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April is Sexua Assault Awareness Month

Submitted by The Seventh Judicial Victim Witness Program Written by Meagan Dotson

April is Sexual Assault Awareness month, and it is important for victims and their families to know that they are not alone.

The Seventh Judicial Victim Witness Program has been in existence for twenty-four years and was relocated from Dawson County to Richland County in 2007. The program provides services to Richland, Prairie, Dawson, McCone, and Wibaux counties, but has no jurisdictional boundaries so can provide services to anyone who requests them. While it offers resources to victims and witnesses of all crimes, roughly 75% of all the individuals they work with are victims of sex crimes. During their last fiscal year (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017) they served 300 primary victims of crime. With the end of their current fiscal year still months away, they have already served 254 primary victims. It is important to note that the Victim Witness Program doesn't deny services to anyone, so even if the crime was never reported, there are still resources available.

"This is a problem that is not going away, and our crime rate hasn't dropped," stated Paula Eberling who has been a Crime Victim Advocate for 18 years. "It doesn't matter what your social status, race, or gender are. Sexual assault can happen to anyone."

Crime Victim Advocates are there to offer support to victims by talking to them about what has happened. And, with the victim's permission, they can also can also provide information to families about how they can help their loved one. The Victim Witness Program offers crisis response, personal advocacy, court and law enforcement accompaniment, transportation, and facilitation of forensic testing, so victims have support available at every step. Currently, forensic testing is not available locally in the Sidney area, so advocates will arrange testing and provide transportation to surrounding hospitals in Williston, Glendive, Wolf Point, or Billings. No one ever imagines sexual assault will affect them, but when it does, Crime Victim Advocates are there to guide them through the unfamiliar process.

As important as it is for victims to know where to turn, it is equally important for the community to understand the aftermath these individuals live with. Few realize that sexual assault is a crime in which the burden of proof is put on the victim. Bringing perpetrators to justice requires a victim to give detailed and separate accounts of their trauma to Crime Victim Advocates, law enforcement, and prosecution and defense lawyers. Additionally, forensic testing is necessary to collect vital DNA evidence, so when victims want to do nothing more than change out of the clothes they were wearing during the assault and shower, they instead must sit in a car for an hour or more en route to medical facilities that provide forensic exams. These important but invasive exams can take up to four hours.

Victims also deal with misconceptions about sexual assault victims, often being probed with questions of 'Why were you there?' or 'Why did you do or say that?'. While these questions aren't necessarily posed to assign blame, they do imply a measure of fault that can have devastating effects on victims' mental and emotional states.

"The number one question sexual assault victims have is 'Was this my fault?'," commented Eberling. "Victims are defensive and feel like they need to justify their actions. One of the most important things we can do for them is to simply believe them and remind them that it isn't their fault."

There are a lot of misconceptions about sexual assault simply because it isn't something that is often or openly talked about. For instance, a common rationale is that we live in a safe community, where it is unlikely danger is lurking. According to a 2005 study, 73% of female sexual assault victims knew their attacker, whether they were acquaintances, friends, or intimate partners. The same study showed that less than 39% of all rapes were reported, making sexual assault one of the most underreported crimes, especially for male victims. Another stigma is that victims invite the assault based on what they wear, how they look and act, the company they keep, or the situations they choose to be in. Apply that rational to a different crime and it's easy to see how completely illogical it is; it would be like saying someone should've expected to be shot outside a football stadium for wearing the wrong team colors or that a person should expect to be robbed because their wallet can be seen in their back pocket. Placing blame on victims seems ridiculous in both of those scenarios, but this is the attitude many victims of sexual assault are met with in their day-to-day lives. There is no special circumstance that makes sexual assault a deserved reality. Perhaps it makes people feel safer if they believe that victims have control over their assaults, but sexual assault happens due to the motivations of the attackers, not the victims.

Sexual assault causes a delay in every aspect of a victim's life. All victims struggle with shame due to their feelings of responsibility for the situation and many change their appearance and behavior, becoming withdrawn from the activities and people they once enjoyed. Some even suffer from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder dealing with nightmares, anxiety attacks, and even seizures. Not knowing how to help victims return to a pre-attack state can be a difficult, frustrating, and even heartbreaking process.

"Change will only come through educating the community and empowering victims," stated Eberling. "Stigmas about sexual assault will only change when we start talking about it. Victims' stories are key in education; we have to learn from the victims."

If you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted, know that there is support available. Contact the Seventh Judicial Victim Witness Program at 406-433-6725.

April is Sexual LifeLight Festival Coming Assault to Watford City, April 28

By Stephanie Ler

The Rough Rider Center in Watford City will be lit up and busy all day Saturday, April 28, when the LifeLight Festival takes place.

The LifeLight Festival will feature extreme sports

riders, speakers, music, an illusionist show, and the

Fun Zone inflatables.

The Festival is one stop on the first ever LifeLight tour. For 20 years, the LifeLight organization, a non-profit based out of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, hosted one large and well-attended festival in Sioux Falls. The heart of LifeLight, according to their website, is "to reach out with the truth

and revelation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ", a point stressed by both local organizer Kelby Timmons and LifeLight president Josh Brewer.

The LifeLight organization was developed by Alan Greene and his wife, Vicki, in 1998, with the vision to reach the lost by "taking the church outside the walls". LifeLight accomplishes that end by presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ to festival attendees through contemporary Christian media. The festival began on a church lawn, and grew in recent years to draw approximately 300,000 people.

Putting together the event in Watford City was a coordinated effort between the churches and local business, providing sponsorship for the event. "All the churches are behind this. We're trying to bring a community family event for everybody, but also to share the Gospel," said Timmons.

Brewer hopes this Festival will be the first event to pack all 3000 seats at the Rough Rider Center. "We're looking to get community leaders, business leaders, and churches working together for a greater cause-that cause being gathering to change culture. We know when we turn on the TV or radio there are some troubling things in our culture. We are looking for people to work together to change culture and bring hope to us all," he said.

The event features the Fun Zone inflatables and a show by the Treagillusions, a ventriloquist act, from 2 to 5, Central time.

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10PM, and include motocross, skateboard and BMX riders, as well as music and speakers. Family Force 5, a rock band from Atlanta, Georgia is set to perform, as well as The Afters, a Christian pop rock band from Texas. LifeLight's own Josh Brewer, Cade Thompson, Rachelle Hope, and Bobby Bugattii will also be performing, bringing an array of musical talent ranging from pop to beats.

"It's like Bonnaroo mixed with Nitro Circus. We're excited about it," Brewer said.

The cost of the event is \$5 in advance, at https://www.itickets.com/events/396412, or \$10 at the door. All funds collected will be put toward next year's event. "This is going to be an annual event." said Timmons.

For more information about LifeLight, visit their website at lifelight.org.



The Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce held their 2018 Leadership Class Graduation on April 11 at the Sidney Moose Lodge. Pictured are L-R Melissa Kostelecky, Jenna Donahue, Monica Waters, Kelvin Buxbaum, Lilah Kara and Elaine Stedman. (Photo submitted)

US House Candidate Kathleen Williams Holds House Party in Sidney

By Jaymi Loobey

On Sunday, April 22nd, Montana House representative Kathleen Williams stopped in Sidney Montana for a house party as part of her Opportunity for Montana tour. She is running for Congress and did the tour to talk with locals in different parts of Montana and learn the specific issues plaguing each area. Not many people attended so it was held in the nice, cozy dining room of a supporter's home.

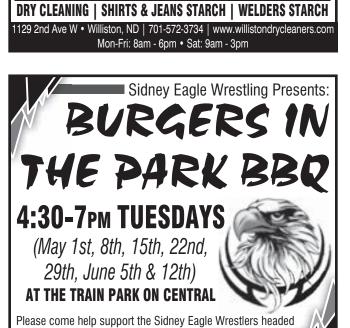
After everyone got comfortable, Kathleen introduced herself and gave a little of her history. When she went to college, Kathleen started out pursuing business at her father's advice. Then discovered she was interested in natural resources and how policies are made. She got a degree in resource economics then traveled around and got a job working as nonpartisan staff for the Environment Quality council in Helena for four years. She worked as the Water Program Manager for Montana's Fish, Wildlife, and Parks for five years. It gave her a good background for her fascination with solving touchy issues. For the last four and a half years she's been with the Western Landowner's Alliance and stopped to begin her campaign for Congress. Back in 2007, when the Montana legislature could not pass a budget, it made Kathleen consider running for office. She said "Things have gotten so partisen it's just unfortunate that it divides communities." Kathleen's served in the Montana House for three terms and she feels that Congress is how the Montana legislature was in 2007, inexperienced, hyperpartisan and in need of fixing.

Then Kathleen shared the six priorities of her campaign: healthcare, fostering opportunities, protecting our environmental heritage, fostering a civil dialogue in Congress, rebuilding our place in the world, and drawing a line between hunting weapons and military grade assault rifles. Then she offered a few ideas on how those issues could be fixed such as allowing those 55 and older to buy into Medicare. Those in attendance shared a few local issues such as the lawsuit against the Lower Yellowstone



Sidney local, Janet Martineau, and business owner, Joe Bradley, were happy to meet Kathleen, center, and share their concerns. (Photo by Jaymi Loobey)

Irrigation project and its ramifications, jobs, and the Dry Red Water Project. Several attendees shared their concerns about nationwide issues like healthcare, undocumented immigrants and women's health. Kathleen expressed a need for case studies on the effects of the tax plan in the taxes of individual citizens. Kathleen listened to everyone's concerns and took careful notes. She seems confident in her ability to defeat Greg Gianforte, if she can win the primary election, by holding him accountable for the things he has done while in office.



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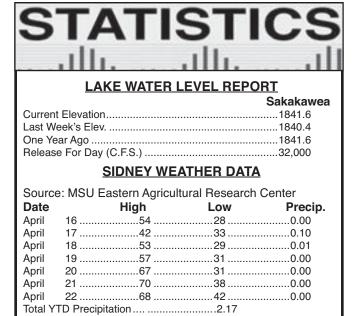
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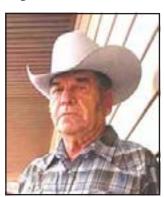


OBITUARIES

Wallce Ray "John" Beeler, 75, Sidney, MT

Memorial service for John Beeler, 75, of Sidney, MT was held at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 2 at Ebenezer Congregational Church with Pastor David Meehan officiating. Remembrances, pictures, and condolences may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

On April 18, 2018, after a hard fought battle with cancer, another cowboy rode away to live on the big ranch in the sky. Wallace Ray "John" Beeler was born March 28, 1943 on the family farm north of Wibaux, MT to George and



Wallce Ray "John" **Beeler**

Helen (Accart) Beeler. He was the youngest of thirteen children. John was baptized at St. Peters Catholic Church in Wibaux. Early on John attended a country school near Wibaux. He was only able to attend formal school through the fourth-grade, as he was needed to help tend to the family farm. In John's early teens he would travel with his sister Louise to pick fruit in Washington to help support the family. At sixteen John began a 39-year career working in the oil field. In June of 1962 John married Erma Wassmann and made his home in Glendive, MT. That union brought five children, Lora, Linda, Lisa, Johnny Ray and Cliff. Years later John had relocated to Dickinson, ND for oil field work and met the love of his life, Patricia "Patty" Goetz. John and Patty were married on March 28, 1984, which happened to also be John and Patty's birthdays. John and Patty later moved to Sidney, MT where John worked for Welltec Oilfield Services until its closure. John then went to work for Holly Sugar for five campaigns. In 2002 John had to have open-heart surgery that forced him to retire. He spent his retirement years working on the ranch located along the old lost highway.

John had a tremendous love for raising and breaking horses. He was a registered quarter horse breeder and a member of the AQHA for over 15 years. He had no problem spending countless hours talking about horses with anyone that wanted to listen. Besides horses John had many other passions in his life. John enjoyed hunting, fishing, dancing, old western movies, playing cards, restoring old furniture and raising his peacocks. John had a very creative mind and came up with countless unique inventions. He would create anything from a fishing lure to a tool used in the oil field. John had an amazing sense of humor and very rarely would you see him without a smile on his face. He was considered by many as a teller of stories and a fixer of stuff. He always had a story or joke to tell and could find a solution to fix anything that was broken whether it worked or not.

John was one of the hardest working men around and he played hard too. John lived his life to the fullest and would never back down from a fight and he fought till his last breath. John was rough around edges at times and may have not always shown it, but he loved everyone in his family with all his heart. John kept a special place in his heart for his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

John was preceded in death by his parents, George and Helen Beeler, Siblings, Louise (John) Smith, Jeanne (Charles) Fulton, Roy Beeler, Rod Beeler, Pete (Arla) Beeler, Lloyd (Florence) Beeler, Daughter in law, Beth Beeler, Father in law, Joseph Goetz, Grandsons, Michael Glass and Keden Sportsman, Brother in law Harry Wandler and lifelong friend Johnny Lingle.

