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Big Sky Concert Series Brings Family Friendly Alex Zerbe, "The Zaniac" To Perform March 26th At The MonDak Heritage Center



Submitted by Jill Hill, Northeastern Arts Network

The Northeastern Arts Network Big Sky Concert Season ends in a bang on Thursday, March 26th with Alex Zerbe – "The Zaniac". Alex is a two-time Guinness World Record holder who was voted Seattle's Funniest Prop Comic. He has appeared on prime-time television in three countries including the hit NBC TV shows, "America's Got Talent!" and "Last Comic Standing." Alex is a Hacky Sack World Champion, half of the award-winning comedy act, Brothers from Different Mothers, and, as if that wasn't amazing enough, he was ranked Seattle's 3rd Best Air Guitarist! Alex Zerbe's comedy show is a dynamic array of amazing stunts, physical comedy and audience participation.

A self-described "human cartoon", his show isn't only for the kids in the family. "I try to make my show like the movie Shrek, super entertaining for the kids but there's a whole other level of comedy for teens and adults," says Zerbe.

Don't miss the finale of the season! This concert will be held at the MonDak Heritage Center at 7:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the door, \$15/Adults, \$13/Srs., and \$10/Students. For additional concert information contact Candy Markwald 406-488-4155, Jill Hill 406-489-4304, or Karen Boehler 406-433-4375.

The Big Sky Series is made possible in part by through grant support from Montana's Cultural Trust, Montana Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts, the Montana Performing Arts Consortium and the Western States Arts Federation (WESTAF).



Watford City Area Business Leaders Welcome Oil & Gas Economist

Watford City Area Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Corp. annual meeting featured speaker to discuss global oil market

Watford City, N.D.—The Watford City Area Chamber of Commerce and the Watford City Economic Development Corporation are pleased to announce that the annual meeting is scheduled for March 4th, 2015 at 5:30 pm and will be held at the Outlaw's Ballroom in Watford City. The event will include a social hour starting at 5:30 pm followed by dinner at 6:30 pm.

This year's featured speaker is Dr. Loren C. Scott, founder of Loren C. Scott & Associates, a Louisiana based consulting firm. Dr. Scott's presentation, "The Price of Oil: What Happened; how long will it last?" The presentation will address several key questions, including: When the price drops sharply and a lot who is the culprit; Did you notice the price drop started with the DOC decision to allow oil exports; What role

does the Bakken play have in all this; Why should we be concerned about the "edges" in all the shale plays; Are oil prices going to stay this low or is there realistic hope for at least some reversal?

"The Bakken is one of the few economic engines in this country. We hope people will join us to learn more about this industry and what Dr. Scott has to say about the future of this industry," said Darick Franzen, Watford City Area Chamber of Commerce president.

In addition to the featured speaker presentation, the EDC will debut, "Voices of Watford City" a video-based program with a new website that features stories of Watford City residents in their own words. The goal of the project is to allow Watford City residents an opportunity to provide an informative, visual

and dynamic place for those seeking information about the area. This video-based project will give a sense of what it's like to live and work in Watford City.

Tickets for the event are \$50.00 per person. Anyone interested in attending should contact Mary Gumke chamber coordinator at 701-570-5084 or at wcchamber@restel.com.

About: The Watford City Area Chamber of Commerce serves, supports and promotes businesses in the Watford City, N.D. area. The chamber focuses on professional development, business development, community promotion and retail. The Watford City Economic Development Corporation is a private, non-profit organization working to expand existing business in the community and to create new business opportunities in the area.

Building Dreams For The Boys & Girls Club

Building Dreams is this year's theme for the Boys & Girls Club Annual Event. The event will take place on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at the Richland County Fair Event Center. Building on the tradition of the annual sports memorabilia auction and dinner, the event has evolved to include more. A special addition this year is the attendees chance to see the plans and progress of the new Boys & Girls Clubhouse. Special guest & architect Lindsay Saboe Schack, 1996 Sidney High School graduate, will give a tour of the new Clubhouse, virtually that is. Attendees will also have the opportunity to support the Club by purchasing auction items and packages, or claiming a piece of the building—or program within it—to support.

