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New Ownership For Centre Theatre, Sidney Krautter

By Jaymi Mozeak

Centre Theatre has changed ownership, again. This time the owners are a little more local than before. Joe Kessel owned the

Centre theatre in Sidney for 12 1/2 years. Kessel purchased it in 2010 and hired Sharisse Slade to manage it while he and his wife ran their theaters and bowling alley in Glendive, where they live. Now, Kessel is reaching retirement age and was not able to put the time into the theater that the business needed. Kessel sold Centre theatre to Javier Morales, Fairview. He and his wife, Verónica, and their children moved to the area from a small town in Michoacán, Mexico in 2017 for a job in Williston. They moved to Fairview in 2019. Morales also owns Morales Construction. Kessel said, "I'm excited for the family. Hopefully, now the theater will see some big changes and continue to be supported like it always has been."

Centre Theater needs a lot of repairs, updates, and things that need to be replaced. Morales said, "The first time we came to the theater it felt like it needed Morales' purchase and if

renovations." The signage on the front of the building is old and damaged. The indoor concession signs are long overdue for an update, as well. According to the TikTok reel on Centre Theatre's Facebook page, the seats are outdated and a few are missing. On top of that, Morales bought the business on Wednesday, Jan. 25. That night, the popcorn machine broke down. Morales said, "Special thanks to Mr. Slade for coming out late last minute. I would have not gotten the popcorn machine going without him." The next Friday the turning mechanism broke and burned the last batch of the night. Both times Morales was able to fix it, but it is old and has already proven itself unreliable. The couple holds the indoor signage, seats, and popcorn machine as the highest priority but they want to do more. They want to update the store front and replace the tin but do not want to lose the character. Within a few months, they would also like to offer movies for the Latino community. The former location of Big Sky Bakery came with the



Javier Morales, second from left, is the new owner of Centre Theatre. It is a family affair and his wife, Verónica, second from right, and daughters, pictured lower left to right, Mary, Vanessa, Verénica, and Isabella support him and help with what they can when they can. (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

everything goes right they are even considering turning the space into an arcade. Morales said, "I want to turn the place around and bring life back into the movie theater."

costly. They are attempting

to get as much of the renovations done without closing down the theater during normal business hours. Concession prices will be going up but they want to keep ticket prices low. A fundraising link for the renovations is on Centre Theatre's Facebook page. Morales said, "If someone wants to donate a popcorn machine or chairs, we will put a plaque up to commemorate the donation. Fairview and Sidney have been good to us. We want

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bly was as follows: I went

Instrumental In Return Of Oil **Funds To** Montana Cities & Towns

By Jaymi Mozeak

During the Chamber Banquet on Monday, Jan. 16, Sidney Mayor Rick Norby mentioned we need to thank Joel Krautter for helping get oil funds back.

Norby was talking about HB 656. The bill was brought to the Montana House in the 2019 session to counteract the part of HB 228 that was passed in the 2017 session to divert oil and gas revenue from taxes in counties with oil and gas production and use it for sage grouse stewardship. Krautter was the Montana House District 35 Representative at the time and he brought the bill before the legislature. Krautter said, "It wasn't just me. There were a lot of other people involved. We were working on it way before I brought it before the House." The Montana Petroleum Association and several senators on both sides of the aisle were in support of HB 656. July 1, 2020, was when HB 656 came into effect but cities and towns did not start to see the funds restored until January 2021. The first payment was two quarters' worth. Alan Olson, Montana Petroleum Association executive director said, "Last quarter, \$300,000 went back to communities in oil-producing counties." Krautter said, "We were trying to bring this revenue back to all the cities and towns where the impacts of the oil and gas production were felt." When asked how the residents of Sidney would see these funds Mayor Norby said, "This money right here is more of an essential such as public safety, cushioning areas that we don't want to raise taxes in. It's hard to say 'cause it all comes back to the general fund."

Norby said, "Everyone was surprised when bill 228 passed back in 2017." According to him, before HB 228, Sidney was receiving \$2.5 million per year at the height of the oil boom. Director Olson, said, "I was a representative years ago. I supported a similar bill back around 2003 or 2005 that brought gas and oil funds to the cities and towns affected by production. HB 228 took that away in 2017." Krautter said, "We really need to keep an eye on this or we could lose it again."

Lambert Ghost Out Held Jan. 25

By Robyn Heck

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, Lambert middle and high school students participated in a ghost out. A ghost out is an alcohol and drug awareness program aimed at teenagers because traffic crashes are the number one killer of teens and over 1/3 of teen traffic deaths are alcohol related nationwide. The Richland County Health Department drug-free communities program Director, Jaylea Olson and tobacco education specialist Jacklyn Damm presented this program to the students. The

"Grim Reaper" removed a student from a classroom and brought the student to the ghost out team where they were provided a ghost out T-shirt and black sunglasses, which they wore the rest of the day. They then assisted in writing their own obituary. While this was taking place, the Grim Reaper placed a white wooden cross in the gym with their name on it. The student then returned to class and officer Colton Blue read their obituary to the group. The student was considered dead, and

one for the rest of the day.

Fifteen students were pulled out of class to participate in the ghost out. This number represented about half of the 32 people who die due to a DUI related crash in the United States. At the end of the day, all students met in the gym. The ghost out students were carrying a lit candle. They stood in line while a poem was read about the death of a young girl who died due to a DUI crash. Then the Honorable Ray Trumpower, Fairview, read each students' mock obituary. After the obituary

was not able to talk to any-

Students hold crosses to represent Ghost Out Victims. Visit roundupweb.com for more photos. (Photo by Robyn Heck)

was read, the Grim Reaper came and blew out each student's candle to represent their death. An emergency preparedness panel addressed the students next.

Jeff Kent, Montana Highway Patrol officer told the students that he has participated as an officer in about 40 fatal crashes over the years and explained the details of his job on a crash scene. Yvette Lien, Sidney Health Center ER nurse and Lambert ambulance crew member said, "I don't want you to ever see the demons that I

see in my head because people made bad choices. One bad decision is all it takes. Please, if you ever feel unsafe, call a friend, call your family, even call me!" Officer Blue Richland County Sheriff's Department, said, "You might be nervous about calling your parents for a ride, but I firmly believe they would rather get a call from you to ask them to pick you up rather than get a call from me after you decide to drive and have had an accident." Olson ended the assembly by addressing the students, "If you take anything away from today, let it be this: Everything in your life is a result of your decisions. Learn to recognize your patterns in your choices and how they affect you. Only when you take full responsibility for all of your choices, can you

take charge of your life." The poem read at to a party and remembered what you said, you told me not to drink mom, so I had Sprite instead. I felt proud of myself the way you said I would, I didn't drink and drive-though some of my friends said I should, I made a healthy choice and your advice to me was right, the party finally ended and the kids drove out of sight. I got into my car sure to get home in one piece. I never knew what was coming, Mom, something I expected least. Now I'm lying on the pavement, and I hear the policeman say, the kid that caused this wreck was drunk, Mom, his voice seems so far away. My own blood is all around me, as I try not to cry. I can hear the paramedics say, this girl is going to die. I'm sure the guy had no idea, while he was flying high. Because he chose to drink and drive, now I would have to die. So why do people do it, Mom, knowing that it ruins lives? And now the pain is cutting me, like 100 stabbing knives. Someone should've taught him that it's wrong to drink and drive. Maybe if his parents had, I'd still be alive. My breath is getting shorter, Mom, I'm really getting scared. These are my final moments and I am so unprepared. I wish that you could hold me, Mom, while I lie here and die. To say these final words, Mom, I love you and goodbye. "Even if today's assembly only saves one life, today was worth it," said Judge Ray Trumpower."





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Sidney: Tues. & Fri., 11:30 a.m., 813 3rd St. NE,

406-433-8077

Savage: Thurs., 12 p.m., 178 E Main St.,

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Lambert: Tues., 12 p.m., Fox Lake Sr. Center,

406-774-3439

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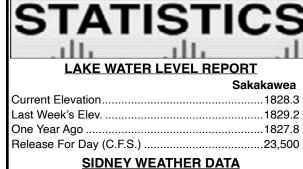
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Sidney: Cards Thurs., 1 p.m.; 813 3rd St. NE, 406-433-8077

Lambert: Cards, Tues., 1 p.m.; Fox Lake Sr. Center, 406-774-3439

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1-4 p.m.; Thurs., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; & Fri., 9 a.m.-12 p.m. of each month



SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Fastern Agricultural Research Center

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Date		High	Low	Precip.
Jan.	23	33	20	0.007
Jan.	24	32	19	0.013
Jan.	25	39	18	0.016
Jan.	26	29	6	0.005
Jan.	27	6	- 5	0.012
Jan.	28	0	10	0.007
Jan.	29	8	12	0.006
Total 2	2022 Y	TD Precipitation	0.182	

OBITUARIES

Katy Wahlstrom, 89 Alexander, ND most recently of Watford City, ND

Katy Wahlstrom, 89, Alexander, ND most recently of Watford City, ND, went to meet her heavenly father on Saturday morning, Jan.