John was survived by his wife Patricia "Patty" Beeler, children Lora (Mike) Smith , Linda (Kent) Hensman, Lisa (Steve) Engebretson, Johnny Ray Beeler, Cliff (Melonie) Beeler, sister in law, Jeanette Wandler, special friend, Jim Paben, 10 grandchildren, 15 great grand children and numerous nieces and

Bikes For Tykes Of All Ages

This event is hosted by the City of Sidney in corroboration with local organizations and will occur on May 12 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Richland County Courthouse Parking Lot. This workshop will provide free recycled bicycles to anyone in the community as well as offer the chance to "Build Your Own Bike' from sal-

The workshop will offer basic bicycle skills, bike safety and educational information as well as free bicycle safety ac-

If you have bicycles or bicycle parts that you would like to donate to this program, the week of April 23-27 you can drop off items at the City Shop, 1101 3rd Street NE from 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. or if you need your items picked up you can place them on your curb side that same week. You can contact City Park Superintendent Stephanie Ridl at 480-9263 if you have any questions.

One Text Or Call Could Wreck It All

Submitted by Don Smies

With ever increasing demands on our personal and professional time in today's busy society, learning to juggle multiple tasks at once is something we all face daily. As a result, a new traffic safety epidemic has emerged on America's roadways that demand immediate attention: Distracted Driving.

In 2016, 76 Montanans were killed in crashes involving a distracted driver. One of the most alarming and widespread forms of distracted driving is cell phone usage. According to a study by the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute, sending or receiving a text takes a driver's eyes off the road for an average of 4.6 seconds, the equivalent of driving blind at 55-mph for the length of an entire football field. And the New England Journal of Medicine found that the risk of a crash or near-crash among novice drivers increased with the performance of many secondary tasks, including texting and dialing cell phones.

Text messaging is of heightened concern because it combines three types of distraction - visual, manual and cognitive. In other words, texting involves taking your eyes off the road, your hands off the wheel, and your mind off the task of driving.

To tackle this ever-increasing problem, the Richland County Injury Prevention/ DUI Task Force, is focusing on ways to change the behavior of drivers through legislation, enforcement, public awareness and education—the same tactics that have curbed drinking and driving and increased seat belt use.

Our message is simple - "One Text or Call Could Wreck it All." With legislation being passed across the nation to discourage distracted driving, we hope drivers get the message loud and clear.

So the next time you are pressed for time, and it seems like multitasking in the car is the best decision, remember those 76 Montanan's lives that were taken because someone decided they could do two things at once. A text or call is not worth your life, or anyone else's.



RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

Wed., April 25

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Encounters Art Exhibit - Featuring Nancy Erickson's large-scale, free-form textile compositions inspired by cave art found at Chauvet Pont d'Arc and Lascaux. Viewing is free and open to the public. This event will continue through May 26. MonDak Heritage Center, 120 3rd St. SE, Sidney, 406-433-3500. Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturdays, 1-4 p.m.

10 a.m.-2 p.m. - Zion Lutheran Church Country Store Bazaar - Hand crafted items, baked goods, plants and seedlings, quilts, "upcycled treasures", kids corner. 309 S. Central Ave., Fairview, MT.

2-4 p.m. - Sunrise Child Care Association Carnival - Family event for families with children ages 7 and under. A free will offering will be accepted but is not necessary for admittence. Assembly of God Church, 414 East Main Street, Sidney, MT. 6 p.m. - ROI Night of Comedy Fundraiser - Laugh for a cause with Comedian Paul Morrisey at the Dinner/Dessert and Comedy Show. Sidney Moose Lodge, Sidney. Tickets, \$35. Tickets are available at Sidney Chamber of Commerce, Stockman Bank, Wells Fargo Bank and ROI's Workshop. For more information call Dan, 406-488-3341, etx. 4.

Tues., May 1

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. - People's Congregational Church May Day Soup & Salad Luncheon - \$10 per person, kids under 6 free. Deliveries and takeouts available. Call 433-3707. 405 10th Ave. SW, Sidney, MT.

4:30-7 p.m. - Burgers In The Park BBQ - Free will donation to help support the Sidney Eagle Wrestlers headed for the National Duals in Orlando, Florida. This event also occurs May 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5 and 12. Train park on Central.

Thurs., May 3 6:30 p.m. - Candidates Forum - This forum will be hosted by Sidney Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Faulhaber's government class. Sidney High School Cafeteria. Candidates for H.D. 35, Richland County Attorney and Justice of the

Sun., May 6

11 a.m. - Fairview Community Clean-Up Day - Adults and children meet at Sharbono Park, Fairview, MT. Our goal is to clean up the trash in town and along the highway ditch banks. If you need help removing an item from your residence/ yard call Laurie before the clean-up date at 406-489-1094 to arrange help.

Mon., May 14 6-8 p.m. - Candidate Round Table - Sidney Young Professionals will have the candidates for H.D. 35, Commissioner Duane Mitchell, candidates for Justice of the Peace, County Clerk and Recorder and County Attorney. Open to the public with limited space. There will be multiple small tables that each candidate will visit for 10 minutes, small group

MSU Extension Office, Sidney, MT.

Thurs., May 17 7 p.m. - Candidates Forum - Open format, no screened questions, homemade pie. Girard Hall. Sponsored by Girard Homemakers. Your PRIMARY VOTE is your ONLY vote for

discussions of their platforms and goals for the coming term.

local candidates.

Sat.. June 9 Sugar Valley Hoopfest 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament Sixth grade through adult (male and female, adult co-ed) Register by May 31 online at fairviewcommunityfoundation.org. Sharbono Park, Fairview, MT. For more information contact

Laurie, 406-489-1094. Fairview Community Garage Sale - Email Ray at trumpwer@ midrivers.com to be included in the list of sales.

Sat.. June 16

Sherry And Janae's Annual Softball Tournament - Open to all ages, prizes and concessions. Entry fee, \$100, \$50 due at time of signup. South Meadow Softball Complex, Sidney, MT. For more information contact Tammy, 406-489-0451.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Events in Culbertson unless otherwise listed, CT Zone Mon., June 4

9 a.m. - Hi-Line Hoop Camps - Basic features of the camp will be Positive Environment, Daily Themes, Commitment To Improvement and Great Competition. Culbertson School, boys and girls grade 1-12, grades 1-5 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; grades 6-12, 1-4 p.m., cost \$65. This event also occurs June 5. For more information call Bill Dreikosen, 406-860-3133. Registration forms will be available at the school.