Sponsors of this year's Building Dreams event are The Dayton Foundation, The Grosinsky Foundation, The Svarre Foundation, MonDak API, Tri-County Implement and XTO Energy.

The Boys & Girls Club of Richland County has helped build dreams for nearly 1,000 Club kids and their families since its inception in 2004. Over the last 11 years the Club has struggled to gain its footing in a stable location. When the

thought of purchasing an empty school building vanished, building a new Clubhouse became the best option for the Club. Meanwhile, through the generosity of the Sidney School District, Central Elementary hosts the BGC's after-school program. The Club has served a total of 140 Club members this school year and daily attendance regularly surpasses 100 members. While the program serves Club kids in spite of not having its own home, the lack of space currently prevents far more youth from participating in the Club's strong programming. The new Clubhouse will serve up to 300 Club kids at any given time, including summers.

Thus, the Building Dreams event will seek to raise funds for the new Clubhouse and the programs that Club kids and parents have come to expect. A sneak preview of auction items will begin via the BGC website & on Facebook the week of March 8.

A Buy-It-Now option on most Silent Auction items will be available for bidders who can't wait for their favorite item or who don't want to chance being out-bid. Bidders will be allowed to reserve their favorite item or package for retail price plus 10%. Contact

Mary Hernandez for additional details at (406) 690-2967.

Master of Ceremonies Jessie Nesper will guide us through the evening's schedule of:

5pm: Doors open & social hour begins with drinks, hors d'oeuvres by Kountry Catering, raffles, grab bags.

6:45 Silent Auction sections begin to close.

7pm Special Program & Announcements

7:30 Heads or Tails

8pm Live Auction with Dan Goss

8:55 Final sections of Silent Auction close

Fun Wrap-up with MC Jessie Nesper

Special guest & Architect Lindsay Saboe Schack will be on hand throughout the evening to answer questions about the new Clubhouse.

Tickets for this fun event are \$50 per person and are available at the Chamber of Commerce, the Sidney Herald and on-line at www.richlandbgc.org.

Reserve your tickets today!

For information please contact Mary Hernandez, the Club's Interim Director, at (406) 690-2967.

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Noon — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.
6 p.m. — Al-Anon, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.
7 p.m. — Fairview Alive and Kicking at Faith Alliance Church, 704 S. Western Ave.
8 p.m. — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

TUESDAYS:
7 p.m. — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

WEDNESDAYS:
5:00 p.m. — Sober Life Young People’s NAAA 12- step recovery group, 25 yr. old & younger, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.
8 p.m. — Al-Anon, Sanford Room, McKenzie Co. Public Library, Watford City.

THURSDAYS:
7 p.m. — NA meeting, MonDak Trucking office Bldg., 725 W. Holly, Sidney.
8 p.m. — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

FRIDAYS:
noon — AA, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.- 5 Stones faith based recovery meeting, Sidney Nazarene, 606 9th St. SW, Back door is open.
7 p.m. — Fairview Alive and Kicking at Faith Alliance Church, 704 S. Western Ave.
7 p.m. — Watford City area Celebrate Recovery, Assembly of God, 2117 S. Main. For help call Robert 417-296-2809 or Stephanie 417-296-2810.
8 p.m. — AA meetings, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. Bldg, Sidney.

SATURDAYS:
7P.M. — AA 24 hour group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.
9 a.m. & 7 p.m. — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

SUNDAYS:
7 p.m. — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney

STATISTICS

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Last Week’s Elev.1839.1

One Year Ago1831.7

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SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Feb. 23	37	2	0.00
Feb. 24	36	27	0.00
Feb. 25	27	-2	0.00
Feb. 26	15	-8	0.00
Feb. 27	30	-5	0.00
Feb. 28	22	3	0.00
March 1	28	9	0.00
Total YTD Precipitation			0.57

Tickets Are On Sale For The Fourth Annual Brewfest; Volunteers Needed

By Meagan Dotson

The fourth annual Bakken Brewfest, one of three fundraisers for the Chamber of Commerce, will be held Saturday April 18th at the Event Center in Sidney. It will be an evening of entertainment with good food, good music and a variety of different brews to be sampled. There will be approximately sixty types of beer with fifteen brews from Montana breweries. The Laughing Sun Brewery out of Bismark, ND will be there and Blue Rock will also be providing microbrews, specialty beers that are produced on a mass scale. The Meadowlark and Bayern out of Missoula, MT will both have firkins, which are wooden containers full of beer that will be tapped at 7:00pm. The Meadowlark Brewery and the Beaver Creek Brewery will be producing an Eastern Montana Coalition Beer, as well.

