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Waterhole #3 Has New Owner

By Dianne Swanson

Judd Burman fulfilled his childhood dream of owning a bar when he purchased the Waterhole #3 and Oasis Casino in Fairview on April 20, 2023. "I've always wanted to own a bar, ever since I was a little kid," Burman said. "I didn't want to be a lawyer or a doctor, I just wanted to own a bar." The Fairview native is very proud of the bar he purchased and encourages everyone to stop in. "It's a beautiful bar. Anyone who hasn't been in for awhile really needs to come and see it."

Burman is still a gas plant operator for Kinder Morgan so he relies on his great manager Kim Falkenhagen to run the day-to-day operations. Falkenhagen, along with the staff of 24 other individuals do their utmost to make everyone's experience the best it can be whether in the Waterhole #3 or the Oasis Casino. Both are open seven days a week from 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Stop in for a tasty home cooked lunch special Monday-Friday from 11 a. m. til gone or savor one of the 16 beers on tap, which includes many regional craft beers.

Events such as the Putt Putt Pub Crawl which happened last weekend, and the Yellowstone Poker Float scheduled for Aug. 19, were started by Burman when he worked part time at the Waterhole. As a musician, he would like to have more live music although band costs can make that difficult. He hosted a guitar Karaoke night recently where singers could choose a song and Burman had to play it on his guitar. "It was half comedy, half talent," he said of the night. "It went pretty good, everyone had a good time."

The Waterhole #3 has the only patio in town, the perfect spot for the daiquiri bar Thursdays starting May 25. There might even be some random music there during the summer Burman suggested. There will be live music during Fairview Festival the third weekend in July as well.

The Waterhole ballroom is available for any occasion, and is the home for cornhole league and pool league in the winter months.

"We're always up to something," Burman said. Check them out on Facebook or Instagram for upcoming events, or just meet your friends there. It's always a good time at the Waterhole #3 and Oasis Casino in Fairview.



New owner Judd Burman welcomes everyone into the Waterhole #3 and Oasis Casino in Fairview. (Submitted photo)



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Dogs On The Deck Coming Again To Watford City May 25



Heidi Lahteine sings during one of last year's Dogs On The Deck events.

Les Schwab Tire Center Coming Soon To Sidney



Work has begun on the new Les Schwab Tire Center in front of the Candlewood Suites, Sidney.

By Jaymi Mozeak

Early May of this year, locals noticed that ground had been broken on the land in front of the Candlewood Suites, Sidney, northeast of the Shops at Fox Run.

The land has been bought and sold more than once. The land had been owned by Jack Reynolds, the owner of Reynolds and Fox Run. During the most recent oil boom, he sold it to a gas station company which

did not seem to do anything with it. Now, it is owned by Les Schwab Tire Center, and on which they plan to put their first tire center in eastern Montana.

Les Schwab Tire Center is a tire and maintenance shop that is based out of Bend, OR.. It opened in 1952 with one little tire shop in Bend but has since spread to over 500 locations across 10 states. They do tires of all sizes from wheelbar-

rows and cars to tractor and construction equipment tires. They also do brakes, wheels, alignments, batteries, shocks, and struts. They have snow chains, and towing accessories, and have lowering, lifting, and leveling options, as well as on-the-farm service.

The center in Sidney is to offer tire sales, maintenance, brakes, alignments, and shocks and struts. Dale Thompson, Les Schwab Tire

Centers CMO said, "All helping you to stay safe on the road." Les Schwab is hoping to have their new Sidney tire center completed and open by the end of 2023. This, of course, is dependent on weather and they may not be able to open until early 2024.

Les Schwab has several other stores in Montana in different cities and towns. The closest store to Sidney is the one in Sheridan, WY, and there is one that will

open in Billings in June. Thompson said, "We started in the Pacific Northwest and expanded out. We have been successful in western Montana and Sidney seems like the kind of town we have been successful in."

For more about Les Schwab Tire Centers visit their website at www.leschwab.com.

By Jaymi Mozeak

Every Thursday beginning May 25 to July 13 this summer, Long X Liquor Store is once again holding Dogs on the Deck. This family-friendly fundraiser has become a series of Thursday happenings that benefit multiple local non-profit benefactors while showcasing local bands and solo artists.

Each Thursday night at Dogs on the Deck you can enjoy a footlong beef hot dog with all the fixings, chips, a cookie, and a bottle of water for \$5. In addition to a beer garden, come down and enjoy live music on the AWOL Stage. Kids of all ages can come down and take part in the Trilogy Playtime Energy Center, crafts and games are available at no additional cost.

The AWOL Stage lineup is as follows.

May 25: Brandon Foster
June 1: Ted & Keri Bentley

June 8: Getting Out of Dodge
June 15: Josey Nichols
June 22: Amanda El-Dweek, comedian

June 29: Brandon Foster
July 6: Ted & Keri Bentley
July 13: Josey & The Whalers

Since 1950, the Long X Liquor Store has been a community-owned liquor store that has a long history of financially supporting community projects around Watford City. They are located at 100 2nd St. SW in Watford City as part of the Long X Visitors' Center.

The Dogs on the Deck have become part of the regular summer entertainment in Watford City. LeeAnn Brown, Long X Liquor Store general manager said, "It's a community event that draws people together for the kickoff of summer." For more information on Dogs on the Deck keep an eye on the Long X Liquor Store Facebook page or stop in and visit with the staff.

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Richland Co. Jaycees Independence Day Celebration Returning July 4

By Jaymi Mozeak

The Richland County Jaycees are once again commandeering the Richland County Fairgrounds to throw a family-friendly celebration of our nation's independence. The 2023 Independence Day Celebration and Fireworks, on July 4, will be free of charge to the public with games, food, car show, music, and fireworks it is sure to be a fun time for people of all ages.

With the amazing attendance last year, the Jaycees have decided to change things up a little. From noon-6 p.m., there will be carnival games, prizes, an inflatable bouncy house and water parks, a dunk tank, and food trucks. Judging for the car show will be from noon-3

p.m.

The Jaycees will also be using the event center during these hours for craft vendors, a photo booth, seating, and Sunny's Family Restaurant's food booth.

The fun continues with a more adult theme from 6-10 p.m. The event will be alcohol-free but will include a band, patriotic costume contest, 50/50 raffle, and more. The fireworks at 10 p.m. promises to be bigger and better than ever.

The Jaycees also joined with Richey Public Schools this past year to teach students how to tear down and build a derby car in an after-school program. The completed car will be showcased at the 2023 Independence Day Celebration as

part of the Car Show and raffled off at the Annual Derby, on Aug. 19. The Jaycees will be trying to bring the program to Sidney and Fairview schools for the 2023/2024 school year.

Since 1954, the members of the Richland County Jaycees have strived to achieve a positive community impact through public events, holiday donations to local families, student scholarship programs, and provide additional resources to Richland County residents. To hold this event, they still need volunteers, food, and craft vendors. Donation jars will be out in the community to help fund the festivities.

The Richland County Jaycees hold several events over the year. For more

information on the 2023 Independence Day celebration and fireworks, check out their Facebook page, JCI Richland County, email; jay-

ceesofsidney@gmail.com, or contact Shannon Wicks at 406-480-1041.



July 4, the Richland County Jaycees are once again commandeering the Richland County Fairgrounds to throw a family-friendly celebration of our nation's independence. (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)



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AREA RECOVERY GROUPS

MONDAYS:

12 p.m. — AA Monday Noon Group, Matthew House Office, 416 2nd St. NW, Sidney, MT.

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. — Grief Recovery Support group, First Lutheran Church music room, Watford City.