In keeping with Katy's wishes, cremation has taken place under the care of Everson-Coughlin Funeral Home, Williston, ND, and her ashes will be spread on the family farm at a later date. No funeral service will be held. In lieu of flowers



Katy Wahlstrom

please donate to a charity of your choice. Katy was born to parents Henry and Molly (Meyer) Buxbaum on Dec. 22, 1933, in Bayard, NE. Her family moved to Sidney, MT in 1935 where she was raised on a farm south of Sidney. She attended school in Sidney and as a teenager worked at Sidney Locker and Creamery and later at B & W Variety Store.

On June 15, 1952, she was united in marriage to John Wahlstrom, Alexander, ND, at the Ebenezer Congregational Church, Sidney, MT. They made farming and ranching their lifelong career northwest of Alexander in Charbon Township, where John was raised. In 1956, they built a new home in which their five children: Rodney, Renae, Mark, Lynette and Craig were raised and helped them build their farmstead.

Katy was a very hard worker doing all household chores and working beside John on all farm and ranch jobs. She raised a garden, planted beautiful flower beds, and tended to the yard. She was an excellent cook...roasts, broiled steaks, and her famous hamburgers with toasted buns that everyone loved. Also, several rich German foods that her mother had taught her to make. She always liked to have her hair and nails done, right up until the end! She loved clothes and to dress in the current styles and school shopping for us kids was always a highlight for Mom!

Katy was a member of St. Olaf Lutheran Church, Elk Township, where she made sure the whole family attended. When the country church closed, she then attended Trinity Lutheran Church, Alexander, ND. She volunteered for many years for the American Cancer Society, collecting donations from Charbon Township.

Katy had a great sense of humor and wit and loved to laugh or "bust a gut" as she called it. She loved listening to country music, dancing to polkas and waltzes and watching Lawrence Welk or the RFD channel in later years.

Katy and John went on fall bus tours to the New England States, Nashville, and many trips to Montana and Canada for cattle sales.

In November 2019, Mom moved into the Good Shepherd Home, Watford City, ND due to health issues. Our family would like to thank the Good Shepherd Home and the McKenzie County Healthcare Systems' doctors, nurses, CNAs, and all other workers for the care that Mom received during her stay.

Katy is survived by husband: John Wahlstrom, children: Rodney Wahlstrom, Renae Riggins, Lynette (Kurt) Stoner, Craig (Denise) Wahlstrom; grandchildren: Chase (Tiffany) Wahlstrom, Zack and Kaylee Wahlstrom, J.L. (Holly) Riggins, Shane (Abrianna) Wahlstrom, Quinn Wahlstrom, Garrett (Rachel) Stoner, Abby Stoner, Cameron (Lacy) Wahlstrom, Sheldon (Jenna) Wahlstrom; great-grandchildren: Connor and Sophie Wahlstrom, Kennedy and Cannon Riggins, Navy and Graham Wahlstrom, Reese and Porter Wahlstrom, and Axel Wahlstrom. Sister: Mollie Asmus, Torrington, WY; sister-in-law: Anna Remsburg, Williston, ND and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Henry and Molly Buxbaum, her in-laws, Axel and Mabel Wahlstrom, son: Mark Wahlstrom, grandson: Jamison Wahlstrom, her brothers: Henry, Harold and Richard Buxbaum, sisters-inlaw: Lila and Luella Buxbaum, Mary Nelsen and Lilian Olson, brother-in-laws: Alvin Remsburg, Irvin Asmus and Harry Nelsen, nephews: Dennis, Fred and Jeff Buxbaum, nieces: Donna and Debbie Buxbaum.

Friends are welcome to visit www.eversoncoughlin. com to share memories of Katy or leave condolences for

Families & Legacies: **Challenging Decisions**

Estate Planning Workshops To Be Held Feb. 7-8

MSU Extension Family Economics Specialist Dr. Marsha Goetting will be offering estate planning workshops in Roosevelt, Daniels, Sheridan, and Richland counties. If you think estate planning is a boring topic, then you haven't been to one of Marsha Goetting's educational sessions. She has a reputation for her ability to make presentations interesting and useful to participants. She will keep you actively involved by having you answer questions with a response clicker. For example, if a widow dies without a written will and has two children that proceeded her in death, what fraction do the grandchildren receive, if any? Suppose a husband dies first in an accident and the wife dies three days later? If they don't have a written will or children, whose relatives receive the property?

Plan to attend one of the following sessions:

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 10 a.m., RC Complex Meeting Room, 307 Broadway, Culbertson

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 5:30 p.m., Nemont Friendship Room, 61 Hwy 13 S., Scobey Wednesday, Feb. 8, 10 a.m., Cousins Family Restau-

rant, 118 S. Main St., Plentywood Wednesday, Feb. 8, 6 p.m., Meadowlark Upstairs

Room, 117 S. Central Ave., Sidney You will also discover how title to property has an impact on who receives it when you pass away. You will learn when a will or trust has control over your property and when neither one does. You will find out how you can avoid probate with payable on death (POD) designations, transfer on death (TOD) registrations and transfer on death deed (TODD) for an interest in Montana real property to one or more designated beneficiaries. She will also highlight two Montana statutes that allow you to save money on your state income taxes. Don't miss this opportunity to attend a presentation

that is not only enlightening, but also fun! The meetings are being sponsored by MSU Extension in Roosevelt, Daniels, Sheridan, and Richland counties, the Montana Community Foundation, and local Community

For more information, contact your local MSU Extension office. Roosevelt, 406-787-5312; Daniels, 406-478-2861;

Sheridan, 406-765-3406; and Richland, 406-433-1206.

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT. Wed., Feb. 1

WAM Exhibition - Phyllis Sederquest Art Exhibition Phyllis is a self-taught artist & likes painting a variety of subjects & using different mediums. On display through Feb. 4. - CoFlourish: Art Resiliency **Exhibition** - Traveling exhibition of artworks created during the pandemic. On display through April 1.- Feb. 7-April 1: Legendary Landscapes by Dawson Shafer

· Featuring works that depict the scenery & life in North Dakota. - MonDak Heritage Center, Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. For more info call 406-433-3500, e-mail mdhc@richland.org. Thurs., Feb. 9

10 a.m. - Partnership For Promise Coalition Meeting - Everyone welcome. Boys & Girls Club. For more info visit the Partnership For Promise Facebook page. Meetings are held the 2nd Thurs. of each month. 11:30 a.m. - Richland Red Hatters Lunch Meeting -Sidney Country Club. To RSVP call Margaret, 406-488-4613 or Paula, 406-488-1253 leave a message. Fri., Feb. 10

7 p.m. - 2022-23 Big Sky Concert Series - A Band Called Honalee - A musically accomplished, interactive, & energetic trio. MonDak Heritage Center. Individual tickets can be purchased for \$20/adult, \$18/Sr and \$15/ student. For concert info contact the MonDak Heritage Center at 406-433-3500, Leann Pelvit 406-480-5594, or Jill Wagner 406-489-4304. Sat., Feb. 11

7 p.m. - The MonDak Heritage Center Celebrating Chocolate - Enjoy an evening of food, chocolate & 60 & 70's era music. \$50 for members, \$60 for not yet members. (Must be 21+ to attend) MonDak Heritage Center, For more info call 406-433-3500, e-mail mdhc@ richland.org.

McKenzie County

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT. Thurs., Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. - Story Time - A craft is provided to each child for the event. McKenzie County Library.

Tues., Feb. 7, 5-7 p.m.; Feb. 21, 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 FB page for dates, times & updates.