McKenzie County

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone Sat., April 28

9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - Priscilla Shirer Simulcast - Worship with Anthony Evans. Registration, adults \$30; students 13-18, \$15, lunch is provided. Watford City Assembly of God, Watford City, ND. RSVP by April 23, 701-842-3353 2-10 p.m. - LifeLight Festival - Motocross, skateboard, BMX, Josh Brewer, Cade Thompson, Rachelle Hope, Bobby Bugattii, Family Force 5, The Afters, Treagillusions and kids activities! Cost is \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door. Tickets are online at www.ltickets.com or CrossPoint Church & Watford City Assembly of God. Rough Rider Center, Watford City, ND.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

Sat., April 28

9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Williston High School Girls Swim & Dive Color Run - This is a 5K fun run, untimed event with no award for first place. Registration will be from 9-10:30 a.m. at the Keelboat. The race starts at 11 a.m. Cost \$30 per person. Have fun and raise funds for the Coyote Swim and Dive team. Spring Lake Park/Keelboat, 5906 2nd Ave. West, Williston,

Sat., May 5

8:30 a.m. - Wish Fast: Superhero 3K & 5K Walk/Run - 5K-8:30 a.m.; 3K, 9 a.m. Come dressed as your favorite hero as we save the day from dastardly villains scattered throughout Spring Lake Park in Williston, ND. Beat all the villains and help grant more wishes faster for Make-A-Wish ND. Tons of great prizes. Registration donations: Adult 3K-\$30 Children, 3K, \$20 adult; 5K, \$30 children, 5K, \$20, adult. Teams of 5+, \$10 per person. For more information visit, https://www. facebook.com/WishFast/; twitter:@WishFast; Instagram:@ WishFast.

9 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Scrapbooking** - Participants should bring their own materials and lunch. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. 701-572-9034.

Dawson County

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone Sat., April 28

1-5 p.m. MLB Jr. Homerun Derby - Free national program for boys and girls 6-14 years of age to participate in a home run hitting contest. Concessions will be available. Babe Ruth Field at Whipkey Park, Glendive, MT. Pre-registration required and forms can be picked up at the Boys & Girls Club or download at www.boysandgirlsclubofdawsoncounty.com under the

upcoming events tab. Sat., May 19

10 a.m. - MT Wilderness Association Hike - Hike the Vista trail. Free event. Guided by Ranger Tom Shoush. Meet at Vista Trailhead, Makoshika Park, Glendive, MT. For more information call 406-377-6256.

Tues., May 1 3:30-6 p.m. - Baby Bistro - Free to all parents of babies, newborns to one year old. Certified lactation consultants answer questions, help with breastfeeding, weigh your baby and provide support. Glendive Medical Center Acute Care

waiting room, 202 Prospect Dr, Glendive, MT. For more

information call Carol Condon, 406-345-8996.

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Karl Jones)

Sidney Tendo Tae Kwon Do **Billings Tournament Results**



(L-R): Caleb Baxter, Adilyn **Baxter** & Brielle Baxter.

Three members of the Sidney Tendo Tae Kwon Do school traveled to Billings on Saturday, April 21 to participate in the 52nd annual Karlo Fujiwara Memorial Tae Kwon Do and Judo

This tournament was held at the MSU-Billings Alterowitz Gym and hosted by the Martial Arts Academy of Billings.

Also in conjunction with this tournament the American Tae Kwon Do Association state qualifier per nationals was also held. Adilyn Baxter in the 9-year old blue belt girls division placed 3rd in forms and 3rd in sparring.

Brielle Baxter in the 10 to 12 year old blue belt girls division placed 3rd in forms and 3rd in sparring.

Caleb Baxter in the 14 to 16 year old blue belt boys division placed 1st in forms and 1st in sparring.

Caleb Baxter also entered the ATA qualifier and placed 1st in forms and 1st in sparring and can proceed to the nationals which will be held in Salt Lake City in July.

Soccer Results in Sidney April 21

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Pictured is Nathan

Johnson)

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U16 vs Lewiston U15 2-2 Cayman Tamez scored 1 goal on a penalty kick and Logan Jones scored a goal off a corner kick.

U16 vs Big Timber U17 2-3 Goals by Nathan Romo

and Cayman Tamez Next games 4/28 in Boz-

Submitted by Joel Krautter

Guest Opinion:

Budget problems, budget cuts and lower than expected revenue. Such has been the news from Helena this past year.

The budget cuts even hit Sidney. The Office of Public Assistance closed, ending three jobs and Richland Opportunities Inc. suffered a 3% cut for state reimbursement, which will result in a loss of more than \$60,000 for their care of developmentally disabled people. Our State Health and Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), which counsels hundreds of seniors annually regarding choosing the right Medicare Part D plan is also seeing funding threatened.

How did these budget problems happen? We were told about the strong fiscal health of Montana and low unemployment rates, record growth in Bozeman, a growing high-tech industry and another record breaking year for tourism

Even with these positive economic indicators. Montana's budget experienced problems because our key economic drivers of agriculture and energy are struggling.

For instance, Montana has one oil and gas rig, while North Dakota has 53 and Wyoming has 30. Montana lags because of failed policy to encourage natural resource development.

The State of Montana loves the Richland County cash cow that keeps pumping revenue from oil and gas to Helena. In 2014, Richland County sent \$50,547,460 in oil and gas revenue to Helena. In 2016, with oil down, this figure was still \$18,723,405. Interestingly, the oil and gas revenue sent to Helena in 2014 by Richland County was more than the revenue sent by any other county in Montana, not including income taxes, even when other counties include property and vehicle taxes.

Montana lawmakers want the cash cow to keep pumping. We must bring lawmakers around to support legislation in 2019 that will promote more natural resource development. They also need to pay attention to the infrastructure needs of our area that have been overlooked now for multiple sessions. The status quo is unacceptable.

Look at how North Dakota has supported their impacted communities like Williston and Watford City where much of their state's wealth has been produced. Then look at the unfair treatment that local energy producing communities are getting in Montana. In my opinion, more oil and gas revenue produced in Richland County needs to stay in the area from which it is created to offset these impacts.

No one expects our com-

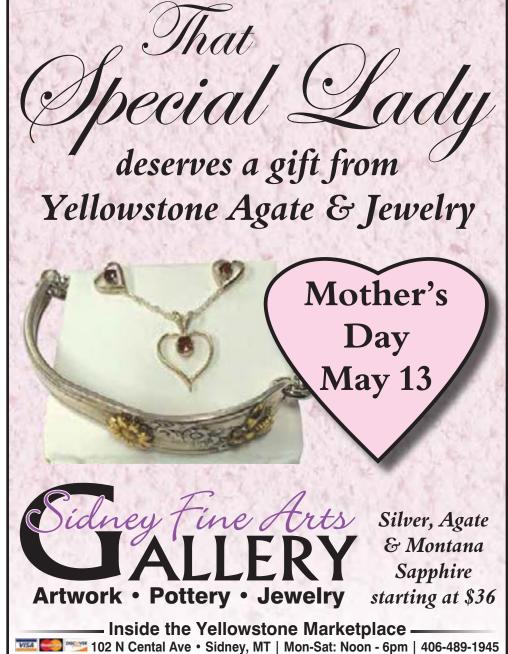


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munities will get a dollar for dollar return on the revenue they send to Helena, but it's not unrealistic for the people of Richland County to expect that we would get state financial help for our infrastructure expenses. We should be compensated for the wear and tear on roads, water systems, and strains on our county and towns due to this oil and gas development.