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

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

TUESDAYS:

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

7 p.m. — 24-hour Women's AA group meeting, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

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

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THURSDAYS:

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

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

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

FRIDAYS:

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

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

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

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

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

James (Jim) Oliver
Rindahl, 82, Billings, MT



James (Jim)
Oliver Rindahl

James (Jim) Oliver Rindahl, 82, Billings, MT, passed away peacefully on Sept. 25, 2022, surrounded by family. He gifted his parents: John (Ted) Oliver and Blanche (Hayward) Rindahl and siblings by his birth on Christmas Eve 1939 in Williston, ND. Jim was the fourth of seven children.

He attended several country schools, graduating high school from Wheelock, ND in 1958. This is also where he and his brothers, along with the Vinger boys, made up most of the star basketball team! Myron Vinger and Jim remained lifetime friends.

In his early years he worked as a ranch hand for Darwin and Jean Krenz. On several cattle drives, Darwin and Jim were gone too long and had a few too many drinks. Jean fired Jim three times throughout the years. The following day, Darwin would always find him and return him to the ranch. The families remained lifelong friends.

Jim spent the majority of his working life as a seasonal construction, heavy equipment operator. He was good at working with his hands; he built his cabin in Acton with help from Gil and Steve. He was an extra in two movies - The Alamo (a John Wayne movie) – filmed in TX, and the Return to Lonesome Dove – filmed in MT. He liked animals, especially horses. He was involved in horse racing, as an owner/trainer, throughout Montana and neighboring states.

Jim and Patricia Rehbein were married in 1966. Together they had four sons, John, Paul, James, and Jeremy. Tragically their son John was killed in an accident at a young age. When the boys reached adulthood Patty and Jim parted ways and divorced. They continued to remain friends throughout their lives.

He met and married Lisa Kloepfel and became step dad to Katie and Ashley. His daughter Jamie Olivia (a bright light in his life) was born in 2006. Jim and Lisa later divorced.

He is survived by his sons: Paul (Tara), James (Joanne), Jeremy (Jamie); daughter: Jamie; step daughters: Katie and Ashley; grandchildren: Michael (Sarah), Elizabeth, Avery, Jennalynn, Jessie, and Zane; great granddaughter: Hannah Grace. He is survived by sisters: Karen Ramos, Judy Nicholas, and Lucy Rodgers; brothers: Kenny and Murl; plus numerous nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents: Ted and Blanche Rindahl, infant sister Ruth Marian and his son John. Per his wishes, he has been cremated and will be buried with his son, John, in the Sidney Cemetery. Celebration of his life with family and friends will be on Saturday, May 27, 2023 at 11 a.m. at the North Sidney Cemetery. Immediately following, lunch will be served at the VFW Club in Sidney, all are welcome to join the family.

Leota “Lee” Jensen, 80
Sidney, MT



Rosetta “Rusty” Lowry

Mass of the Christian Burial for Leota “Lee” Jensen, 80, Sidney, MT, are pending at St. Matthew’s Catholic Church, Sidney, MT.

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

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

Leota “Lee” passed away on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT surround by her family.

Raymond “Ray” Ruff, 69
Glendive, MT
formerly of Fairview, MT



Rosetta “Rusty” Lowry


Raymond “Ray” Ruff, 69, Glendive, MT, formerly of Fairview, MT, passed away on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at the Glendive Extended Care, Glendive, MT.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

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

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

Rosetta “Rusty” Lowry, 82
Sidney, MT



Rosetta “Rusty” Lowry

Memorial Services will be Monday, May 22, 2023 at 11 a.m. at Fulkerson-Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Rosetta “Rusty” Lowry was born on July 19, 1940, Malta, MT, the daughter of Ludwig and Loretta Kuntz. She grew up and went to school in Harlem, MT. Rusty married Milton Lowry on June 7, 1958, in Chinook, MT. They lived in Sidney, MT then later moved to Belgrade, MT, where she raised her four children while selling Avon and Tupperware. They moved to Hogeland in 1986 where she worked at the post office and the North 40. Later when her kids were grown, Rusty lived in Havre, MT for a number of years before returning to Sidney, MT to be closer to her daughters. While in Havre, she spent most of her time volunteering at the Giveaway House; a place close to her heart. Rusty was a strong-willed woman with her own distinct opinion on everything. That accompanied by her delightful, often warped sense of humor made her fun to be around. Rusty was a passionate reader of romance novels, loved puzzles and playing word games. She adored calligraphy, bingo, and card and board games, also. She had a special place in her heart for her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Rusty never missed sending everyone a birthday and holiday greeting card.

Rosetta “Rusty” passed away on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023, at Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT with family by her side. She will be greatly missed by many. Surviving her are her children, Cindy (Rocky) Cowell, Kelly (Alan) Burke, and Christopher “Chris” Lowry; her sisters, Pearlless Doney, Irene Crasco, and Cheri Brindle; her grandchildren, Michael (Sarah) Burke, Ryan Cowell, Kimberly (Tony) Thomas, Heather Burke, Gary (Kerian) Burke, Sean (Breezy) Cowell, Melanie (Dustin) Knoll, Paul Lowry, Tristan Lowry and Madison Lowry; and 19 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Loren Lowry; brothers, Charles Kuntz, Allen Thingstad and Howard Thingstad.

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Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
May 8	67	37	0.060
May 9	74	37	0.000
May 10	76	50	0.060
May 11	70	53	0.400
May 12	57	52	0.350
May 13	54	50	0.550
May 14	74	47	0.000
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EVENTS

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT.

Wed., May 17

10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Water Works Art Museum Juried Exhibit** - Mysteries, puzzles, & treasures are hidden in the details of practically everything. Runs through June 6. - **Vietnam Voices** - Features powerful stories of 81 Vietnam veterans. Runs through June 10. - **Lacey Holmen Western Pride** - Runs through July 1. - MonDak Heritage Center, Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. For more info, 406-433-3500, or mdhc@richland.org.

Wed., May 17

3:30-5:30 p.m. - **Syttende Mai Norwegian Constitution Day** - Join Sons of Norway Lodge 489 celebration of their heritage. Light refreshments served. MonDak Heritage Center.

Tues., May 23

11 a.m., 5:45 p.m. - **University of Montana Grizzlies 2023 Spring Tour Sidney Scramble & Dinner** - Sidney Country Club. For more info visit upwithmontana.com/springtour.

Thurs., May 25

6 p.m. - **Ink & Water with Afton** - MonDak Heritage Center. Members \$30; not yet members \$40. Limited space reserve you spot by calling 406-433-3500.

Sat., May 27

8 a.m.-6 p.m. - **Homesteaders Swap** - Free admission to buyers/lookers. \$25 vendors. Richland Co. Fairgrounds. For more info call Jamie 406-270-8333.

6 p.m. - **Sidney, MT Draggin’ Main Food Drive** - Meet up at Footers for a great cause. Food Banks most needed items: Hamburger Helper, Ramen noodles, dish soap, canned fruit (any), cereal, instant potatoes, shampoo, women’s deodorant, canned chili.

Wed., May 31 - Richland County Taxes Due

The 2nd payment of 2022 Real Property taxes & 1st payment of 2023 mobile home taxes are due by 5 p.m. May 31. Payments & payment coupons may be mailed or brought to the Richland Co. Treasurer, 201 W. Main, Sidney, MT 59270. Office hours 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon.-Fri. A payment drop box is located in the alley behind the Old Courthouse & credit card payments are accepted online at richland.org. Any payments after 5 p.m., May 31 will be assessed penalty & interest charges. For more info call 406-433-1707.