Thurs., Feb. 9 6:30 p.m. - Silent Auction & Benefit Concert Featuring Aly & The Transtroms - Christian/Country music & Hymns. WCHS Auditorium. All Proceeds to: Feed My Starving Children - Watford City MobilePack. Sat., Feb. 11

1-5 p.m. - Nerf Wars - Ages 6 & up, \$5 person. Bring your own gun, ammo will be provided. A limited number of Nerf guns available. Pre-registration available as well as day of registration. Rough Rider Center. Tues., Feb. 14

11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - Soil Health Summit Presented by McKenzie County Soil Conservation District - Featuring Shane New (stockman, entrepreneur & partner with Understanding Ag, LLC) & Burke Teichert (grazing land consultant with Understanding Ag, LLC). Lunch will be provided, no registration fee to attend. RSVP by Feb. 7, 701-842-3628 ext. 3. Rough Rider

Center. Thurs.. Feb. 16

2-4 p.m. - Food Giveaway - First Presbyterian Church,

316 4th Ave. NE.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT.

5:30 p.m. - All Fur Love MonDak Animal Rescue Fundraiser - Dinner, silent auction, live auction, live entertainment from Josey & The Whalers. Something new this year People's Choice Award For Best Decorated Cake. Submit your entry with your business card by Feb. 4. All cakes will be auctioned off at the live auction. Grand Williston Hotel & Conference Center. For more info or to get tickets call 701-577-7387. Sun., Feb. 5

2 p.m. - History & Nature Lecture Series - "Helping Out The Boys," a brief look at the U.S. Sanitary Commission with hands-on instruction for making a bed tick and/or a pillow tick similar to those from the 1860s. Request a materials list by calling 701-572-9034. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center.

Mon., Feb. 6 & Tues., Feb. 7 12-6 p.m. - Battle Of The Badges Blood Drive Williston Police Dept. vs. Williston Fire Dept. - Open to anyone able to donate blood. Each donor will receive 1 vote toward police or fire. The 2 departments will also be hosting a tug-o-war during the event. National Guard New Armory. To schedule and appointment, call Teresa at 701-609-4110.

Fri., Feb. 10

6-8 p.m. - **Mom Son Date Night** - Ages 2+. Come dance the night away, along with food, drinks, selfie station, photos & games. New this year, a Grand March Raymond Family Community Center. Tickets are \$40 a couple, \$20 siblings. Register at www.willistonparks.

Sat., Feb. 11

Daddy Daughter Dance - 1-3 p.m.- Butterfly Ball (Ages 2-6) - 5-8 p.m. Princess Premiere (Ages 5-12) - Food, Grand March, dancing. Raymond Family Community Center. Butterfly ball tickets: \$40 couple, \$20 siblings. Princess Premiere tickets: \$50 couple, \$25 siblings. Register at www.willistonparks.com.

7-11 p.m. - Death By Chocolate Fundraiser -Showcaseing chocolate dessert samples from at least 15 local chefs & restaurants. Event is 21+ with a cash bar available. Silent auction for full size desserts & more! James Memorial Art Center. Tickets available for purchase at TrainND Northwest, \$100/couple or \$60/ single. For more info contact Tara Erickstad at 701-580-9367 or tara.erickstad@willistonstate.edu. Proceeds will benefit the TrainND Foundation Scholarship Program. Thurs., Feb. 16

7 p.m. - History Book Club - Join other history buffs to vote on book choices for March-June. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. For more info call 701-572-9034.

Sat., Feb. 18

9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - 19th Century Sewing, Textile Arts, and Projects, Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. For more info, call 701-572-9034. 2-4 p.m. - Historical Game Day at Fort Buford

Barracks - Participate in games that may have been played at the fort long ago. Fort Buford State Historic . Site. For more info, call 701-572-9034.

DAWSON COUNTY

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Sat., Feb. 4

5:30-9 p.m. - Glendive Ducks Unlimited Banquet -Gunners Ridge at the Elks Club For more info contact Glendive: MT0009@ducks.org or visit https://www. fieldpost.com/eventdetail/glendive-ducks-unlimited-

banquet/27588/.

Sat., Feb. 18 5-10 p.m. - Badlands Bruisers Chapter Banquet -EPEC, 313 S. Merrill Ave. For more info contact Chris Fortune, 406-360-1020 or chris@muledeer.org.

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Sidney Area Chamber Of Commerce Welcomes New Financial Advisor



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

Executive Director The Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes a new Edward Jones Financial Advisor to Sidney. Jace Johnson will work alongside Lauren Sukut for two years then will continue serving investors throughout the area from his branch office. Johnson recently returned to Sidney after obtaining his Bachelor of Business Admin-

istration degree with majors in finance and accounting along with an Accounting Technician Certificate from Dickinson State University.

Along with his education, Johnson comes with experience from working within the Edward Jones corporation prior to becoming a financial advisor.

As a financial advisor, Johnson states his mission is to partner with clients to build personally tailored strategies to fit their unique financial needs and goals.

"Understanding what is important to clients," Johnson says, helps me utilize different strategies to help clients toward their retirement, protection, or legacy goals.

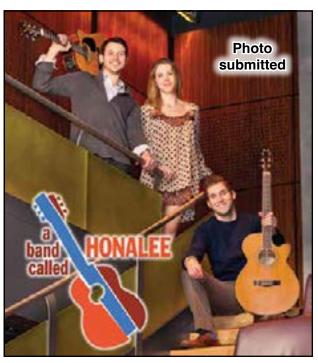
Johnson is a lifetime local and is happy to be back in Sidney with his fiancée Kylee and their dog, Archer.

Jace Johnson, Edward Jones Financial Advisor can be located at 141 7th St. SW, Sidney or by phone at 406-433-7980.

Northeastern Arts Network Concert Feb. 10 Featuring "A BAND CALLED HONALEE"

Submitted by Jill Dostert Wagner. Pres. Northeastern Arts Network

The Northeastern Arts Network presents a modern-day folk trio inspired by the music and legacy of Peter, Paul & Mary. Join us for "A BAND CALLED HONALEE" on Friday, Feb. 10. "A BAND CALLED HO-NALEE" is a musically accomplished, interactive, and energetic trio, their shows allow audiences to experience this timeless music live onstage once again. The group believes the melodies and messages of the 1960s folk and folk/rock era are just as relevant today as they were when they were first sung, perhaps even more so. Their mission is to share this uniquely American music with new audiences while rekindling the passion of lifelong fans. With virtuosic musicianship, stirring vocal harmonies and polished showmanship, "A BAND CALLED HONALEE" also offers favorites from Bob Dylan, The Byrds, Pete Seeger, Joni Mitchell, The Mamas & The Papas, Joan



Baez, The Weavers, Judy Collins, and many others.

This concert will be held at the MonDak Heritage Center at 7 p.m. Individual tickets can be purchased for \$20/adult, \$18/Sr and \$15/ student. For concert information contact the MonDak Heritage Center at 406-433-3500, Leann Pelvit 406-480-5594, or Jill Wagner

406-489-4304.

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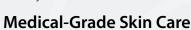
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Earl School District #18 School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Accepting bids from Feb 1 to March 3, 2023. By order of the Earl School

District #18 School Board Darnell Wersland, Earl School

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IN THE MATTER OF THE **ESTATE OF** MELVIN A. YARLOTT,

RICHLAND COUNTY

Deceased. Probate No. DP-42-2023-

0000009-FI **NOTICE OF HEARING** OF PETITION FOR **ADJUDICATION** OF INTESTACY. **DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, APPOINTMENT**

OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND FOR UNSUPERVISED **ADMINISTRATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BRENT L. KALLEVIG has filed in the above Court and cause a Petition for adjudication of intestacy, determination of heirs, and the appointment of BRENT L. KALLEVIG as Personal Representative and for unsupervised administration of said estate. For further information, the Petition, as filed, may be examined in the

Court.

office of the clerk of the above

Hearing upon said Petition

will be in said Court at the courtroom in the courthouse at Sidney, Montana on the 7th day of March, 2023, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m., at which time all interested persons may appear and object.

Dated this 25th day of January, BRENT L. KALLEVIG, Petitioner

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Representative MONTANA SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT,

RICHLAND COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE **ESTATE OF** DOREEN BARBARA YARLOTT,

Probate No. DP-42-2023-

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NOTICE OF HEARING

ON PETITION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN; that Petitioner Brent L. Kallevig, has filed herein his Petition for formal probate of will, determination of testacy and heirs, and appointment of personal representative and for unsupervised administration Hearing upon said Petition will be in said court at the courtroom in the courthouse at Sidney, Montana on the 7th day of March, 2023, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m., at which time all interested persons may appear and object.

Dated this 25th day of January,

BRENT L. KALLEVIG, Petitioner

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Abandoned Car Auction Notice The Fairview Police Department is holding a sealed bid vehicle

auction from 1/9/23 to 2/9/23. Vehicles are sold "as is" and all sales are final. Vehicles are in an Unknown condition with no keys. Vehicles have been acquired from being abandoned on city streets.