General Admission tickets are \$50 and ticket holders will be accommodated starting at 7:00pm until 10:00pm when beer will stop being served. They will receive a glass for sampling, complimentary food provided by the Ranger, and a free shuttle pass compliments of the Sidney Chamber. Holler n’ Pine from Bozeman, MT will be playing a variety of bluegrass, folk, and alternative-country music throughout the evening.

For VIP ticket holders, \$100, there will be an early admittance at 5:30pm with a special session performed by the Holler n’ Pines. In addition to all the amenities of general admittance, there will be a pig roast from 5:30 to 7:00pm prepared by Greg Mohr and they will receive an All-Access Pass to the VIP Beer Room offering exclusive seasonal and specialty brews; as a gift from the Bakken Brewfest, VIPS will get a custom bar-style bottle opener. Some brewers will be present to answer ques-

tions and speak with guests. Tables are available for purchase as well, \$1500 for a table that seats ten and \$1200 for a table that seats eight; these tables are limited, so anyone interested should reserve their table as soon as possible. Tickets are currently for sale and can be purchased at the Sidney Chamber of Commerce, the Meadowlark Brewery, and the Beaver Creek Brewery in Wibaux, MT.

The Photo Brewth will be making its return, with a backdrop set up complete with props for guests to pose and take pictures. Last year’s winner of the Photo Brewth Picture Post was Holle Sichelstiel and the lucky winner’s prize is a ticket to this year’s Brewfest.

A new addition to this year’s festivities will be the Merchandise Booth where keg-style growlers and hydro-flasks will be available for purchase for \$50 each.

As the date approaches, the Brewfest committee prepares to make it a fun and interesting event for everyone involved. They are currently looking for volunteers to serve beer throughout the night. To show their appreciation for the donated time and energy, the Chamber will be giving each volunteer a 2015 Bakken Brewfest Shirt, a complimentary gift, a glass, and invite them to enjoy the food and entertainment. All volunteers must be serve-safe certified, a three hour class that will be held March 30 from 1:00pm to 4:00 pm and on April 17 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm at the Community Services Building. The classes will be provided at no cost through District II Drug and Alcohol; the certification is good for three years and only those who have current certification will be exempt from the class. If individuals want to pursue certification on their own, it must be complete by April 17. Approximately twenty-five volunteers are still needed for pouring. If anyone is interested in helping with set-up, it will start at 9:00am on Friday April 17 and tear-down will be at 9:00am on Sunday April 19. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Marissa Eberling at the Chamber of Commerce, 406-433-1916 or Alli Nelson at 406-580-6031.

OBITUARIES

Joseph Lester, 723, Fairview, MT

Memorial services for Joseph Lester, 73, of Miles City, MT (formerly of Fairview, MT) will be at 2:00 p.m., Friday, March 6, 2015 at Fairview Alliance Church with Pastor Kelly Sloan officiating. Inurnment will take place in Yellowstone Point Cemetery, Cartwright, ND, at a later date under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home. Remembrances, condolences and pictures can be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Joseph died on Sunday, February 22, 2015 at the VA Nursing Home in Miles City, MT.

Janis Carlson Dahlberg, 77, Brockton, MT (formerly of Richey, MT)

Funeral services for Janis Carlson Dahlberg, age 77, of Brockton, MT (formerly of Richey, MT) are at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, March 5, 2015, at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Richey with Pastors Paul Sponheim and Vaughn White officiating. Interment will be in the Richey Cemetery, Richey, MT under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney. Remembrances, condolences and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Janis died Thursday, February 26, 2015, at St. Joseph’s Hospital in Dickinson, ND.