Thurs., June 1

3-7 p.m. - **The Wellness Collective & Healthy Kids Expo** - Explore the faucets of your health: mental, physical, financial, spiritual, environmental, intellectual, social. Keynote speaker: Danny Wyrwas. The “Healthy Kids Expo” features resources, & activities for the youth. Richland County Event Center.

Sat., June 3

1-3 p.m. - **Reading & Book Signing At Page Turners, Fairview** - Kicking off the summer reading challenge with a reading at 1 p.m. & book signing to follow of “The Most Unlikely Pair” by Sandy Rieker.

7-10 p.m. - **Jazz Age Jeopardy Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre** - A murder mystery & scavenger hunt in 2 acts. Richland County Event Center. Single ticket \$30; pair of tickets \$55; table of 8 \$225. Proceeds benefit Eastern Montana Out of the Darkness Walk for suicide prevention. For tickets visit the Facebook page.

McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT.

Sat., May 20

1-5 p.m. - **Sons of Norway Syttende Mai Celebration** - Norwegian treats & Long X Arts will be painting Dala Horses at 2 p.m. Just eat & visit or stay to paint. Free or \$25 to paint a Dala Horse. Long X Visitors Center.

Mon., May 22 - Tues., May 30

Pick Up The Patch 2023 - Gather friends, neighbors, coworkers, family members, & others to clean up the garbage after the long winter! Supplies for volunteers available at First International Bank and Trust (main street location) and the Rough Rider Center. For more info contact Kylee Roff, 509-295-1658 or kyleelroff@gmail.com; or Teresa Morawski, 701-300-3704 or teresa.morawski@oneok.com.

Thurs., May 25 (Every Thurs. through July 13)

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

Sat., June 3

10 a.m.-12 p.m. - **Badlands Plein Air Painting** - Paint the badlands while you’re in the badlands. \$60 per person, all supplies included, no experience necessary. CCC Camp 15 miles south of Watford City. For more info visit daphneclarkart.com.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT.

Fri., May 19

5-8 p.m. - **Vivian Kalmik Fundraiser Benefit** - Free will donation BBQ, auction & live music. Old Armory Theater. Funds raised will go for Kalmik’s medical costs. For more info contact Amy Krueger, 701-770-9041.

Wed., May 24

10 a.m.-3 p.m. - **City of Williston Public Outreach Day** - Free event open to all ages, Williston Public Works, 1121 5th St. East.

Thurs., June 1

5:30-9 p.m. - **Williston Downtowners Association Art & Wine Walk** - Enjoy an evening of wine tasting, appetizers & art as you explore more than a dozen downtown businesses & meet talented artists. Tickets: presale \$40 (ends May 30); day of \$50. Presale tickets at Cooks on Main, The James Memorial Art Center & Exhale Yoga. Online tickets visit willistondowntown.com & on Facebook.

Sat., June 3

6:30 a.m. start - **Liberty Energy & Upper Missouri Relay for Life Marathon 2023** - The Williston Marathon is the first premiere endurance event in Williston & will feature a marathon, half marathon, 10K run, 5K run & 5K walk that will be certified for a Boston Marathon Qualifier. XWA Airport. Sign up online at tinyurl.com/willistonmarathon.

DAWSON COUNTY

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT

Sat., May 20

8 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Glendive Catfish Tournament** - Rules meeting 6:30 p.m., May 19 at Wagon Wheel Bar, 1615 West Towne St., calcutta to follow after rules meeting. For more information contact Steve Linder 406-939-5925; Tim Linder, 406-939-0441; Cole Plouffe, 406-230-0694; or Dennie Germann, 406-959-1042; or check out Glendive Catfish Tournament Facebook page.

Fri., June 9, 6 p.m.; Sat., June 10, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Makoshika State Park Buzzard Day 2023 - June 9: Cornhole tournament & food vendors. June 10: Half marathon, 10K, 5K races; pancake breakfast; Bluebird Hike & Talk, disc golf tournament. Family activities, bouncy house, mini train, archery, atlaf, face painting, archeology exhibit, Mak the T-Rex, food vendors, National guard fun events. Kids fun run, Museum of the Rockies Paleo Presentation & Hike. Free movie at dusk (bring chairs or blanket, jackets & bug spray). All events at Kiwanis Group Shelter unless otherwise noted. For a full schedule of events visit www.friendsofmakoshika.org/buzzard-day.



Beautification Of Downtown Sidney

Volunteers from the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Class hosted the Beautification of Hometown Sidney event, May 12, that started in Veteran’s Memorial Park and spread out throughout Sidney. Pictured: Back row (L-R) Kristy Prewitt, Marley Manoukian, Marissa Eberling, Trenlin Propp, Jessica Cayko, Pam Shelmidine and Aly Schiver; front row (L-R) Willy Holler, Pam McGlothlin, Tony Couture, Brenda Kringen, and Jenelle Stoner from the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Class all came together to hold the Beautification of Hometown Sidney event on Friday, May 12. (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

TheZone Summer Lunch Program Starts June 12 In Fairview

By Dianne Swanson
All kids, kindergarten-high school are welcome to enjoy a safe space paired with a nutritious meal this summer, hosted by Zion Lutheran and Community Presbyterian Churches in cooperation with Fairview Schools. Lunches will be provided from 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, alternating between the two churches. A red flag saying EAT will signal the location.
Pastor Tim O’Shields, Zion Lutheran Church, explained the program, saying that there are no walls involved. No income requirements, no religious affiliation. Just fellowship and good food for kids. It’s a way to get kids together with friends, or maybe make new ones, all while receiving a good, balanced meal. Stacey Skogas, West Side School lunchroom director and head chef, is advising the program to make sure



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the meals are well balanced, and, if the kids are lucky, she may even cook up a tasty dish or two herself! All other cooks are volunteers and more help is needed. Donations to cover the cost of food are also very much appreciated.
Flyers will be sent home with students from both Fairview schools the last week of school with a registration form. Parents or guardians are asked to please pre-register their kids so that

quantities of food can be planned. Registration forms are also available at Zion Lutheran Church, or kids can be registered the first day of the program. Please contact Zion Lutheran Church at 406-742-5523 with any questions.
TheZone summer lunch program will run every week until school starts. Be sure to sign your child up for great food and fellowship this summer!



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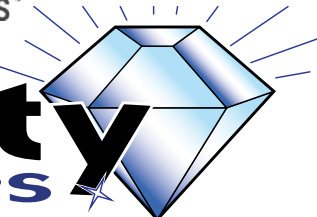
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Sober Night For Graduates On Graduation Night

By Robyn Heck
The Sidney High School seniors graduate on Sunday, May 21 and a group of junior parents are putting together an event for the senior class from 9 p.m.-dawn. Students will scavenger hunt around town for prizes and "money". At dawn they

will have a Chinese style action for prizes. Organizer Robyn Heck said, "If it keeps one person from drinking on graduation night, it will be worth it." Heck and the committee are collecting donations and funds for the event. If you would like to contribute

with a donation or be open to participate in the event, contact Robyn Heck at 406-480-0704, robynheck@hotmail.com, or send a Facebook message. Let's gift this graduating class with a positive memory they will never forget.

Williams County Fatal Crash

On Friday, May 12 approximately 4:20 p.m. CDT there was a two-vehicle head on collision 25 miles east of Williston.

A 2008 Ford F350 was traveling westbound on Hwy. 1804 near mile marker 283 being driven by David Seiferd, a 49-year-old male, Williston, ND. A 2010 Toyota Highlander was traveling eastbound at the time of the crash. The Toyota was driven by Robert Ndahigwa, a 40-year-old male, Dickinson, ND, and had Ronald Nanan, a 57-year-old male passenger, Hedgesville, WV. The Ford failed to negotiate a slight curve in the road and crossed into the east-bound lanes. The Ford pick-up struck the Toyota head on, causing both vehicles to spin and come to rest in the south ditch.