The current budget problems present an opportunity to talk about how Montana can promote more oil and gas development while also taking care of impacted areas. It may be a challenge, but I believe our Representative has to try. I will give this crucial problem all I have and I will be focused on delivering results for Richland County in Helena.

Joel Krautter is a Republican candidate for Representative of MT House District 35.



CHANGE

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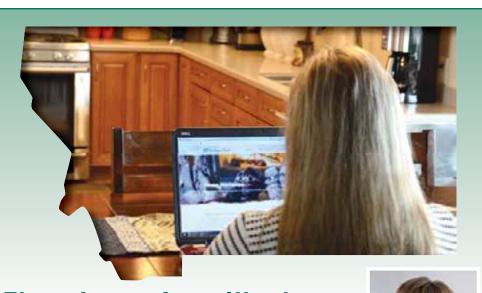
Lunch & Beverages Will Be Provided LYIP will provide a hot meal after the hearing.

Please call Richland Economic Development at 406-482-4679 to reserve your spot on the bus or to let them know you'll meet them there.

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So Little Time, So Many Multi-**Taskers**

Submitted by Don Smies

These days, people are bombarded with devices that can help accomplish more in less time. With people spending an average of about one hour and 15 minutes in their vehicles every day, unfortunately, other activities- from talking to the kids

> estimate that drivers are doing something potentially distracting more than 15 percent of the time their vehicles are in

> If you're driving your vehicle, you are already multitasking. At a minimum you are: operating a piece of heavy machinery at high speed; navigating across changing terrain; calculating speeds and distances; and responding to all the other drivers and obstacles around you. Putting one more activity in the mix-even talking to your passengers or changing a radio station-can be enough to make you lose control of your vehicle or fail to respond in an emergency.

A study by AAA found almost everyone reaches for something, adjusts a control, or gets distracted at some point while driving, which is one of the reasons distracted driving is such a big problem. Driver inattention is a factor in more than 1 million crashes in North America annually, resulting in serious injuries, death, and an economic impact that some experts say reaches nearly \$40 billion per year.

In the AAA Foundations first annual Traffic Safety Culture Index found that 82% of motorist rated distracted driving as a serious problem, yet over half of those same individuals admitted to reading or sending text messages while driving. Think about the things that distract you. Do you do things while you're driving that you wouldn't want others to do?



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Brorson School Named To The **National** Renaissance **Honor Roll**

Submitted by Ms. Kelsie Haggard

We are proud to announce that for the second year, we have been named to the National Renaissance Honor Roll for our achievements with Accelerated Reader.

Renaissance is a program used in schools for Reading and Math automaticity. The reading side has comprehension guizzes and school wide testing for leveled reading. The math side has practice activities, quizzes, and lessons as well as school wide testing.

In order to be named to the honor roll on the reading side like we were, 80% of the students in the school or class had to reach a goal of 85% or better on all of the reading quizzes that they take throughout the year.

We use Renaissance for math and reading on a daily basis. Whenever our students read a book, they take a comprehension test to test how well they understood and read the book. I work with our students to set goals for themselves with how well they want to do on the tests and how many points they want to earn. Each book and test has a designated amount of points and we have point clubs that our students move through, earning a small prize for each point club they reach.

Throughout this year, I participated in discussion topics, data check-ins and doing research on how to improve the implementation of the program. In April, we made the final data submission and Renaissance sent out notification on which teachers/school made the honor roll.

It is my goal for next year to not only make honor roll in Accelerated Reader but also in Accelerated Math program!

Letter to the Editor

"America will ever be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves." Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865)

I have known Tanya Rost for years. In fact, her husband Shawn worked for Mitchell's Oilfield Service in Baker back in the 90's. I know Tanya is a hard working dedicated Christian wife, mom and a woman or integrity she will stand for what is correct. A real lady of character and principals.

When Tanya said she was going to seek the state House of Representative seat district 35 I asked her if she would have voted for SB 416 the so called "Infrastructure Bill". Tanya said no, she said "we do not need another tax and spend bill, why spend \$40 million for the university system in Boze-

S. Central Ave., Fairview, MT.

in Sidney.

man, Missoula, Billings, Great Falls, Butte, another \$25 million at Helena Heritage Center so Richland County might get \$5 million if they qualify". According to SB 416 "infrastructure projects" means: drinking water systems; wastewater treatment; sanitary sewer or storm sewer systems; solid waste disposal... local roads or bridges. No mention of schools. Another note about infrastructure funding, while attending a Montana Association of County Commissioners meeting in February of 2017, Dan Villa, Governor Bullock's Budget Directors, told all the county commissioners in attendance. "There would be no infrastructure bill passed unless the Montana Heritage Center received the \$25 mil-

I have a card that the Montana Republican Party

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had years ago. The Richland County Republicans reprinted it a few years back. I am a Republican Because...

our nation lies with the individual and that each person's

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growth and prosperity.

I believe the government

just enforce the laws we have. supporter, believes marriage is between a man and a woman, boys and girls should not share the same locker rooms or restrooms, believes you

Tanya Rost will do a great job in Helena representing the values and needs of all Richland County. If you haven't met Tanya Rost you really should call her, 406-488-8015.

the United States, we will destroy you from within." Nikita

Sidney, MT

I believe the strength of

dignity, freedom, ability and responsibility must be honored. I believe in equal rights, equal justice and equal oppor-

I believe free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative have brought this nation opportunity, economic

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must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of the money they earn.

I believe the best government if that which governs least, is closest to the people.

Tanya Rost believes in all these principals along with a few others; gun control is "hitting what you aim at" we do not need more gun laws, Tanya is a staunch prolife should keep what you earn.

"We do not have to invade

Khrushchev (1894-1971) **Duane Mitchell**

TRENTON INDIAN SERVICE AREA **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OPENING**

There currently is an opening for a TISA board member representing district three which covers Montana counties of Roosevelt, Richland & Sheridan.

Mr. Clay Moran has resigned his position as district three representative. The resignation is effective April 3, 2018. To fill the position, the following by-laws govern the selection of a new board member:

- Section 9 vacancies: if a vacancy occurs through forfeiture, removal, death or resignation the TISA board shall declare such vacancy & appoint a replacement to serve until the next regularly scheduled election if the remaining term is less than one (1) year. If the term remaining is more than one year, an election shall be held in that district or in the case of a vacancy for the office of chair person the election shall be at large.
- The next election date is April 2, 2019.
- Following the by-laws, the TISA will be appointing a replacement to serve until April 2, 2019.

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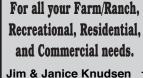
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hotdish, broccoli, fruit. breadstick. Wed., May 2: Salisbury steak,

Sidney Schools Thurs., April 26: Super nachos, tater tots, peaches. Fri., April 27: Corn dog, french fries, apple.

Mon., April 30: Chicken sandwich, oven wedges, pears.