Current registered owners have been contacted via mail and do not want their vehicle(s). A list of the current vehicles that

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- 1. 2000 Honda Odyssey
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- 6. 1997 Mercury Mountaineer 7. 1977 ITAS Motor Home (Title In Hand)

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Please seal your bid inside a separate envelope with the vehicle description you are hidding on.

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FAIRVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT #3 & #13 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: Fairview School District #3 & #13, Fairview, Montana, (Owner) has determined that an "Alternative Project Delivery Contract" is justified for upgrading the cafeteria and relocating concession area of Fairview School, Fairview. Montana. in that the project presents significant schedule ramifications that make it necessary to meet critical deadlines by shortening the duration of construction by means of less or a shorter duration of disruption to the public facility and the design process will contribute to significant cost savings The process will involve the following:

PHASE ONE: General Contractors will submit a "Contractor Qualifications Questionnaire" (CQQ) for review under the "General Contractor Construction Management" method of project delivery. The project team will review qualifications, references and contractor mark-up as needed to select contractors qualified for Phase Two. PHASE TWO: The project team

will interview qualified General Contractors and score them based on a combination of Phase One CQQ, answers to interview questions, and other information learned during the interview. Based on the project team's scoring, a preferred General Contractor will be selected for Phase Three.

PHASE THREE: Based on a completed set of bid documents by Interstate Engineering with input from the preferred General Contractor, the preferred General Contractor will then propose a Guaranteed Maximum Price including schedule and proposed list of subcontractors for evaluation by the project team. After review and negotiations, a recommendation for final contract will be submitted to the Owner for approval.

DOCUMENTS: The Contractor Qualifications Questionnaire (CQQ) and design drawings for the cafeteria/concession project may be examined and/ or obtained at the office of the CMAR Administrative Service Provider, Interstate Engineering, 2177 Lincoln Avenue SE Sidney, MT 59270, phone 406-433-5617. One set of design drawings may be obtained for reference during Phase One and returned at the conclusion

of Phase Two **DUE DATES:** CQQ's from interested general contractors must be returned to the District Clerk no later than February 13. 2023. A list of contractors that submitted CQQ's for consideration, as well as those selected for Phase Two interviews will be available February 17, 2023. Interviews will be scheduled and held on February 21, 2023, to select a preferred General Contractor **EXPERIENCE**: All submitting contractors accept and understand that experience in public school construction will be important in the selection. Applicant will demonstrate a minimum bonding capacity of two (2) million. Montana standard prevailing wage rates

BY ORDER OF: Board of Trustees. Fairview School District #3 & #13, 713 South Western Ave., Fairview, MT 59221. Brad Tveit, Chairman. DATED this 17th day of January, Julie Asbeck, District Clerk

will be followed.

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DISTRICT COURT,

RICHLAND COUNTY

Probate No. DP-42-2023-0000002-IT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the abovenamed estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be mailed to KRISTINE A. EMMEL, C/O ARMSTRONG LAW OFFICE, P.C. return receipt requested, at P.O. Box 1327, Sidney, Montana

59270, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. I DECLARE, under penalty of perjury and under the Laws of the State of Montana, that the foregoing is true and correct. Dated this 3rd day of January, 2023, at Clearbrook, Minnesota, KRISTINE A EMMEL Personal

Representative of the Estate of Glenn Ivan Levno, deceased.

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Attorney for Personal Representative MONTANA SEVENTH **JUDICIAL**

DISTRICT COURT, RICHLAND COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOAN E.

LEVNO, Deceased.

Probate No. DP-42-2023-0000003-IT

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I DECLARE, under penalty of perjury and under the Laws of the State of Montana, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this 3rd day of January, 2023, at Clearbrook, Minnesota.

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Sidney Hosts Class A Speech, Debate & Drama State Meet For First Time Since 1993

By Jaymi Mozeak

Sidney Public Schools was honored to host the Montana Class A Speech, Debate, and Drama State Meet for the first time since 1993 on Jan. 27 and 28. The Debate and Drama rounds were held at Sidney Middle School while speech, finals, and awards ceremony were held at Sidney High School.

There were 22 different teams comprising 280-300 students from across the state who came to compete. Sidney placed 3rd overall.

Drama Team Results: Dramatic Solo: 1st Emma Cundiff; Humorous Solo: 3rd Cedar Hovde, 4th Jayce Morgan; Pantomime: 5th Emma Pust, 8th Kylie Burnison; Dramatic Theatre: 7th Brooke Marie Watson and Whisper Enriquez; Original Oratory: 8th Colten Dahl.

The season is over for Speech, Debate, and Drama



Emma Cundiff 1st place dramatic solo. (Photo submitted)

until the beginning of October. There will be a play in the spring for the students to participate in. Gail Staffanson, speech coach, Hunter Gordon, debate coach, and Christy Pierce, drama coach, wanted to thank the Sidney High School and Middle School administra-



Front, Josie Simonsen, Emma Cundiff, Brooke Marie Watson, Cayla Hanson, Emma Pust and Cedar Hovde; second row, Noah Thiel, Mackeijan Gonzalez, Audrey Oprica and Thaylan Fisher, third row: Kyle Pust, Jayce Morgan, Ivy Cross, Colten Dahl, Kenny Damm and Whisper Enriquiz. (Photo by **Christy Pierce)**

tion, principals, and staff for allowing the meet to take place. They also want to thank the custodians, Booster club, and hospitality for showing Sidney at its best. The bus drivers for getting the competitors safely where

they needed to go, and the table workers, judges, and coaches for helping to make the event possible.

Startstruck Mandan Meet Results For Sidney Gymnastics Competitive Team

The Sidney Gymnastics team competed on Sunday. Jan. 22 in Mandan.

Scores are as follow for Level 3 gymnasts:

Brantlee Hanson: Vault 8.700; Uneven Bars 8.400; Balance Beam 6.575; Floor Exercise 7.850; All Around 31.525 Kenzie Koch: Vault 8.950; Uneven Bars 8.000; Balance Beam 8.000; Floor Exercise 7.950; All Around 32.900

Adriene Leintz: Vault 8.850; Uneven Bars 8.600; Balance Beam 7.750; Floor Exercise 7.700; All Around 32.900 Paisley Obergfell: Vault 9.100 (5th T); Uneven Bars 8.500; Balance Beam 8.275; Floor Exercise 8.250; All Around 34,125

Aspyn Sorteberg: Vault 8.800; Uneven Bars 7.700; Balance Beam 7.825; Floor Exercise 8.050; All Around 32.375 Kleyo Zoanni: Vault 8.450; Uneven Bars 8.100; Balance Beam 8.650; Floor Exercise 8.500; All Around 33.700

Level 4 Teams placed 4th overall as a Team. Gymnasts scores as follows:

Camryn Franck Vault 8.150; Uneven Bars 6.100; Balance Beam 8.000; Floor Exercise 8.350; All Around 30.600 Malia Larson Vault 8.400 (5th); Uneven Bars 7.500; Balance Beam 8.025; Floor Exercise 8.450; All Around 32.375 Averi Riedel Vault 8.300; Uneven Bars 9.150 (1st);

Balance Beam 7.675; Floor Exercise 8.350; All Around Myra Wieland: Vault 8.000; Uneven Bars 6.700; Balance Beam 9.125 (1st); Floor Exercise 9.100 (1st); All Around

The coaches are Melanie Morrill and Rachelle Ellis. The next meet was Saturday, Jan. 28, Billings.



Level 4 team medals and placement, from left, Averi Riedel, Myra Wieland, Camryn Franck and Malia Larson. (Photo submitted)

Fairview Basketball Action



Fairview traveled to Culbertson on Jan. 28. The boys won 65-43 and the girls lost 31-51. Pictured above: Wyatt McPherson rushes past Culbertson's Payton Perkins to make a layup after grabbing a loose ball from Culbertson. (Photo by Keri **McPherson Photography)**





Rangers and Oilers **Face Off In** Watford City

Left: Watford City's Rhylan Olson #5 scores against Sidney's goalie in Friday night's Jr Gold game. The game was a back and forth battle between the Rangers and the Oilers but at the end of the night, the Rangers came up on top with a 7-5 win over the Oilers. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)



Fairview traveled to Medicine Lake to play Medicine Lake/Froid Redhawks. The boys won 51-41 and the girls lost 42-54. (Photo by Keri McPherson Photography)



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Reinke Recognizes Mon-Kota With Dealer Award

(Deshler, NE.) - Reinke Manufacturing, a global leader in irrigation systems and precision irrigation technology, has recognized Mon-Kota in Fairview with a Reinke Diamond Pride award for their performance in the last year.