Robert Ndahigwa was pronounced deceased on scene. Ronald Nanan was transported via ambulance first to Tioga Medical Center and then to Trinity Health in Minot due to the injuries sustained. David Seiferd was

transported to Tioga Medical Center via ambulance due to injuries sustained.

At the time of the crash, it was raining and the road conditions were wet.

The agencies that responded were North Dakota

Highway Patrol, Williams County Sheriff's Office, Tioga Ambulance and Tioga Fire Department.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Golf With The Griz May 23

Grizzly Scholarship Banquet Back on Sidney Tuesday, May 23
Fans & alumni of the University of Montana are invited to the Grizzly Scholarship Banquet and Golf Tournament Tuesday, May 23 at the Sidney Country Club.

The Griz are back on their annual Spring Tour and the Sidney Chapter of the Grizzly Scholarship Association is inviting all supporters of the Griz to come out and show their support and enjoy a dinner and silent auction starting at 6 p.m. An 18-hole golf scramble will also be held that day with registra-

tion beginning at 11 a.m. and golf at 1 p.m.

UM officials will be golfing during the day and providing updates on all UM Athletic Programs during the banquet. UM Athletic Director Kent Haslam, Griz Football Head Coach Bobby Hauck, and GSA Executive Director/Senior Associate AD Greg Sundberg will headline the program, along with Voice of the Griz Riley Cochran and several other UM athletic department officials.

The cost for the May 23 event is as follows: Dinner only, \$50; golf only, \$75; dinner and golf, \$115, hole

sponsor, \$165 (includes dinner and golf for 1); corporate sponsor, \$325 (includes dinner and golf for 2)

For more information and to purchase tickets or sponsorships contact Sidney GSA President Bill Brenner at 405-433-5464; Vice President Kevin Mayer at 406-480-2562; or Sec/Treasurer Phil Johnson at 406-480-1991.

The event is sponsored by the Sidney Chapter of the Grizzly Scholarship Association. The GSA's mission is to raise funds to support scholarships for Montana Grizzly athletes.

Richland County Taxes Due May 31

The Richland County Treasurer would like to remind taxpayers that the second payment of 2022 Real Property taxes and the first payment of 2023 mobile home taxes are due by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, 2023. Payments and payment coupons may be mailed or brought to the Richland County Treasurer, 201 West Main, Sidney, MT 59270. Office hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. For your convenience there is a payment drop box located in the alley behind the Old Courthouse and credit card payments are accepted online at richland.org. Any payments postmarked, dropped in the drop boxes, paid online, or brought to the Treasurer's office after 5 p.m. on May 31, 2023 will be assessed penalty and interest charges according to MCA 15-16-101. Please call 406-433-1707 opt. 1 with any questions.

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First Homesteader Swap Of The Season Was May 13

Pictured (L-R) Charlie and Jamie Land started a Homesteader Swap May 13 and plan on holding consecutive swaps every other Saturday through August. (Photo by Jaymi Mozeak)

By Jaymi Mozeak
On May 13 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., homesteaders were to come together at the Richland County Fairgrounds to hold the first Homesteader Swap of 2023. In true eastern Montana fashion, however, the weather had other ideas, and after an hour and a half of vendors not showing up because of heavy rain, the event ended early.

The Homesteaders' Swap was the brainchild of Charlie and Jamie Land, Edmonton, KY. They ranch in Kentucky but often frequent Richland County in Montana. Jamie was born and raised in Sidney and still has friends and family here. May 13 was to be the first day of a biweekly event that will continue to occur until the end of August. For the sake of the animals, it is being held on the grass in the east parking lot of the Fairgrounds in case of accidents. Homesteaders, small-time farmers and ranchers, artists, and craftsmen will be welcome to sell, barter, or trade animals, fruit, vegetables, animal products, baked goods, art, and other homemade items. The cost for vendors is \$25 to help with rent and insurance, but admission for those coming to just buy or check the event out is free. Those wishing to purchase animals must bring means to transport them home.

The Lands love homesteading. Jamie said, "With the prices in the supermarkets going up and the fact that you can't trust where your meat is coming from this seemed like the perfect time to do this." Jamie loves for kids to come, see, and learn where their food comes from. On May 13 they had baked goods, crafted brooders, dip waterers, air fresheners with decorative hangers, quail, and fertilized quail eggs.

The Lands plan on holding a homesteader swap every other Saturday through August. In August, the dates will be changed to work around the Fair and Lone Tree Gun Show as they are running booths at both events and the parking lot will be in use. They plan to make this an annual event.

Lincoln Reagan Day Dinner Held May 7

By Dexter Thiel
The Richland County Republican Central Committee held its annual Lincoln Reagan Day Dinner on Sunday, May 7 at the Richland County Event Center.

A total of 128 people came to hear speakers Representative Matt Rosendale, State Representatives Rhonda Knudsen and Brandon Ler.

State Senator Hinebauch spoke as he is finishing his time in the Montana Senate after serving 2 four-year terms. Congressman Louie Gohmert, Texas, also joined the list of speakers. They related their experiences in recent government action, both state and federal.

Congressman Rosendale emphasized the different aspects of the recent election of Speaker Kevin McCarthy to his current position. Rosendale emphasized the effort was to restore the democratic function back to the House by spreading the power of legislative action back to the House as a whole and not to a few select representatives on the rules committee. He also emphasized this was restoring freedom back into the process as the Founders intended.

Congressman Gohmert related several of his experiences from his time in the House. He specifically related stories about interaction between former President Trump and Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell.

Both Rosendale and Gohmert elaborated on how their goals in government were driven by the concept of freedom; the freedoms handed down to us as Americans by the Founding Fathers, all won with great sacrifice and preserved by the Constitution, wisely crafted by those same Americans.

The Sidney High School Jazz Band played opening music and the Star-Spangled Banner. The students played very well and began the evening with a great start. Luis Whaley played the Star-Spangled Banner on the piano and Corbin Steinbeisser drummed in the National and Montana Flags.

After the traditional auction by auctioneer Grady Larson, the crowd left to go home having enjoyed a very full, informative and fun evening.

Matt Rosendale with the SHS government students and the American Politics Club members who attended, pictured are back row (L-R) Hannah Anderson, Ayden Burke, Corbin Steinbeiser, Tyler Olson and Daniel Stevens; front row (L-R) Kailey Olson, Emma Cundiff, Leah Entz, Lexi Morlock, Mikeal Savage and Lily Wick with Matt Rosendale in the middle. (Submitted photo)

Congratulations To Our Graduates And The Rest Of The 2023 Class!

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SHS Key Club Elects New Officers

The Sidney High School Key Club has announced their officers for the 2023-24 year at Kiwanis on Thursday, May 11. Pictured, (L-R) are historian Avia LeRoy; treasurer Tayten Bright; secretary Olivia Svedrup; and president Kyle Humphries. Not pictured are vice-president Reece Graves and social networker Corben Holler. (Photo by Dianne Swanson)

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Make New McKenzie Co. Fair Memories At New McKenzie Co. Ag Expo, June 14-17



Enjoy the carnival, June 15, 16 and 17, at the McKenzie County Fair. (Photo by Tiffany Terry)

By Meagan Dotson
The McKenzie County Fair is happening Wednesday, June 14-Saturday, June 17. The county fair will be the debut event for McKenzie County Ag Expo, with the ribbon cutting ceremony being held during the Bulls & Broncs event.

The carnival will run Thursday-Saturday; be sure to check out the vendors and take in the exhibits.