Tues., May 1: Turkey gravy over potatoes, diced carrots, Wed., May 2: Soft shell taco,

mandarin oranges. Savage School Thurs., April 26: Nachos,

fruit, vegetables. Fri., April 27: Chicken patty, macaroni and cheese. Tues., May 1: Turkey noodle hotdish, carrots.

Wed., May 2: Burrito casse-

role, salad.

Rau School Thurs., April 26: Turkey dinner, potatoes, gravy, corn, dessert.

Fri., April 27: Chicken noodle

soup, peanut butter and jelly, grapes. Mon., April 30: BBQ pork riblet sandwich, baked beans,

veggies, peaches. Tues., May 1: Spaghetti, green beans, pineapple, bread.

Wed., May 2: Super nachos, salad, mandarin oranges, cookie salad. Froid School

Thurs., April 26: Salisbury

steak, mashed potatoes, gra-

vy, veggies, fruit. Fri., April 27: Chicken salad with buns, carrot sticks, fruit. Mon., April 30: Meatloaf, curly fries, green beans, fruit. Tues., May 1: Chicken patty on a bun, rice pilaf, peas, fruit. Wed., May 2: Nick's Day! Sub sandwiches, chips, honeydew

Bainville School Thurs., April 26: BBQ pork sandwich, wedges, slaw, fruit.

melon, snickerdoodles.

Mon., April 30: Cheese quesadilla, taco bar, mixed beans, fruit. Tues., May 1: Chicken noodle

chips and cheese.

mashed potatoes, peas, fruit. **Richey School** Thurs., April 26: Chicken drummies, au gratin potatoes, corn, applesauce Fri., April 27: Grilled cheese, tomato soup, fruit cocktail. Mon., April 30: Egg rolls, stir

fry veggies, peaches, fortune cookie. <u>Culbertson School</u> Thurs., April 26: Popcorn chicken, rice pilaf, fruit.

Fri., April 27: Pizza, veggies, Mon., April 30: Corn dog, fries, fruit.

Tues., May 1: Cheeseburger, fries. fruit. Wed., May 2: Chicken enchiladas, rice, fruit.

Lambert School Thurs., April 26: Hot dogs, macaroni and cheese, fruit. Fri., April 27: Colt's Lunch! Bacon hamburgers, tots, fresh veggies, chocolate pudding. Mon., April 30: Chicken or beef enchiladas, fresh veg-

Fairview School Thurs., April 26: Ham, scalloped potatoes, peas, fruit salad, bun, dessert.

Fri., April 27: No school.

gies, fruit.

Thurs., April 26: Pork chop mashed potatoes, gravy, roll, peas, cinnamon applesauce. Fri., April 27: Belgian waffles with fruit and whipped cream,

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Mon., April 30: Cheeseburger, waffle fries, corn, fruit Tues., May 1: Chicken strips,

syrup, sausage patty, hash brown, fresh fruit.

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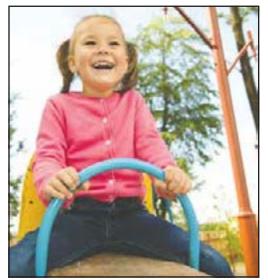


Kids to Parks Day Trivia

The trivia questions are to help celebrate National Kids to Parks Day on May 19, a day of outdoor play celebration in our parks. To commemorate the occasion, Sidney Park Superintendent, Stephanie Ridl has comprised a Sidney Park Trivia Questionnaire to showcase what's been going on in our park system over the last six years and for people of all ages to get out and see what our parks have to offer.

As an incentive for people to take part in this activity, any questionnaires turned into City Hall will be put into a drawing for some goodies donated by local businesses.

Please submit questionnaires to City Hall by Friday May 18, 2018. Incomplete questionnaires are welcome! If a couple of the questions have you stumped, it's OK! The answers to these questions will be printed The Roundup at a later date.



National "Kids to Parks" Day

Saturday, May 19 PARK TRUST **Trivia Questionnaire**

- 1. How many City park areas are in Sidney City limits?
- 2. In total, how many acres of park land does Sidney have?
- 3. There are many different common names for parks around town, but what are the official names of the following
- The park at Central Ave. and 5th Street SW. (Across from the Middle School)
- The park at 9th Ave. and 6th Street SE.
- The park at 5th Ave. and 4th Street SE.
- The park at 5th Ave. and 3rd Street NE.
- The park at 9th Ave. and 9th Street SW.
- The park at 12th Ave. and Holly Street NW (Across from MainStay Suites)
- The park at 9th Ave. and 11th Street SW. (Next to the old Reynolds Market)
- 4. How many outdoor skating rinks are in our parks during the winter months when weather is permitting?
- 5. How many miles is the pedestrian trail that runs through town?
- 6. What is the official name of this pedestrian trail?
- 7. How many parks have bathroom facilities?
- 8. If you wanted to take a break from the sun while spending a day in the park, how may picnic shelters are in our
- 9. To alleviate the amount of littering in our parks, how many trash cans are in our park system?
- 10. To be responsible pet owners, what are the locations of the six dog pot stations the City Parks Department
- 12. In the past six years many of our parks have become the home to new trees. In that time, how many trees have been planted in our park system?
- 13. If you wanted to do an outdoor cookout, what parks have BBQ grills?
- 14. In 2017 the horseshoe pits were refurbished, which park are these in?
- 15 If you wanted to enjoy a picnic in the park, how many picnic tables are in the park system? 16. How many park playgrounds have been replaced with new and improved equipment in the last six years? Note:
- There will be new playground equipment added to Kling Park in 2018!
- 17. Park Superintendent, Stephanie Ridl's favorite color has been highlighted in each of these new playgrounds, what
- 18. There are seven parks that are within one block of the pedestrian trail, which parks are they?
- 19. What is Sidney's largest and smallest park?
- 20. In the last three years Sidney has gained another park, which park is it?
- Bonus Question: Which park do you visit the most and what would you like to see added into our park system?



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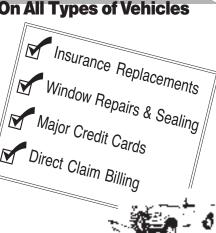
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Kick Off **Spring With** Scootfest and Biker's Ball

By Carrie Brost

May signifies a lot of different things for our area; the start of the growing season, anticipation for summer break, cleaning and de-cluttering our homes, and more importantly riding season! This years riding season will be kicking off with a new event to our area; the Lower Yellowstone Chapter of Montana ABATE's Scootfest and Biker's Ball.

This year Sidney has been chosen for the venue at the Richland County Event Center. Motorcycles can be registered Friday night between 5-9 p.m. and Saturday morning from 8-11 a.m. with all bike styles welcome. The bike show registration

The Scootfest starts at 11:30 a.m. and runs until 4 p.m., May 5 with a \$5 entry fee. In addition to looking at all the cool and different motorcycles, there will be several vendors on site with merchandise, food and drinks available.