"Reinke is honored to work with Mon-Kota to help them serve the growers in their areas," said Chris Roth, Reinke president. "We're proud to award their efforts and we appreciate their dedication as we continue to develop and implement precision irrigation equipment and technology to help growers increase yields and profitability."

Reinke dealerships from

across the United States and Canada come together annually for the company's sales convention to recognize select Reinke dealers for their hard work and commitment to serve growers. The Reinke Pride awards are determined as part of an incentive program that distinguishes superior achievement levels according to an evaluation based on a dealership's exterior and interior housekeeping and maintenance, indoor and outdoor displays, safety, retail environment, merchandising, professionalism, promotions, event participation and market share.

With hundreds of dealers in more than 40 countries, Reinke Manufacturing is the world's largest privately held manufacturer of center pivot and lateral move irrigation systems. Family owned since 1954 and headquartered in Deshler, NE, Reinke develops products and technology designed to increase agriculture production while providing labor savings and

environmental efficiencies. Reinke is a continued leader in industry advancements as the first to incorporate GPS, satellite-based communications, and touchscreen panel capabilities into mechanized irrigation system management. For more information on Reinke or to locate a dealership, visit Reinke.com.

Richland County Detention Center Acquires Body Scanners

Submitted by John K. Dynneson, **Richland County Sheriff**

The Richland County Detention Center recently acquired a high security body scanning system. The system is one of many located in Detention Centers across the State of Montana and across the nation.

This scanner is built in the USA and is compliant with FDA standards for security screenings. The scanner uses about 1% the x-ray level of a medical exam.

In less than 4 seconds the scanner can detect threats concealed under clothing or inside body cavities. The scanner can reveal weapons, drugs, cell phones and other contraband often times smuggled into a detention setting.

At the time of the purchase, Richland County staff were trained by a medically certified radiology professional not only how to operate the scanner but also how to read body scan images so they can quickly locate and identify what may be contraband.

This technology is an asset to our ability to ensure our detention center is safe and secure. It also provides staff the confidence that they have not missed something in a simple pat-down search of an inmate and can avoid other types of searches that have become an unacceptable practice.

The detention staff and myself are grateful to the Richland County Commissioners for their sincere consideration, commitment and the support to purchase this equipment and technology.



MFU Scholarships Available

Great Falls - Applications are now open for several Montana Farmers Union scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 each.

The annual scholarships are offered through MFU as part of the organization's commitment to education and include the Bud Daniels Memorial Scholarship, the John Korsbeck Memorial Scholarship, and the Cascade County-wide Farmers Union Local, Chouteau County Farmers Union Local and Flathead County-wide Farmers Union Local scholarships.

"Investing in education to enhance life for the individual and for the benefit of civil society is foundational to the Farmers Union mission and reflects our commitment to cooperative principles," said Eric Bergman, Cascade County-wide local president.

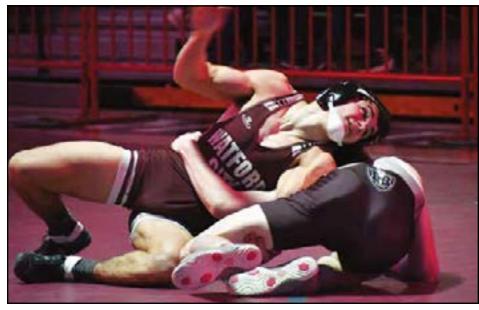
The scholarships are available to students throughout their collegiate careers. Current college students and high school seniors are encouraged to apply.

Montana Farmers Union members also can apply for the Stanley Moore Scholarship, a \$1,500 scholarship offered by the Farmers Union Industries Foundation, and scholarships through National Farmers Union Foundation, ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,000. Applications for NFU scholarships are open through April 1 and available at nfu.org/education/ scholarships/.

Students have until March 15 to submit their applications for the MFU scholarships.

More information about the scholarships, as well as links to the applications, can be found at montanafarmersunion. com/education/scholarships-grants/.

Watford City Wrestling Action



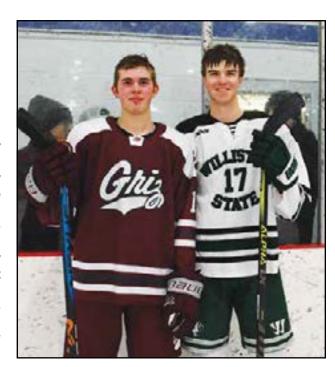
Watford Wrestler Ethan Dennis gets a reversal on Devin Halverson, Bismarck High in the 145 lb. weight class on Jan 27. Dennis won 10-5.

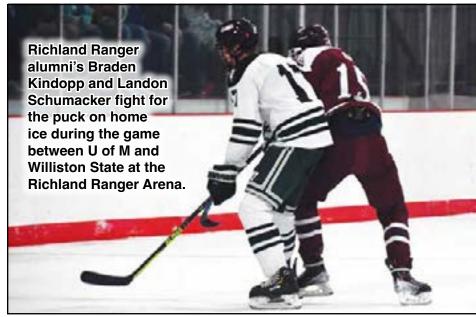


Watford City Senior Nivon Hayes scores a takedown against his opponent Sam Larson, Bismarck High in the 285 lb. weight class. Hayes won by pin. Watford City lost to Bismarck 9-70 on Jan 27.

Sidney Alumni Play at Ranger **Arena**

Landon Schumacker (left) is a Richland Ranger alumni who now plays for the Griz at the University of Montana. **Braden Kindopp (right)** is also a Richland Ranger alumni who now plays for the Tetons at Williston State College. The Tetons won 5-3 against the Griz on Jan 28. (Picture by Bethany Wells)





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VFW Post & Auxiliary Distribute \$1,400 In Awards For Essay Competitions

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, representatives of the VFW Post 4099 and Auxiliary presented awards to area students for their submissions to the Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen writing competitions.

"Established in 1947, our Voice of Democracy audio-essay program provides high school students with the unique opportunity to express themselves in regards to a democratic and patriotic-themed recorded essay. Each year, nearly 25,000 9-12 grade students from across the country enter to win their share of more than \$2 million in educational scholarships and incentives awarded through the program." (www.vfw.org)

This year's theme is "Why is the Veteran Important" and the local winner was Sidney High School

senior Burton Pollari. In addition, his winning essay placed third in the state of Montana. For his efforts, Burton is awarded \$500 for the third-place finish plus \$100 each from the local VFW Post and Auxiliary for a total award of \$700.

Other local students receiving awards for participating in the Voice of

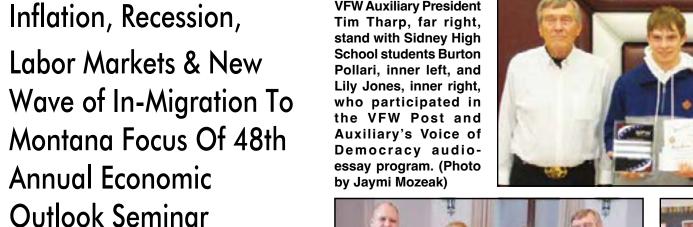
Right: VFW 4099 Post Commander Bill Henderson, far left, and **VFW Auxiliary President** Democracy were Lily Jones, Sidney High School, Taylor McPherson, Fairview High School and Kirsten Kraft, Liberty Christian School. Each of these students was presented with \$50 each from the VFW Post and Auxiliary for a total award of \$100 each.

For the younger students, the VFW has the Patriot's Pen essay contest. "Each year, nearly 68,800 students in grades 6-8 enter the VFW's Patriot's Pen youth essay contest for a chance to win their share of more than \$1.4 million in state and national awards. Each first-place state winner receives a minimum of \$500 at the national level, and the national first place winner wins \$5,000!" (www.vfw.org)

This year's theme is "My Pledge to Our Veterans" and the local winner was

Keira Kraft, Liberty Christian School. Her winning essay also placed second in the state of Montana. For her efforts, Keira is awarded \$200 for the second place finish plus \$100 each from the VFW Post and Auxiliary for a total award of \$400.

Presenting these awards were VFW 4099 Post Commander Bill Henderson and VFW Auxiliary President Tim Tharp.