There is free admission to the Olaf Leiseth Memorial Draft Horse Event at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 14. Events include an obstacle course, pole bending, swamper race, and corn cultivating. For more information, or to enter contact Peggy Hellandsaas at 701-570-9383 or Chris Kubal at 701-307-0516.

Thursday, June 15, is Military Day, 4-H clubs will be showing their animals, and there will also be a parade at 4:30 p.m. on Main Street, and a free beef barbecue at 5:30 p.m. At 7 p.m. Bulls & Broncs will kick off their event and the ribbon cutting ceremony for the McKenzie County Ag Expo will take place that evening.

The Demolition Derby is taking the spotlight on Friday, June 16 with their Back the Blue Night. There will be two classes which are limited weld and chain. Payouts for each are \$3,000 for first place, \$2,000 for second, \$1,000 for third, and \$250 for fourth place. There is an opportunity for an additional \$3,250 for either class that has 10 or more cars; the money will go towards mad dog and additional placing. There are no entry fees for cars; for more information

on the Demolition Derby contact Travis Kubal with 223 Promotions at 605-354-5593.

Last, but certainly not least, is the NDRA Rodeo on Saturday, June 17 at 7 p.m., slack at 12 p.m. Saturday is also EMS Day. Admission prices for all events are \$20 for adults, \$10 for ages 7-12, and free admission for those 6 and under.

Groundbreaking for the McKenzie County Ag Expo took place in the fall of 2021, with the intention of giving the fairgrounds a new home. Be sure to take in the sites and visit their exhibit hall, livestock expo, arena and grandstands.

You won't want to miss the tried-and-true tradition of the McKenzie County Fair, or making memories in their new location, McKenzie County Ag Expo located at 12880 25th St. NW, Watford City.

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Join McKenzie Co. Heritage Park & ND Oil Museum For Seasonal Opening May 27

By Megan Dotson
 The McKenzie County Heritage Park & North Dakota Oil Museum invites you to their seasonal opening Saturday, May 27, with extended summer hours, Wednesday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sundays from 1-5 p.m.
 Arts and crafts vendors will be set up so park goers can do a little shopping starting at 11 a.m. The local Lions Club will be serving burgers in the park starting at 11:30 a.m. so be sure to grab a bite to eat before or after strolling the six acres of exhibits including several historical McKenzie County buildings that have been relocated to the grounds. These include a barber shop, blacksmithing shop, homestead shack, church, George Shafer's Law Office and the "end of the line" train depot from the Great Northern Railroad. The McKenzie County Heritage Park & North Dakota Oil Museum also has antique

cars and farming equipment for viewing, as well as several exhibits and artifacts housed in the museum. Be sure to also check out their wooly mammoth femur bone, tusk and tooth.
 In November 2022, the former Pioneer Museum relocated their exhibits and artifacts to McKenzie County Heritage Park & North Dakota Oil Museum. Formerly located in the Long X Trading Post Visitor Center, the decision was made to transfer items from the Pioneer Museum as the Long X Trading Post Visitor Center is transitioning to the Long X Arts Foundation.
 One of these relocated exhibits is the Charles Bannon exhibit; Bannon confessed to killing the Haven family who lived near Schafer, ND. Despite being detained by authorities, in January 1931 a lynch mob broke down the jailhouse door, overpowered the deputy sheriff and took Ban-

non, ultimately hanging him from the bridge over Cherry Creek. It was the last lynching in North Dakota and the story was recently told in the movie "End of the Rope", which was filmed in the area. In fact, the McKenzie County Heritage Center & Oil Museum has the entire movie set open for public viewing.
 The grand opening of the North Dakota Oil Museum has been postponed until construction on the building is finished. Additionally, a full-size oil pumping unit still needs to be moved in.
 Don't miss out on this blast-from-the-past opportunity to kick off your summer! Stop by the McKenzie County Heritage Park & North Dakota Oil Museum, located at 904 2nd Ave. SW, Watford City. For more information call 701-842-6434, visit them online at visitwatfordcity.com, or check them out on Facebook.



McKenzie County Heritage Park & Oil Museum's seasonal opening will extend hours Wednesday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sundays from 1-5 p.m. (Photo provided by McKenzie County Heritage Park & Oil Museum)

Free Community Kick-Off Concert For Summer Reading

Submitted by Kelly Reisig, MBA Director
 (Sidney) - Watford City, ND musician and children's author Jessie Veeder will be live in-concert on Saturday, June 10, at 5 p.m.
 Jessie Veeder has been a symbol of folk music in western North Dakota since she released her first original album when she was only 16 years old. It was an effort that took her from performing at fairs and festivals around her home state to managing a national college and coffeehouse tour and launching a music career that recently landed her in Nashville to record her fifth original album.
 Since then, she has gone on to tour nationally and record five more albums, the latest, "Playing Favorites" released in 2020. Jessie's nationally acclaimed song "Boomtown," a folk ballad about life for people in the Bakken has been featured on area news programs, national and international documentaries, and put her on the frontlines of telling the story of the community in oil country.
 Since 2010, Jessie and her husband, Chad, have worked alongside her father as the fourth

generation stewards of the Veeder Ranch where she chronicles life on the land as a weekly columnist for state-wide newspapers and on her popular blog titled "Meanwhile, back at the ranch..." They connect listeners to the ranch weekly on their podcast by the same name.
 The couple are raising two daughters, Edie, 7 and Rosie, 5. Jessie's book "Coming Home," released in 2017, is a compilation of her favorite photos, poems, stories, and recipes. In 2022, Jessie released her first children's book, "Prairie Princess," to help tell the story of rural living and ranch life through the eyes of a young girl. She tours extensively in the upper Midwest as an entertainer, motivational speaker and advocate for agriculture, rural living and the messy side of motherhood.
 In addition to her career, Jessie is a founding member of McKenzie County's Long X Arts Foundation where she works to help create and promote cultural and arts-based activities in her hometown, blending her love and connection to the arts with her drive to make her community a better place to

work and live.
 Jessie has taken the stage multiple times at the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering and the Red Ants Pants Music Festival. She was named 2016 and 2017's Favorite North Dakota Folk Artist; is a recipient of the North Dakota Ambassador Award and North Dakota Governor's Award in the Arts in individual achievement.
 "This is our second time to have Jessie in the community. She visited the library after the release of her children's book. Many of our patrons have been asking for her to return, and the opportunity to have a community kick-off concert for summer reading worked out perfectly!", explained Kelly Reisig, library director.
 Community organizations will be invited to set up and provide free activities for the kids, and a limited number of food vendors will be allowed. No power will be provided for booth or vendor spaces. For more information on either of these options, please contact Library Director Kelly Reisig at the library.
 Find out more at www.veederranch.com and jessieveedermusic.com.