Between 4-5 p.m. ABATE will be giving away 2 bicycles, one boy and one girl bike, a pocket bike and numerous door prizes to lucky show goers. A raffle featuring another pocket bike will also be held, with tickets available at Scootfest or before from a Scootfest committee member.

Bike show entrants will be registered and split into six categories, with the winners receiving a trophy made from motorcycle parts, hand created by the Sidney High School Ag Department under the supervision of Mr. Ted Fulgham. Another contribution from the high school is the poster logo, created by Sidney High School Art Club member Brianna Brost, overseen by art teacher Ms. Penny Filler.

At the conclusion of all the great prizes and giveaways and awards, Lower Yellowstone ABATE chapter invites you to ride your bike (or drive your car) on a short poker run (weather permitting). After the poker run, get ready to rock the rest of the evening to "The Culprits" from 8 p.m.-12 a.m., with a full bar provided by the Waterhole #3. There will be a \$5 entry fee for the dance.

So please make plans to stop out at the Lower Yellowstone Chapter of Montana ABATE Scootfest on May 5 to look at some cool bikes, eat some great food and dance the night away.

Community Clean-Up Day Fairview May 6

Together we can all make a difference! We are asking adults and children to meet at Sharbono Park at 11 a.m. on Sunday, May 6. Our goal is to clean up the trash in town and along the highway ditch banks, We will go from there depending on how many community volunteers we have.

Neu Construction has generously offered a spot to put a dumpster and trailers for the sorting of garbage behind the old WL Neu Building on Main Street. Hurley's Oilfield Service offered to provide the dumpster and trucking of garbage at this location.

The Richland County Landfill will only accept sorted trash. The dumpster is for trash only. Trailers will be available for other items such as tires, car batteries, metals, appliances, and tree branches. We cannot take any demo material if you are remodeling.

We will only be accepting items from 12-5 p.m. Do not bring items before 12 p.m. or after 5 p.m. These spots are not permanent drop off spots!

Residents of Fairview please haul your trash to the designated spot. Remember you need to sort your trash. If you are an elderly person or need help removing an item from your residence/yard, we have youth leaders that may be able to help. Call Laurie before the clean up date at 406-489-1094 to arrange help.

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Prescription Drug Take Back Day April 27

Prescription drug abuse has become an increasingly common and serious problem across the country. Unwanted, unneeded, and/or expired prescription medications located in people's homes are often the source for those who desire to illegally obtain prescription drugs for their own use, or to sell to others. In order to offer people a safe option to get rid of unneeded, unwanted, and/or expired medications, the DEA has begun sponsoring a National Take Back Day. This year, Larsen Service Drug in Watford City and New Town encourage everyone to check their homes and participate in National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Anyone in the possession of unwanted, unneeded, and/or expired prescription medications may bring them to Larsen's and dispose of them, free-of-charge, in a lock-box that has been provided by the North Dakota Board of Pharmacy and the DEA.

Why Get Rid of Unused Meds?

- Unused or expired prescription medications are an issue of public safety, with the potential to cause accidental poisoning, overdose, or abuse. - Prescription medications can be just as dangerous as street drugs when taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision.

- Non-medical use of prescription drugs is the second most common form of drug abuse in the United States (coming in second to marijuana abuse).

- The majority of teenagers who abuse prescription drugs obtain them from friends and family - often from the home medicine cabinet.

- Unused prescription medications that are thrown in the garbage can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed down the toilet have the potential to contaminate the water

supply.

For more information, visit https://takebackday.dea.gov/.

Now is the time to check the prescription medications located within your home. All those that are unwanted, unneeded, and/or expired can be safely disposed of on Friday, April 27th at Larsen Service Drug in New Town, and Saturday, April 28th at Larsen Service Drug in Watford City.

Unwanted, unneeded, and expired medications can also be disposed of at anytime throughout the year, at Larsen Service Drug's Watford City location. For more information or if you have questions, please call Larsen Service Drug at 701-627-2410 or 701-444-2410.





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Local And Cottage Food Safety Workshop Scheduled

On Saturday, May 12 plan to attend a free food safety workshop held at Diamond Room at Roughrider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway, Watford City, ND.

To attend this workshop you must pre-register to ensure there are enough materials for all participants. To register, please call Holly Mawby, 701-681-0252.

What you will learn at this local and cottage food safety

- Which regulations apply to you and your product
 - How to prepare yourself

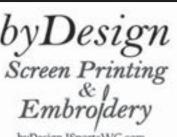
to meet the regulations of your local health district, the ND Cottage Foods Law, and the Federal Food Safety Modernization Act

- How to appropriately label your products
- What you can and cannot sell and how to sell it
- Good Agricultural Practices and Farm Food Safety to assist in ensuring your products are safe
- The basic records you should keep to ensure a successful food safety plan Your state and local health district personnel will be on hand

to answer questions and guide us through local regulations.

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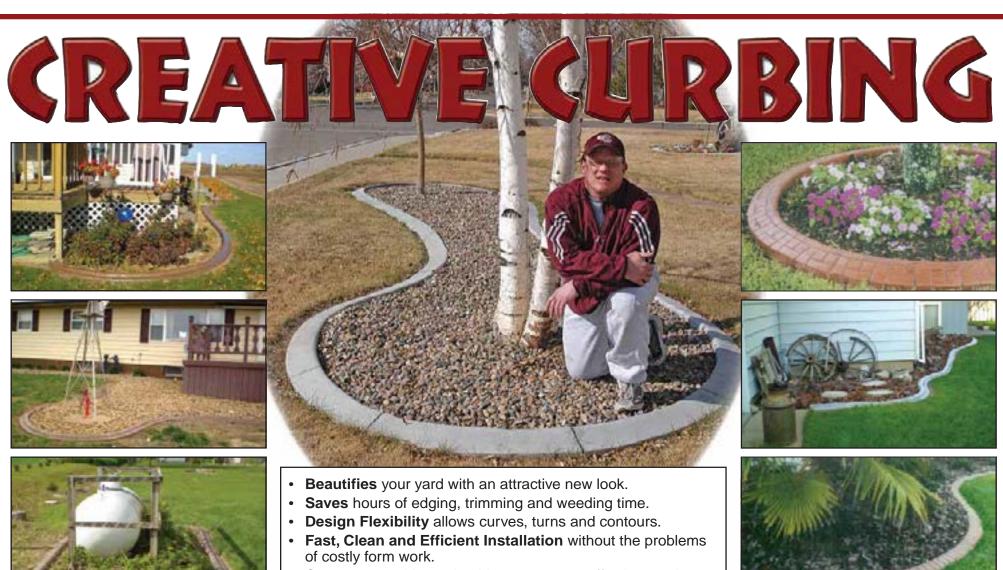
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By MT FWP

Due to high flows and ice jams during spring runoff on the lower Yellowstone River, a few boat ramps will be unusable for an extended period

Elk Island Fishing Access Site in Richland County

suffered extensive damage during ice jams this spring. Water more or less washed away the entire site, making it impossible to reach the boat ramp. Elk Island has a second boat ramp on the Wildlife Management Area that was also destroyed during ice events this spring. Boat ramps at Elk Island FAS will likely be unusable this year, according to FWP Region 7 Fishing Access

Site Manager Jamie Hould.