VFW Auxiliary President Tim Tharp, far left, and VFW 4099 Post Commander Bill Henderson, far right, presented Kirsten Kraft with an award for participating in the Voice of Democracy program and Keira Kraft with an award for winning second place in Montana in the Patriot's Pen contest on Jan. 25 at Liberty Christian School, Sidney. (Photo by Violet Tharp)



VFW Auxiliary President Tim Tharp, far left and VFW 4099 Post Commander Bill Henderson, farm right, presented Taylor McPherson, center, Fairview High School, an award for participating in the Voice of Democracy audio-essay program on Wednesday, Jan. 25. (Photo by Violet Tharp)

Bureau of Business & Economic Research Touring Nine Cities Across the State

Submitted by Shannon Furniss, Marketing Director Bureau of Business and Economic Research University of Montana

Inflation, recession, strained labor markets and a new wave of in-migration to Montana are the focus of the 2023 Economic Outlook Seminar, which launches next week and continues through mid-March in nine Montana cities.

Montana's economy turned in another blistering growth performance in 2022, but the rapid rise of interest rates, the continued pain of raging inflation and falling global commodity prices are shifting the sands beneath the foundation of that strong growth, according to Patrick Barkey, University of Montana Bureau Business and Economic Research director.

"One of the first to feel those changes will be the state's housing industry," Barkey said. Conventional 30-year mortgage rates exceeding 7% have cut the flow of loan applications to a trickle and sent sales of existing homes sharply downward.

"With the winds of economic change all about, the question for Montana increasingly becomes, what kind of recession is in our future? Montana will not escape the slowdown that is now underway," Barkey said.

In addition to an in-depth look at Montana's economy, the seminar also will feature a keynote presentation by Bryce Ward, ABMJ Consulting economist and founder, titled "The Future of Montana: What the New Wave of In-Migration Means for the State."

The COVID-19 pandemic sent plenty of people from congested urban areas around the country to live in places like Montana and other Mountain West states, said Ward, adding that the promise of keeping their jobs in the big city while enjoying the lifestyle of the West has had a powerful

"The pandemic has changed Montana: more people, different people, more expensive housing," Ward said. "In economics jargon, the demand for Montana has increased."

The half-day seminar also will provide expert insights on Montana's largest industries, including real estate, agriculture, wood products, and health care.

Another Montana's industry - tourism - has had a noteworthy year. Paramount Network's "Yellowstone." the popular TV series filmed in Montana, has sparked the interest of a worldwide audience, bringing an estimated 2.1 million visitors and \$730 million in spending to the state in 2021.

"The 'Yellowstone' TV show has demonstrated the power of Montana's American West image to influence people to visit the state," said Melissa Weddell, UM's Institute for Tourism and Recreation Research director. Weddell will present the tourism outlook at the seminar.

The seminar will be held from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. in the following cities:

Butte: Thursday, Feb. 2, NorthWestern General Office Kalispell: Tuesday, Feb. 7, Hilton Garden Inn

Sidney: Tuesday, March 14, MSU Richland County **Extension Office**

Miles City: Wednesday, March 15, Sleep Inn & Suites Webcast streaming live from Bozeman is available in addition to in-person options. Continuing Education credits are offered for both the webcast only and in-person options. For more information and access to the online seminars visit economicoutlookseminar.com or call 406-243-2782. Registration is \$90 and includes lunch.

Established in 1948, the Bureau of Business and Economic Research is the main research unit of the University of Montana's College of Business. BBER researchers engage in a wide range of applied research projects that address different aspects of the state economy, including survey research, economic analysis, health care research, forecasting, wood products research and energy research. For more information visit bber.umt.edu or call 406-243-5113.

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Williston, ND - The public is invited to these upcoming events at Fort Buford and the Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center near Williston. All events are free and open to the public. All times are Central time.

Feb. 5: History and Nature Lecture Series, 2 p.m. "Helping Out The Boys," a brief look at the U.S. Sanitary Commission with hands-on instruction for making a bed tick and/or a pillow tick similar to those from the 1860s. Request a materials list by calling 701-572-9034. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center.

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Feb. 18: 19th Century Sewing, Textile Arts, and Projects, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center.

Feb. 19: Historical Game Day at the Fort Buford Barracks, 2-4 p.m. Participate in games that may have been played at the fort long ago such as cribbage, cards. and checkers. Fort Buford State Historic Site.

For more information, contact Yvette Bachmeier at 701-572-9034. The Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center is part of Fort Buford State Historic Site managed by the State Historical Society of North Dakota. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center hours are Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m-5 p.m. CT; Sunday, 1-5 p.m. CT; and closed

Monday-Tuesday. Fort Buford is currently closed. Find information about upcoming programs of the State Historical Society at history. nd.gov/events.

unch Menus

Sidney School

Thurs., Feb. 2: Cheeseburger, French fries, mixed Fri., Feb. 3: No school.

fredo over pasta, steamed broccoli, peaches. Tues., Feb. 7: Hamburger

gravy over potatoes, green beans, pears, hot rolls. Wed., Feb. 8: Chicken patties on buns, oven wedges, applesauce, gelatin.

Savage School Thurs., Feb. 2: Baked po-

Fri., Feb. 3: No school. Mon., Feb. 6: French dip. Tues., Feb. 7: Chicken wraps.

Wed., Feb. 8: Chicken a

Rau School

Thurs., Feb. 2: Enchiladas, vegetable, fruit, salad bar. Fri., Feb. 3: No school. Mon., Feb. 6: Macaroni & cheese, chicken nuggets, vegetable, fruit, salad bar. Tues., Feb. 7: Meatball subs, vegetable, fruit, salad

Wed., Feb. 8: Fried chicken wraps, vegetable, fruit, salad bar.

Froid School Thurs., Feb. 2: Corn chow-

der soup, turkey sandwiches, fruit. Fri., Feb. 3: Lemon baked

cod, rice pilaf, veggies, fruit. Mon., Feb. 6: Stromboli, chips, veggies, fruit. Tues., Feb. 7: Taco salad,

refried beans, lettuce mix, taco bar, fruit. Wed., Feb. 8: Chicken, mashed potato bowl, bis-

cuits, dessert. **Bainville School** Thurs., Feb. 2: Pulled pork

sandwiches, tater tots, veggies, Normandy pears. Fri., Feb. 3: Goulash, corn,

peaches. Mon., Feb. 6: Popcorn chicken

bowl, mixed fruit. Tues., Feb. 7: Tacos in a bag, toppings bar, mangoes.

Wed., Feb. 8: Turkey pot pies, peas/carrots, mandarin oranges.

Richey School Thurs., Feb. 2: Hamburgers, chips, veggie sticks, cookies.

Fri., Feb. 3: No school. Mon., Feb. 6: Lasagna, cheesy garlic bread, broc-

coli, cookies. Tues., Feb. 7: Soup, breadsticks, veggie sticks. Wed., Feb. 8: Chicken,

waffles, veggie sticks, bars.

Culbertson School Thurs., Feb. 2: Raviolis/ alfredo sauce, garlic bread, green beans.

Fri., Feb. 3: Pizza, salad, pineapple.

Mon., Feb. 6: Chicken sandwiches, sweet potato fries, orange slices. Tues., Feb. 7: Turkey

tetrazzini, mixed veggies, breadsticks.

Wed., Feb. 8: Ham, mashed potatoes, corn.

Lambert School

Thurs., Feb. 2: Hot ham & cheese, fries, fruit, Fri., Feb. 3: Spaghetti, corn, garlic bread, fruit. Mon., Feb. 6: Baked potato

bar, fruit. Tues., Feb. 7: Chicken &

noodles, peas, fruit. Wed., Feb. 8: Finger steaks,

Fairview School

Thurs., Feb. 2: Sloppy joes on buns, French fries, veggie, fruit, fresh garden bar. Fri., Feb. 3: No school. Mon., Feb. 6: Popcorn

chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, veggie, fruit, fresh garden bar. Tues., Feb. 7: Chicken noo-

dle soup, PB & J sammie or tuna salad sammie, veggie, fruit, fresh garden bar. Wed., Feb. 8: Beef stew, biscuits, veggie, fruit, fresh

garden bar. <u>Alexander School</u> Thurs., Feb. 2: Super na-

chos with tortilla chips or Fri., Feb. 3: No school. Mon., Feb. 6: Chicken &

waffles, tots. Tues., Feb. 7: Crispitos with

gravy, rice. Wed., Feb. 8: Hot ham or turkey with cheese, fries.