Sidney's Memorial Day Program

Submitted by Tim Tharp, President, VFW Auxiliary to VFW Post 4099
 Sidney is home to a unique program called "The Flags of Honor" which originated in 1965. This program originally began as a community effort with members of 13 civic organizations who made the decision to ask members of the community to donate any casket flags from deceased veterans. The organizers were able to obtain 83 flags for the first Memorial Day parade in 1966. Materials and labor were donated to make bins for the flags, agate name plates, flag poles, and people willing to be caretakers of the flags. On Memorial Day the flags were displayed in the original Nutter Park located on 4th St. SE and a grand parade through Sidney included members of the community carrying the flags. Veterans' Day was also the sight of the parade of casket flags. During the remainder of the year the flags were stored in the basement of City Hall until 1989.
 By 1975, most of the original organizers of the Flags of Honor had died and the number of flags became too numerous for the original caretakers, the World War 1 Ladies Auxiliary. The Ladies Auxiliary VFW (now VFW Auxiliary since 2015 as men can now join) began the job of caretakers for the 200 flags. It soon became apparent that the job was more efficient with only a couple people. The storage area

in the basement of City Hall was being overcrowded and had problems with humidity.
 In the mid '80s efforts began to find a new home for the "Flags of Honor" and several years later it became a reality. The entire facility is located in what was called Central Park, now Veterans Memorial Park, and consists of public bathrooms, a stage area, a concessions area, and a storage room for the City. This was completed with the help of several different organizations. Community members were asked for financial and labor donations to make the existing Flag Room area a reality. Many hours were spent planning and painting the room, moving the flags, and making new name plates for the flags. The City of Sidney assisted in installing the cabinets. The first program at the new facility was in 1989 with 289 flags and enough cabinets to house them until more funds were raised.
 The Flags of Honor room is humidity controlled and is now home to over 650 flags behind glass doors. Once a year the flags are rearranged in alphabetically order. Because of the number or flags, approximately 130 flags are displayed in Veterans Park on Memorial Day. Various organizations have made it possible for new benches in front of the stage area, and sidewalks. The park is now called Veterans Memorial Park and a new statue of former Gov. Donald Nutter, a Sidney native, greets visitors to

the park. Gov. Nutter's flag is one of the 650 flags on display.
 In 2014, another major project was completed to increase the availability of space for more flags. Cabinets were built on top of the original cabinets and now display the 141 flags representing veterans from the Civil War, the Spanish American War, and WW1. These flags are no longer flown outside.
 Sidney is very proud to have the Lions Club help with posting a representation of these flags beginning at 7 a.m. on Memorial Day and take them down about 4 p.m. that evening. The rotation of displayed flags allows for a complete cycle every 4 years. Flags not flown, but are not in the retired section, can be checked out and carried folded or on a pole for the parade and refolded after the parade. The VFW has a Memorial Day program and service at the stage after the parade. A picnic in the park follows the program.
 The program is funded entirely by donations. Anyone wishing to make a monetary donation or to donate their flag can take it to City Hall with the necessary information. The 5th grade classes tour the facility annually. Private tours can be arranged by contacting Violet Tharp, 406-488-1173 or 406-489-1234; or Margaret Bradley 406-488-4613 or 406-489-1535.

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Home Instead: New Healthcare Provider

By Robyn Heck
There is a new home health care business called Home Instead that services Watford City, Alexander, Medora, and Dickinson. Home Instead, the world's leading provider of in-home care for older adults, has earned prestigious accolades for its leadership from Entrepreneur, Franchise Times, and the Canadian Franchise Association. This flood of recognition reinforces the company's standing among elite franchise opportunities. Entrepreneur included Home Instead in its inaugu-

ral Hall of Fame for being among its Franchise 500 for 26 consecutive years. Laura Dillman and business partner Annie Brown live in Grassy Butte, ND. Annie is an expert nurse who has over 11 years of experience in nursing at a care facility. The Home Instead business is based out of Killdeer, ND. They invested into a Franchise based out of Nebraska. Their mission is simple: Making people happy. Their goal is to keep the elderly engaged in their community. Senior care services from Home Instead help to

enhance the aging experience by providing practical support at home with a human touch. The professional caregivers immerse themselves into wherever home is, to assist with common activities of daily living and build a lasting relationship with you and your family. These home care services can help aging adults stay engaged in everyday life with tailor-made support by professional caregivers to stay safe and well at home. Their mission is to provide an elder care plan personalized to your family's needs to bring comfort, connection, and quality of life in the place

that they love the most, their home. "We are a non-medical care service that will come in and help with any everyday needs, such as: medical reminders, travel to medical appointments, cleaning, shower safety, coffee with friends, etc.," said co-owner Laura Dillman. "We hope to expand in the future. We are currently hiring people with caring hearts that want to make a difference." They like to match caregivers within the community of customers. Their rates are mileage based. Please call 1-701-764-HOME (4663).



Out Of The Darkness Walk Fundraiser Set For June 3

By Robyn Heck
You won't want to miss Jazz Age Jeopardy: A Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre & Scavenger Hunt in Two Acts I taking place on Saturday, June 3 at the Richland County Event Center from 7-10 p.m. Guests at the murder mystery party will be at a private party held at a jazz club in 1920s New York City. It is the height of the Jazz Age, and the social revolution is afoot. Furthermore, this is the age of Prohibition - and of bootleggers and gangsters. Club owner, Felix Fontano, the son of a successful bootlegger and crime boss -- and a successful businessman himself -- is throwing this private party for a group of select friends. It's a night of revelry like many other nights of revelry enjoyed by this group of sophisticates, artists, and hoodlums...until things go horribly wrong. Reserve your tickets today, \$30 for 1, \$55 for 2, or \$225 for a table of 8. Proceeds benefit the Eastern Montana Out of the Darkness Walk for Suicide Prevention. "Join us for an evening of fun while we raise funds to fight suicide!", said Chairman Nick Kallem.

Yellow Tag Paddlefish Season Started May 15

Submitted by Marla Prell, Communications & Education Program Manager, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Region 7
Miles City - The 2023 yellow tag paddlefishing season on the Yellowstone River and Missouri River downstream of Fort Peck Reservoir started Monday, May 15. Wednesday, May 17, will be the first harvest days of the season during which paddlefishing is allowed in all designated areas. Sunday, Monday and Thursday are designated catch-and-release days for paddlefish, and Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are harvest days. Catch-and-release days restrict paddlefishing to the Intake Fishing Access Site only near Glendive. The paddlefish season will run through June 30, unless catch rates approach

the 1,000-fish harvest cap and trigger an earlier closure. A free paddlefish cleaning service will be provided and funded by Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks at the Intake FAS for the first five weeks of the season. There is one regulation change to note this season. The entire length of the newly constructed two-mile-long Intake Bypass Channel is closed to paddlefishing. This new regulation was adopted after printing of the 2023 fishing regs booklet and is not listed. The bypass channel will remain open for passage of boats and angling for other fish species. Prior to construction of the bypass channel, fish migrating upstream to spawn would concentrate below Intake Diversion Dam and draw large crowds of anglers. But the new bypass could shift those historic

patterns and more widely disperse paddlefish upstream. High, turbid river flows trigger paddlefish to migrate, and area rivers are already on the rise. According to FWP Region 7 Fisheries Manager Mike Backes, river flows are predicted to increase modestly next week at Sidney. Flows on May 9 approached 20,000 cubic feet per second, which is generally adequate to stimulate a few fish to migrate upstream. Similar conditions are projected for opening week. Based on that, Backes anticipates that most angler success will come from downstream locations (Sidney Bridge-Richland Park-State Line), as the concentrations of fish will be higher in these locations. He expects fish densities will be low at Intake and upstream locations until river flows exceed 20,000 cfs.

"I do expect a few lucky anglers will find a paddlefish or two anywhere between Miles City and Intake the first harvest day, May 16, and certainly by the first week-end of paddlefish season Friday, May 19 and Saturday, May 20," Backes said. Paddlefish anglers are subject to mandatory harvest reporting within 48 hours via the phone hotline, MyFWP, angler check stations, or self-reporting boxes (Sidney Bridge and near Powder River Hwy 10 Bridge). Harvest data and updates will be available on the Region 7 Facebook site at Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks - Region 7. Daily updates may not be practical until nearing the harvest cap, but anglers can expect weekly updates.