Another site that was greatly impacted by the ice jams was Stipek Fishing Access Site near Glendive. The access road and boat ramp are currently covered with large ice chunks and debris. Once the ice melts, FWP can clear debris and inspect the ramp. Currently the ramp is unusable however.

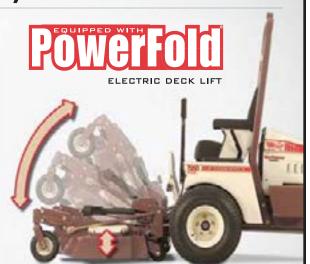
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By Danielle Steinhoff

Spring is Here and that means Ticks

Now that the weather forecast looks to be nice the next week or so, I am hopeful that spring is here to stay! Those that spend any time outdoors will have to start looking at themselves, and their animals, for ticks. There are three species of ticks that can be found: American dog tick, Rocky Mountain wood tick and winter tick, American dog tick is the most common. With the worry of Lymes disease being carried in ticks, here in North black-legged tick, also known as deer tick, is not naturally occurring. The black-legged Rocky Mountain tick may be transferred over from neighboring states.

Ticks will bite on to your skin and become engorged with a blood meal. Once the tick is done feeding, it will drop off its host to mate, lay eggs or continue development. There are 4 distinct developmental stages of ticks: stage 1- inactive stage, egg. Followed by three active blood-feeding stages- larva, then nymph and then finally adult. Adults,

reproducing and then death. There is generally one generation per year for American dog tick and winter tick, Rocky Mountain tick has 2-3 life cycles per year.

The best way to prevent a tick infestation around your home is by keeping the lawns mowed, less than three inches, and removing high plant matter. As you move further away from trees the tick numbers generally decrease. Ticks require high moisture levels, and generally don't do well on spots with direct sunlight. Pesticides can be used to kill

The critical point of application is to target the early life stages, which is within the next few weeks. Some pesticides that may be effective are the following: Carbaryl (Sevin) which is a common garden insecticide. Cvfluthrin (Tempo) tick control on turf, Deltamethrin (Suspend, DeltaGard G) tick control in residential areas, S-Fenvalerate (Zema Lawn Spray) tick control on turf, and Permethrin (PermaKill 4Week

Tick Killer) used against ticks on the lawn.

Liquid formulations of pesticides will kill all adult stages throughout the summer, granular formulations are more effective on nymphs that are overwintering in the fall. When using pesticides of any sort, remember to practice personal protective measures. Wear long sleeve shirts, long pants, and closed toe shoes. You may want to use an insect

ROUNDUP, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018 11A repellent containing DEET on any exposed skin to repel ticks and other insects. If you do find a tick on you, to properly remove them, use a fine forceps and grab the head as close to your skin as possible. Apply steady upward force until tick is free, if part of the mouth is still in the wound you may treat that as a sliver. (Information from Dr. Janet Knodel and Jackie Buckley)





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Paddlefish Seasons Beginning Soon

By Jordan Hall

The annual Montana and North Dakota paddlefish season begins soon, with the Missouri River harvest starting on May 1 and ending on June 15, and the Yellowstone River harvest starting on May 15 and ending on June 30. Depending upon harvest numbers, however, the season is subject to immediate early closure by announcement of the Montana or North Dakota Game and Fish departments, respective to the area to be closed. Paddlefish anglers must obtain a paddlefish tag, a conservation license and state fishing license, which must all be in possesion of the angler while trying to snag the paddlefish.

The paddlefish, or by its lesser-known biological name, polyodon sapthula, is a relative of the more-prolific sturgeon, and has a long, paddle-like snout, smooth and nearly scaleless body and rigid backbone and tail fin. Research and monitoring is necessary to prevent over-harvest of the fish. Harvest numbers have been reduced from two fish per person annually to one per person in both Montana and North Dakota, which is a policy designed to stabilize the number of paddlefish in the Missouri and Yellowstone rivers. A one-thousand fish limit is set, and once that number is met, the state Game and Fish departments will announce the season closure.

When the closure is announced in North Dakota, an extended snag-and-release period will be allowed for up to four days immediately following the early closure, but not to extend beyond May 21. When the early closure is announced in Montana, a catch-and-release will be allowed for ten consecutive days at the Intake Fishing Access Site north of Glendive, but not to extend beyond June 30.

On Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays there is a mandatory harvest of all paddlefish snagged on the river, meaning that they must be kept and immediately tagged. On Sundays,

Mondays and Thursdays, snagand-release is reguired. Anglers on these days of the season still need to have in their possession an unused paddlefish snagging tag. During catch-and-release days, a gaffing tool may not be used, and fish must remain partially submerged in the water to lessen the chances of irreversible harm to the fish.

The North Dakota daily fishing hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., and fish must be removed from the river access points or river bank by 7 p.m. In Montana, the daily fishing hours are from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., with fish needing to be removed from the river ac-

cess points or river bank by

The Roundup spoke to local game warden, Ryan Karren, about expectations for this year's season.

Karren told the Roundup, "They have a one thousand number quota, but they'll shut it down at Intake well before that. They will shut it down when numbers indicate that about 850 have been caught so far, because there will be others elsewhere on the river who will make up the rest of the thousand. We'll shut it down at Intake so that it won't exceed the total limit of fish allowed."

Knowing precisely how many fish are caught is pivotal to knowing how to manage the season, according to Karren.

"When people get their license," Karren explained, "they should get a little green card that requires everyone



John Garden of Wvoming snagged the biggest of last year's harvest season which was 108 lbs at the Sidney bridge. (Photo submitted)

make sure they don't exceed the quota." At Intake, Karren explained, there are Game and Fish agents and biologists counting and tracking what is caught, which makes the numbers from that location more accurate than elsewhere

on the river.

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Karren also expected the season to be brief, saying, "It went really quickly last year, and it will probably be quick this year. We have a ton of water and not a lot has melted so if it warms up it should go quickly. Those fish move upstream based upon water movement, and when it starts rolling that's their signal to start moving. It all depends on that river flow."



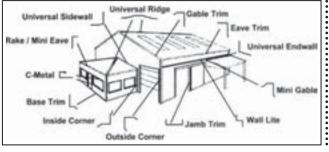


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