Watford City School Thurs., Feb. 2: French bread pizza, fruit, fresh veggie. Fri., Feb. 3: Cheeseburg-

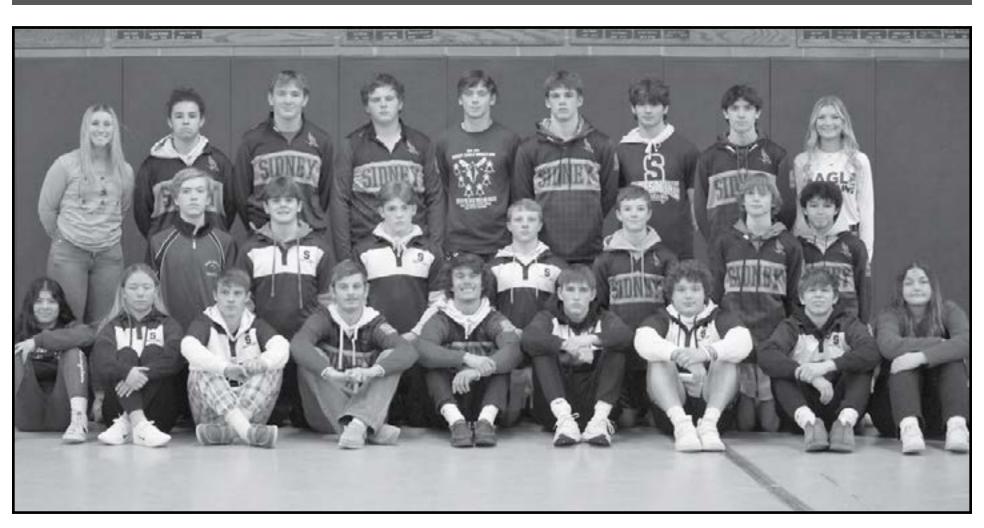
ers, fries. Mon., Feb. 6: Popcorn chicken, tots.

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Sidney Woman Sentenced To 100 Years

By Robyn Heck

On Monday, Jan. 23, Lyndsee Brewer was sentenced to 100 years in the Montana Women's Prison, with 30 years suspended, for the deliberate homicide of Christopher Wetzstein, A year ago last January, Brewer left her Forsyth home, drove to Sidney, and entered Wetzstein's apartment with a key he had entrusted to her. She hid behind his couch for hours, until Wetzstein fell asleep, and then went into his room and shot him in the head. Judge Katherine Bidegaray listened to letters of support from both the prosecution and the defense.

Charity McLarty was the attorney on behalf of the state, and Michael Haase and Hailey Forcella represented the defense. In a tearful statement, Jolene Flannagan, Wetzstein's fiance, said "I want Lindsey Brewer to stop playing the victim. She is a murderer. She robbed the world of a man who made it a better place. Because of her, one of the good ones are gone. and the world needs more good ones." Ron Watson

provided a letter explaining that he raised Wetzstein and was a very "proud Dad." Heather Troxell explained her hearthreak. She considered Brewer and Wetzstein to be like family. "I lost both of my parental figures in one day. I don't know how to heal. I don't understand how you could've shot him while he slept." Brenda Wood, sister of the deceased, explained that Brewer and Wetzstein had a 30-year friendship that started in high school. "She made a choice, and she deserves the harshest punishment for this awful crime." Nakita Roberts asked Brewer, "Why would you take this man away from us?" Even though the defense objected, Judge Bidegaray allowed McLarty to show a video depicting Brewer's premeditation.

The video showed Brewer at a Forsyth gas station, filling her car, going in and paying cash, returning to her car, and crouching between the gas pumps and her vehicle to fill 2 gas cans with fuel before returning to the gas station again to pay with cash. She drove to Sidney and is shown walking

up the steps to Wetzstein's

apartment at 6:52 p.m. She is shown wearing a hooded sweatshirt, hat and mask. Wetzstein entered the apartment building at 7:25 p.m. At 11:23 p.m. Brewer can be seen walking down the stairs wearing a different pair of pants. She also had something inside of her coat or hooded sweatshirt. For four hours and 31 minutes Brewer hid in her victim's apartment. The video showed Brewer leaving Sidney, as captured on various surveillance cameras, and stopping at a business in Billings the next day like nothing was wrong.

Brewer worked for Wetzstein for over 10 years, and there is evidence to show she may have been stealing from his business. The defense then shared their letters of support. Stephen Frost, the defendant's son, stated: "My mother has always lifted up everyone around her, while expecting nothing in return". He also spoke of how his mother had started a Bible study when she was hospitalized after Wetzstein's homicide. Jennifer Gardner is a retired bank officer from Forsyth and has known Brewer for 10 years. "I understand the severity of these charges, but I am writing a character reference for Lindsey Brewer. "Ashley Ford concluded the supporting statements by saying she has never even heard Lindsay Brewer raise her voice. "She is an amazing grandmother to my son." Brewer then addressed the court, showing her first emotion of the afternoon. Tearfully she read, "I have so much to live for, and I would never purposely remove myself from the lives of my grandchildren." Before sentencing, Judge Bidegaray explained to Brewer that, although she changed her plea to guilty and saved the state the time and cost of a trial, she never gave a reason for her anger at Wetzstein and has given the family no answers and no closure. She also explained how Brewer in her statements said "I do not dispute the evidence.", but did not take responsibility for the crime.

The state asked the court to impose a sentence of 100 years with 30 suspended and no parole re-



District Court Judge Katherine Bidegaray announces the sentence of 100 years with 30 years suspended for Lyndsee Brewer on Jan. 23.

striction. The defense asked the court to impose a sentence of 40 years and no parole restriction. Wetzstein's family asked the court for the maximum sentence, which is 100 years or life, with no eligibility for parole. Judge Bidegaray declined to impose the more lenient sentence the defense requested because the defendant lie in wait, which is one of the few aggravating circumstances listed in Montana law. Bidegaray also did not impose the maximum sentence the family desired because

of mitigating circumstances. First, Brewer pleaded guilty, sparing the state of an expensive lengthy trial, and more importantly, sparing Wetzstein's family and friends the added emotional trauma of sitting through a trial. Second, Brewer had no prior criminal history. When pronouncing the sentence Judge Bidegaray stated, "You had 7 1/2 hours to listen to the voice of reason that those speaking in support of you today say you have, and never in that time did it surface."

Energy Roundup

Williams County Issues Loan To Cerilon GTL ND As Development Plans Advance

Williston, N.D., (Jan, 17) - The Williams County Board of County Commissioners have approved a loan of \$10 million to Cerilon GTL ND for the purchase of land in the Marley Crossing area to construct a 24,000 barrel per day Gas-to-Liquids (GTL) plant with carbon capture and sequestration as a key component.

The loan carries a 2.5% simple interest rate to be paid annually, which must be paid back within four

years. The loan is secured by the property that is being purchased as well as farm and water leases. Additional collateral for the loan will include an existing land purchase agreement for additional property, certain corporate work product assets related to the property, and the use of the property for the proposed GTL plant.

When completed, the Cerilon GTL ND plant will have the lowest carbon footprint of any GTL plant in the world. Cerilon's facility will convert natural gas into high value and low emission synthetic energy products, including ultra-low sulfur diesel, naphtha, and lubricant base oils. The plant creates a platform for the production of other valuable products such as ammonia and fertilizer. Cerilon GTL ND's parent company, Cerilon, is based in Alberta, Canada. The team has been integral in the support of major GTL plants across the globe.

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The Cerilon GTL plant anticipates bringing upwards of 1,000 construction jobs and 95 permanent jobs to the area, creating new technology job opportunities along the way. The project also will bring enhanced community and infrastructure development as well as long-term property and sales tax revenue. Overall, the plant will help to accommodate the state's growing production of oil and natural gas through innovation,

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not additional flaring, by offloading natural gas prior to entering any distribution pipeline and creating a value-added product. This project supports the pathway to Governor Burgum's goal of carbon neutrality, resulting in a cleaner environment and greener energy options.

Williams County previously issued a \$6 million no-interest loan in late 2021, which is required to be paid back over a 24-month period once commercial operations commence or seven years, whichever is earlier.







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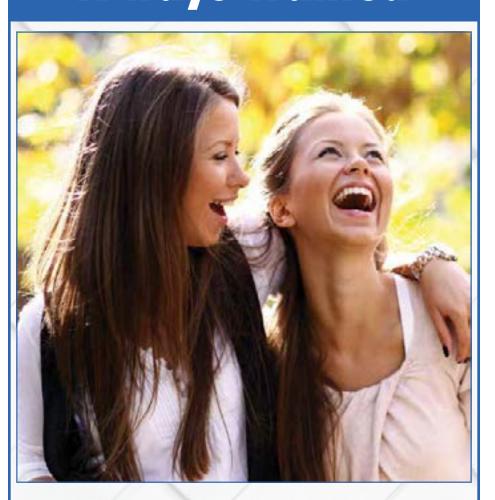




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Wellness & Beauty Special Section

Restore Wellness In Your Life At The Restore Wellness Spa, Williston

By Meagan Dotson

Restore Wellness Spa, Williston, ND, is the ultimate destination for relaxation and reiuvenation! The spa, which has been open since Dec. 12, 2020, has nine treatment rooms including two red light wellness cocoons and three float pods. Additionally, they have a waiting room, a R&R lounge, and a vanity room. In addition to their wellness cocoons and float pods, their services include Swedish, deep tissue, pregnancy and medical massage in 60, 90, and 120 minute sessions. Body wrap treatments are available as well as dry brush exfoliation, and 60 minute massage facials using natural ingredients such as avocado, lemon and papaya. Every massage is customized based on what each client needs.