Golden Roundup

Let's Put An End To Elder Abuse

By Jodi Berry
Let's talk about what no one is talking about... Remember that friend you used to have coffee with every Tuesday until a few months ago? At first you thought she was

busy because her adult son or daughter moved in with her, then you saw her at the doctor's office and she seemed to have aged 5 years over the last two months. Of course, you started to worry about

her health but could it be something else? One of the saddest "invisible" problems facing our elderly is the very real threat of elder abuse. It is estimated that one out of every ten seniors will encounter some sort of abuse (physical, psychological, sexual or verbal) or financial exploitation during their golden years; so why is it something we hear so little about? One of the answers is that many cases of elder abuse are unidentified and even more go unreported. Not all cases



have a neon sign clearly indicating what it is; most

are subtle and fear of making a wrongful accusation keeps many people, including those being abused, from speaking up. Often times it is because they feel ashamed or embarrassed or are in denial that the abuse is actually occurring. If the abuse involves a family member the victim may be worried that their abuser will get in trouble or they will end up in a nursing home if no one is there to take care of them. These are all real concerns but so is the reality of the crime. As we age it becomes harder to stay involved with and connected to our communities. As a result, older people are more likely to experience social isolation which increases their odds of abuse and neglect. It happens across all socioeconomic groups and cultures and can happen anywhere they are disconnected from social supports. These places can include the senior's own home, in institutional settings or even in hospitals. While anyone can be a target,

studies show that women and people over the age of 80 are the most likely to experience abuse. So what can we do to stop it? The biggest thing we can all do is to be aware!

- Keep in contact with your older friends and relatives
- Remain alert for the possibility of abuse
- Ask questions and really listen to the answers especially if you notice a change in an older adult
- Don't be afraid to report the situation

Elder abuse is an injustice with many consequences and is, unfortunately, a wide-spread problem. It is up to all of us to help prevent it and, when it happens, report it. Reports to Adult Protective Services remain anonymous and can be made on-line at <https://dphhs.mt.gov> or by calling 844-277-9300. Remember, aging is natural but abuse is not. Remain alert and keep a look out for your friends, neighbors and especially yourself.

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Pictured (L-R) are Ray Trumpower, Fairview Chamber president; baristas Olivia Mueller and Dylan Mead; Bridgette Washington, owner; Shnia Kelly, helper; Jayden Williams, baristo; and Jeremy Krieger, chamber member. Not pictured are Anessa Cayko, barista; and Bridgette’s husband Jovock. (Photo by Dianne Swanson)

By Dianne Swanson
The Fairview Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting at Sunshine Latte, Fairview, Tuesday, May 9. Stop by for a cup of the best coffee in town Monday-Saturday from 6 a.

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view Chamber member and plans to get involved in the community.
Sunshine Latte is located in the Loaf 'n Jug parking lot, just to the east of the store.



Dishon Welcomed As New Kiwanian

Jaimie Dishon, right, was welcomed into the Sidney Kiwanis Club on Thursday, April 27, sponsored by president Keith Bostrom. Dishon is the manager of the Best Western Golden Prairie Inn & Suites, the Richland Inn and Suites and the Lone Tree Motor Inn, all in Sidney. (Photo by Dianne Swanson)

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How Do You Know If Someone Is Having A Stroke?

Time is of the essence when a stroke occurs. Here are the signs to look for.

When someone has a stroke, recovery can be greatly impacted by how quickly medical treatment is received. Knowing what the symptoms of stroke look like can help you determine when someone needs help.

How can you tell if someone may be having a stroke?

Remember the words BE FAST! This acronym was created by the National Stroke Association to identify the warning signs of stroke:

B - BALANCE LOSS: Is the person suddenly having trouble with balance or coordination?

E - EYE SIGHT CHANGES: Is the person experiencing sudden blurred or double vision or a sudden loss of vision in one or both eyes without pain?

F - FACIAL DROOPING: Ask the person to smile. Is one side of the face drooping or hard to move?

A - ARM WEAKNESS: Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift down?

S - SPEECH DIFFICULTIES: Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Do you notice slurred speech or trouble forming words?

T - TIME: Time lost is brain lost. If you notice any of the above symptoms, call 911 right away.

Other symptoms of stroke include a sudden severe headache with no known cause, sudden numbness on one side of the body, trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination, and arm or leg weakness. If something seems "off" with someone and you suspect it's due to a stroke, call 911 immediately.

According to the National Stroke Association, 87% of all strokes are ischemic, which means that the stroke is due to an obstruction within a vessel supplying blood to the brain, such as a blood clot. If people with ischemic strokes get to the hospital quickly enough, a clot-busting drug known as tissue plasminogen activator (tPA) may improve chances of recovery.

It's a race against the clock to administer tPA in time to improve stroke outcomes, which is why it's so important that a person

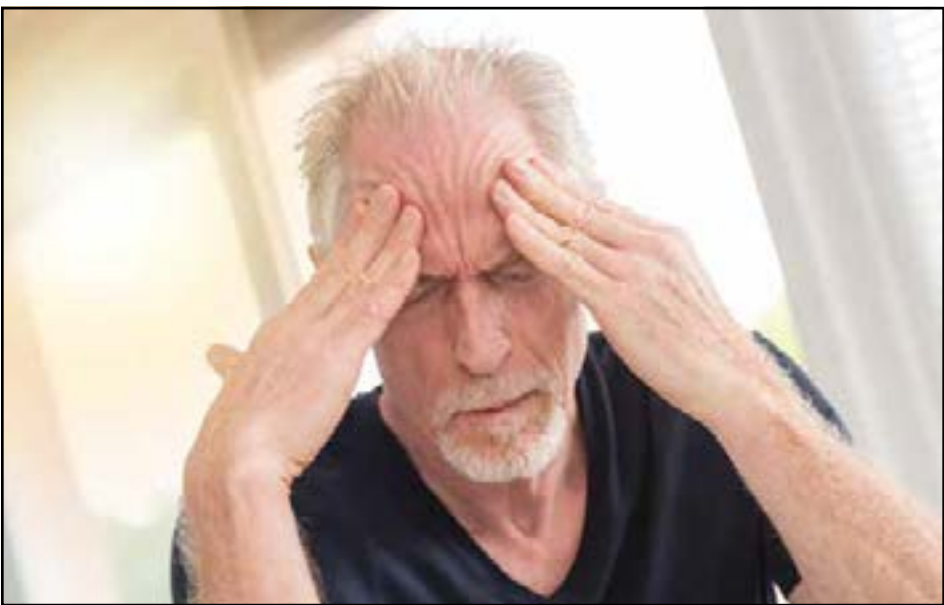


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having a stroke get to the hospital as quickly as possible. The drug helps restore blood flow to the brain by dissolving the blood clot causing the stroke, but there is a limited window of time when tPA can be used.

For maximum effectiveness, tPA should be given within three hours of when a stroke starts. In some cases, the drug may be given up to 4.5 hours from stroke symptom onset. But the sooner a person is treated, the better the odds of recovery. The most important factor in the successful treatment of stroke is getting treatment as quickly as possible.

If you suspect a stroke, always call 911. Remember, it's important to act FAST.

If you experience a life-threatening emergency, dial 9-1-1. The Sidney Health Center Emergency Department is staffed by medical personnel trained in emergency care including a team of board-certified physicians, nurses, hospital personnel and EMTs, who provide emergency services 24/7. The Emergency Department is available to treat major and minor illnesses and injuries. To access emergency care, use the emergency entrance located on 12th Ave. SW, Sidney.