"Williston didn't have a wellness spa and I wanted to give clients a mind and body reset. I wanted men to be able to come in and feel comfortable and both men and women to be able to relax while they're here." said owner and Medical Massage Therapist Chrystal McNary. "I also knew that my mom could benefit from the services we offer and I wanted to help her. I want to have her here as long as possible. We have the ability to heal ourselves with rest and relaxation, we just don't shut down long enough to allow that to happen."

The red-light wellness cocoons are near and far, dry heat infrared heat therapy. This is great for deep core pain relief, especially for those that struggle with chronic pain, arthritis, asthmatics, or anyone who's had a stroke or has circulatory

"Clients lay on a bed that massages them with

so they are breathing cool air," McNary explained. "The red-light wellness cocoons are great for those who can't exercise because it can raise their heart rate without putting strain on their heart."

The float pods are another awesome option that McNary describes as 'a beast of a machine'. This zero-gravity environment is achieved with 1,000 lbs. of Epsom salt to 10" of water and is great for pregnant women, those with muscle issues, bulging discs and so much more. The float pods following a massage will help rid your body of lactic acid and detox, and just an hour in a float pod is the equivalent of 3-4 hours of sleep!

Showers, complimentary refreshments along with luxury robes and slippers are provided. Before leaving, clients can stop into the Vanity Room which is set up as an area for people to get ready for the rest of their day and everything except make-up and curling irons are provided.

"I wanted people to be able to step away and relax and then be able to reset themselves and go back to their day," McNary said.

The spa also offers gift certificates, Body Bundles which include two services in addition to a massage, Wellness Packages, which bundle a massage, and one additional service, and memberships. Check out their memberships to get a great deal on much needed regular wellness treatments at a great price!

The Restore Wellness Spa was built from the ground up over the course of two years by McNary, her husband, and family.

"I love what I do and I

Showers, complimentary refreshments, luxury robes and slippers are all part of the experience at the Restore Wellness Spa. (Photo by Chrystal McNary)

The spa has nine treatment rooms including two red light wellness cocoons and three float pods, a waiting room, R&R **Lounge and Vanity** Room. (Photo by **Chrystal McNary)**

have a lot of people to be thankful for including my husband, mom, step-dad and uncle. I also want to say that Restore Wellness Spa doesn't function without our administration and staff. If we didn't function as a team, we wouldn't exist," she added.

McNary currently has massage therapist Hannah as part of her team and is training two new therapists, Tessa Wold and Kasnedra

The business is currently in their second phase; stage three will be whole health collaborative care and bring a nurse practitioner on board.

The Restore Wellness Spa is located at 313 Main St. Suite 1, Williston, and they are open Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, visit them online at restorewellnessspa.org., or

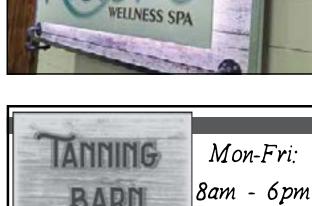


Owner and Medical Massage Therapist Chrystal McNary wants her spa to be a place where clients can come to get a mind and body reset. (Photo by Chrystal McNary)

on their Restore Wellness Spa Facebook page. To schedule an appointment, call 701.609.5048.

"This area has some of the hardest working people; people who are doing hard physical labor and working out in extreme heat and cold. I want to take the weight of the world off their shoulders when they come in," McNary concluded.





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Kayla Fox Wellness & Richland County's Commission On Aging Offers Classes To Improve Senior Fitness & Exercise

By Jaymi Mozeak

Kayla Fox has been working and doing her best to help the seniors of Richland County. She does many things but Kayla Fox Wellness is her Yoga business.

While she is not a native of Richland County, Fox has come to know and love the people here. She began teaching Yoga after getting certified in 2016 and initially taught classes for adults of all ages. While teaching

a specialized chair yoga class for her yoga teacher certification, she really liked how it was accessible for all abilities and disabilities and the attendees gave her

the inspiration to offer more accessible classes. Now, Fox contracts out with the Richland County Commission on Aging. Kayla Fox Wellness has no storefront but she is still able to do classes. Fox has put regular yoga on the back



burner to concentrate on classes to help the elderly in the community. Back in the Fall of 2022, Fox did a six-week close-ended Yoga and Functional Movement class as part of an Arthritis Exercise Program at the Commission on Aging, Sidney and the Fairview Senior Center. She also did a 12week close-ended Strength and Balance class as part of a Fall Prevention program in Sidney and Fairview. Fox holds in-person sessions and hands out manuals with exercises participants can do at home. Fox's goal is to do one of the programs per season. Since they are

Kayla Fox Wellness

through the Commission

Kayla Fox Wellness strives to improve senior fitness and exercise so older adults can stay living independently as long as they're able to. (Stock photo)

on Aging, the classes are a one-time donation of \$10 to participate for those 60 years and older. Those younger than 60 may participate but

the cost is \$10 per session. According to the CDC's website, www.cdc.gov, "Each year millions of older people 65 and older fall. In fact, more than one out of four older people fall each year. Falling once doubles your chances of falling again and one out of five falls causes a serious injury such as broken bones or a head injury." Kayla said, "My goal is to improve senior fitness and exercise so older adults can stay living independently as long as they're able to." For more information on future classes contact the Commission on Aging at 406-433-3701.



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Watford City High School Student-Athlete Named Gatorade North Dakota Girls Cross Country Player Of The Year

year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade announced Jaelyn Ogle, Watford City High School, is the 2022-23 Gatorade North Dakota Girls Cross Country Player of the Year. Ogle is the first Gatorade North Dakota Girls Cross Country Player of the Year to be chosen from Watford City High School. The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field, distinguishes Ogle as North Dakota's best high school girls cross country player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Girls Cross Country Player of the Year award to be announced in January, Ogle joins an elite alumni association of state award-win-



ners, including Natalie Cook (2021-22, Flower Mound High School, Flower Mound, TX), Katelyn Tuohy (2019-20, North Rockland High School, Thiels, NY), Megan Goethals (2009-10, Rochester High School, Rochester Hills, MI) and Jordan Hasay (2008-09, Mission College Preparatory Catholic High School, San Luis Obispo, CA).

The 5-foot-1 senior raced to the Class A individ-

ual state championship this past season with a time of 18:15.6. Ogle won eight races, including victories at the Williston Invitational, Mandan Kiwanis Invitational and Anderson/Stavn Meet. She also won the North Dakota/Minnesota/South Dakota/Canada Border Battle.

Ogle has volunteered locally as a coach with the Little Wolves Cross Country and Track and Field programs in addition to competing in basketball and track throughout her high school career. "Jaelyn Ogle enjoyed an impressive level of consistency this season, achieving six sub-19 performances over 5K," said Erik Boal, DyeStat. com editor. "What separated her from her peers in North Dakota was the ability to reach an even higher level on the biggest stages, as evidenced by her dominant performance at the Class A state final, an impressive response following her lone setback of the year at the Western Dakota Association Championship, where she was runner-up."

Ogle has maintained a 3.16 GPA in the classroom. She has signed a National Letter of Intent to run on scholarship at Mississippi State University this fall and will have the opportunity to run with her older sister, Hayley, in the Bulldogs' program.

The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the state winners in each sport.

Ogle joins recent Gatorade North Dakota Girls Cross Country Players of the Year Eleni Lovgren (2021-22, Williston High School) and Meghan Ford (2020-21, 2019-20, & 2018-19, Jamestown High School), among the state's list of former award winners.

Being a Gatorade Player of the Year means paying it forward for the next generation. Through Gatorade's Play it Forward initiative, every Player of the Year receives a grant to give to one of Gatorade's social impact partners, supporting Gatorade's ambition to fuel the future of sport. To date, Gatorade Player of the Year winners' grants have totaled more than \$3.5 million across more than 1,300 organizations.

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