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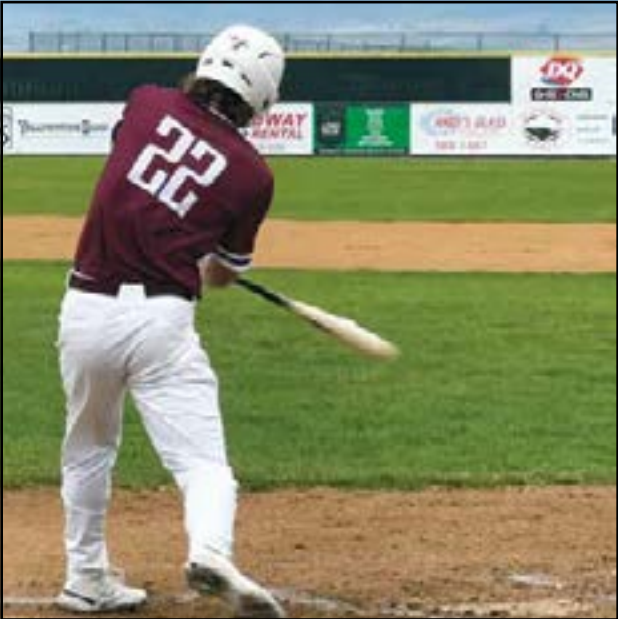
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The Sidney Eagles Baseball team wrapped up the final day of the inaugural season with a 13-4 win over Lone Peak and a 7-10 loss to East Helena. Their final record stands at 6-9. Congratulations on a successful season Eagles and coaches. Pictured: Smacking the ball in the mountains is #22 Kayson Radke. (Photo by Robyn Heck)



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Schedule of Events:

Friday, May 26th

9am	Javelin - "C" (B)
	Shot Put - "A" (G)
10:30am	Trials - 400 M Relay - "C" (G) - 3 heats
	Trials - 400 M Relay - "A" (G) - 2 heats
	Trials - 400 M Relay - "C" (B) - 3 heats
	Trials - 400 M Relay - "A" (B) - 2 heats
	Discus - "C" (G)
11:00am	Long Jump - "A" (G)
	Long Jump - "C" (B)
	High Jump - "A" (B)
11:20am	Trials - 100 M Hurdles - "C" (G) - 2 heats
	Trials - 100 M Hurdles - "A" (G) - 2 heats
	Trials - 110 M Hurdles - "C" (B) - 2 heats
	Trials - 110 M Hurdles - "A" (B) - 2 heats
12:15pm	Javelin - "A" (G)
12:30pm	Finals - 800 M Run - "C" (G)
	Finals - 800 M Run - "C" (B)
12:55pm	Trials - 100 M Dash - "C" (G) - 3 heats
	Trials - 100 M Dash - "A" (G) - 2 heats
	Trials - 100 M Dash - "C" (B) - 3 heats
	Trials - 100 M Dash - "A" (B) - 2 heats
1:30pm	Long Jump - "A" (B)
	Long Jump - "C" (G)
	High Jump - "A" (G)
	1:45 Discus - "C" (B)
	Shot Put - "A" (B)
1:40pm	Finals - 1600 M Run - "A" (G)
	Finals - 1600 M Run - "A" (B)
2:10pm	Trials - 200 M Dash - "C" (G) - 3 heats
	Trials - 200 M Dash - "A" (G) - 2 heats
	Trials - 200 M Dash - "C" (B) - 3 heats
	Trials - 200 M Dash - "A" (B) - 2 heats
2:50pm	Finals - 3200 M Run - "C" (G)
	Finals - 3200 M Run - "C" (B)
3:30pm	Finals - 400 M Dash - "C" (G) - 2 sections
	Finals - 400 M Dash - "A" (G) - 2 sections
	Finals - 400 M Dash - "C" (B) - 2 sections
	Finals - 400 M Dash - "A" (B) - 2 sections

Saturday, May 27th

9am	Javelin - "A" (B)
	Shot Put - "C" (G)
10:30am	Finals - 400 M Relay - "C" (G)
	Finals - 400 M Relay - "A" (G)
	Finals - 400 M Relay - "C" (B)
	Finals - 400 M Relay - "A" (B)
	Triple Jump - "C" (G)
	Triple Jump - "A" (B)
	High Jump - "C" (B)
	Discus - "A" (G)
11:05am	Finals - 100 M Hurdles - "C" (G)
	Finals - 100 M Hurdles - "A" (G)
	Finals - 110 M Hurdles - "C" (B)
	Finals - 110 M Hurdles - "A" (B)
12pm	Shot Put - Unified (G/B)
12:05pm	Finals - 800 M Run - "A" (G)
	Finals - 800 M Run - "A" (B)
12:15pm	Javelin - "C" (G)
12:35pm	Finals - 300 M Hurdles - "C" (G) - 3 sections
	Finals - 300 M Hurdles - "A" (G) - 2 sections
	Finals - 300 M Hurdles - "C" (B) - 3 sections
	Finals - 300 M Hurdles - "A" (B) - 2 sections
1:25pm	Finals - 100 M Dash - "C" (G)
	Finals - 100 M Dash - "A" (G)
	Finals - 100 M Dash - "C" (B)
	Finals - 100 M Dash - "A" (B)
1:30pm	Triple Jump - "C" (B)
	Triple Jump - "A" (G)
	High Jump - "C" (G)
1:45pm	Discus - "A" (B)
	Shot Put - "C" (B)
1:50pm	Finals - 1600 M Run - "C" (G)
	Finals - 1600 M Run - "C" (B)
2:20pm	Finals - 200 M Dash - "C" (G)
	Finals - 200 M Dash - "A" (G)
	Finals - 200 M Dash - "C" (B)
	Finals - 200 M Dash - "A" (B)
2:40pm	Finals - 400 M Relay - Unified (G)
	Finals - 400 M Relay - Unified (B)
3pm	Long Jump - Unified (G/B)
3:05pm	Finals - 3200 M Run - "A" (G)
	Finals - 3200 M Run - "A" (B)
3:40pm	Finals - 100 M Dash - Unified (G)
	Finals - 100 M Dash - Unified (B)
3:55pm	Finals - 1600 M Relay - "C" (G) - 3 sections
	Finals - 1600 M Relay - "C" (B) - 3 sections
	Finals - 1600 M Relay - "A" (G) - 2 sections
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Lambert Ambulance EMTs Donated AED To Lambert Sports Complex



Pictured is Gary Hill EMT, Yvette Lien AEMT and Kara Triplett Lambert School Athletic Director. (Photo submitted by Yvette Lien)

Submitted by Yvette Lien
The Lambert Ambulance, with their Foundation for Community Care funds, has donated an AED to the Lambert Sports Complex.

Yvette Lien, AEMT and former Foundation board member, knew there were generous donations from our community in memory or honor of people in the local community. Yvette talked with the other Lambert EMTs and they all agreed that this was a great use of these

funds.
The Lambert Sports Complex hosts many track meets, football games and other community events. Having an AED on-site at all times ensures that if someone has a cardiac event, that an AED can be used quickly and increase their chances of survival.

AEDs are made for the general public to use safely while EMS is being dispatched. Lana Watson, AEMT, got the device ordered and the Lambert School installed it.

The EMTs and Lambert School staff think this is a great addition to our beautiful sports complex. "Hopefully we never have to use it, but we have it if needed. We thank all the donors that contributed to the Lambert Ambulance fund through the Foundation to help this happen."

Sidney Senior Class Scavenger Hunt May 21

The Sidney High School Seniors graduate on Sunday, May 21 and a group of junior parents are putting together an event for the senior class from 9 p.m.-dawn.

Students will scavenger hunt around town for prizes and "money". At dawn they will have a Chinese style auction for prizes.

Organizer Robyn Heck said, "If it keeps one person from drinking on graduation night, it will be worth it."

Heck and her committee are collecting donations and funds for the event. If you would like to contribute with a donation or be open to participate in the event, please contact Robyn Heck at 406-480-0704, robynheck@hotmail.com., or send a Facebook message.

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