Land Reclamation Workshop Offered On March 13

Submitted by Marcia Hellandsaas, NDSU Extension Office McKenzie County

Land owners faced with land reclamation challenges are encouraged to attend the workshop “Land Reclamation: Developing Your Plan” from 10 am to 3 pm CT on Friday, March 13 in the Ballroom of Outlaw’s Restaurant in Watford City. Lunch will be provided by First International Bank and Trust of Watford City. Pre-registration is requested by Tuesday, March 10. Please contact the McKenzie County Extension office at 701-444-3451 to make your reservations.

Agenda items will include:

- “Development of a pre-plan for reclamation through a baseline inventory checklist” by Dr. Kevin Sedivec, NDSU Extension Service rangeland management specialist
- “Recommendations for surface use agreements, easements and surface issues” by David Saxowsky, associate professor, Agriculture and Applied Economics Departments
- “Suggested methods of communication with partners, neighbors and other entities involved in reclamation”, Jodi Bruns, NDSU Extension Service community vitality specialist

A panel discussion featuring local landowners and land reclamation issues will wrap up the workshop.

For complete information, please contact the McKenzie County Extension Office at 701-444-3451.

Basic Beginnings Parenting Class Offered

By Marcia Hellandsaas, NDSU Extension Office McKenzie County

Basic Beginnings, a parenting class for new or expecting parents (or families who will welcome a baby after a long break) will be held on Wednesday evenings – March 11, 18, 25 and April 1 at the McKenzie County Extension Office, 201 5th Street NW, in Watford City. Each class will begin at 5:30 pm and conclude by 7:30 pm. A light supper will be included. Pre-registration is requested prior to attending. Please contact the McKenzie County Extension Office at 701-444-3451 to register or email marcia.hellandsaas@ndsu.edu.

Topics of sessions will include the basics of infant care as it relates to bonding, attachment, health, sleep, feeding and growth and development.

Instructor will be Extension Agent Marcia Hellandsaas. Participants will learn through hands-on activities, demonstrations, discussion and facilitation. Class participants will receive a workbook.

Classes are free of charge.

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

Fri., March 6th
12:00 p.m. - Brownbagger lunch at the USDA-NPARK featuring Dr. Mark Dixon, an Associate Professor of Biology at the University of South Dakota, will be speaking on the effects of the 2011 flood on cottonwood forests along the Missouri River.

Tues., March 10th
6:30 p.m. - 2015 Hunter education class registration at Eastern Ag Research Center, 1501 North Central Ave., Sidney.
7:00 p.m. - Fairview School Board Meeting in the Fairview High School Board Room.

Fri., March 13th
11:30 a.m. - Richland Red Hatters luncheon, Sidney Country Club. RSVP by March 11 to Sylvia 798-3882.

Sat., March 14th
1-4 p.m. - BPA Spring Carnival and Easter Egg Hunt, Sidney High School gym.
5 - 9:30 p.m. - Boys & Girls Club of Richland County fundraiser “Building Dreams: Great Futures Start Here” Annual Event & Auction at the Richland County Event Center. Tickets \$50/person available at the Sidney Chamber of Commerce, The Sidney Herald and online at www.richlandbgc.org. Attire is black tie & blue jeans.

Thurs., March 26th
7:00 p.m. - Big Sky Concert Series presents Alex Zerbe “The Zaniac” at the MonDak Heritage Center. A self-described “human cartoon”, his show isn’t only for the kids in the family. Don’t miss the finale of the Big Sky Concert Series! Tickets can be purchased at the door, for additional details contact Candy Markwald 406-488-4155, Jill Hill 406-489-4304, or Karen Boehler 406-433-4375.

Sat., March 28th
6:00 p.m. - Walleye’s Unlimited Banquet at Richland County Event Center.

Sat., April 18th - Fourth Annual Bakken Brewfest hosted by the Sidney Chamber of Commerce at the Event Center in Sidney. Tickets are on sale now, general admission \$50 and VIP tickets \$100. Newly added to this years festivities, a merchandise booth with keg-style growlers and hydro-flasks will be available for purchase. Old favorites will also be a feature such as the Photo Brewth along with approximately sixty types of beer, fifteen brews from Montana breweries along with The Laughing Sun Brewery out of Bismark. Tickets can be purchased at the Sidney Chamber of Commerce, the Meadowlark Brewery, and the Beaver Creek Brewery in Wibaux.

McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

Wed., March 4th
5:30 p.m. - Save the date for the 2015 Chamber of Commerce/EDC Annual Meeting! This year’s meeting will be held at Outlaw’s Bar & Grill. Tickets are now on sale and must be purchased in advance by calling the Chamber at 701-570-5084 or via email at wcchamber@restel.com.

DAWSON COUNTY

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

Wed., March 18th
12:00 p.m. - Please join us for our March Lunch’n’Learn at the Glendive Public Library. Tareena Stortz will talk about “Annals to Trees.” This will cover the proper placement, planting, watering, and care for a whole range of plants.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

March 11th & 12th
Job Service Spring Job Fair in Williston, ND. First day will be only oilfield, second day will be all industry jobs. Sponsored by Job Service North Dakota, Williston Economic Development, Grand Williston Hotel, Williston Herald, and Williston Area Chamber of Commerce.

Sat., March 21st
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - 10th annual Boozefighters MC St. Patty’s Party. Bike show & charity fundraiser for the Family Crisis Shelter. Located at the New Armory, 10 Main St., Williston. General admission \$5, children 12 & under free.

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www.roundupweb.com

2011 Flood Impacts On Missouri Focus Of March 6 Brownbagger

By Beth Redlin, Technical Information Specialist
USDA/ARS

In 2011 the Missouri River recorded the highest flows on record since construction of the dams authorized by the Pick Sloan Plan. The subsequent flooding from Montana to Missouri has and will have significant impacts on the river system, its channel and surrounding ag and riparian forest lands. On Friday, March 6, at noon Dr. Mark Dixon, an Associate Professor of Biology at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD, will be discussing his research into the flood's impacts on the cottonwood forests which lined the river.

His talk, entitled "Effects of the 2011 Flood on Cottonwood Forests along the Missouri River," is the third in the USDA-Agricultural Research Service's Northern Plains Agricultural Research Laboratory (NPARL) 2015 BrownBagger series. This special "remote" presentation begins at noon on Friday and is open to the public. The event is live and will include a Question and Answer period.

"I will discuss the lessons that this flood has taught us about both the possibilities and constraints that regulated rivers pose for process-based restoration of cottonwood forests," Dixon says.

Dr. Dixon's research examines pre-flood (2006-2009) to post-flood (2012-2014) changes in riparian forest vegetation, floodplain land cover, and plains cottonwood recruitment along multiple segments of the Missouri River between Montana and Missouri. Woody stem density declined sharply in young riparian forests after the flood and many areas of previously established young forest were converted to sandbar or river, his study has shown. Although widespread cottonwood recruitment occurred following the flood, the prolonged flood peak in 2011 restricted

most cottonwood recruitment to low sandbar positions in 2012, with the exception of the Fort Peck reach, where flows were more suitable for promoting cottonwood recruitment at overbank positions in 2011.

Currently, Dr. Dixon is on sabbatical at the USGS Columbia Environmental Research Center in Columbia, Missouri, and will be doing his presentation remotely from that location. The overall goal of the study is to use analyses of historic land cover change, in conjunction with vegetation sampling to forecast future changes in cottonwood forest area, composition, and age structure within the historic Missouri River floodplain.

Bring your lunch and join us Friday for this informative talk. We'll provide the treats!

NPARL's 2015 BrownBagger series is held in the lab's Tech Transfer Room on Fridays, from noon to 1 p.m. The lab is located at 1500 N. Central Avenue in Sidney, MT. Remaining speakers in the 2015 BrownBagger series include:

March 20 – Upendra Sainju, NPAPL Soil Scientist, "Mulching and Nitrogen

Fertilization Effects on Soil Water and Wheat Yield in China" (incorporating another interesting ag travelogue)

March 27 – Ashok Alva, NPAPL Soil Scientist, "Nutrient and Irrigation Best Management Practices for Potato"

April 3 – Lance Vermiere, ARS Range Ecologist, Miles City, MT, TBA

For more information, contact Beth Redlin at 406-433-9427.

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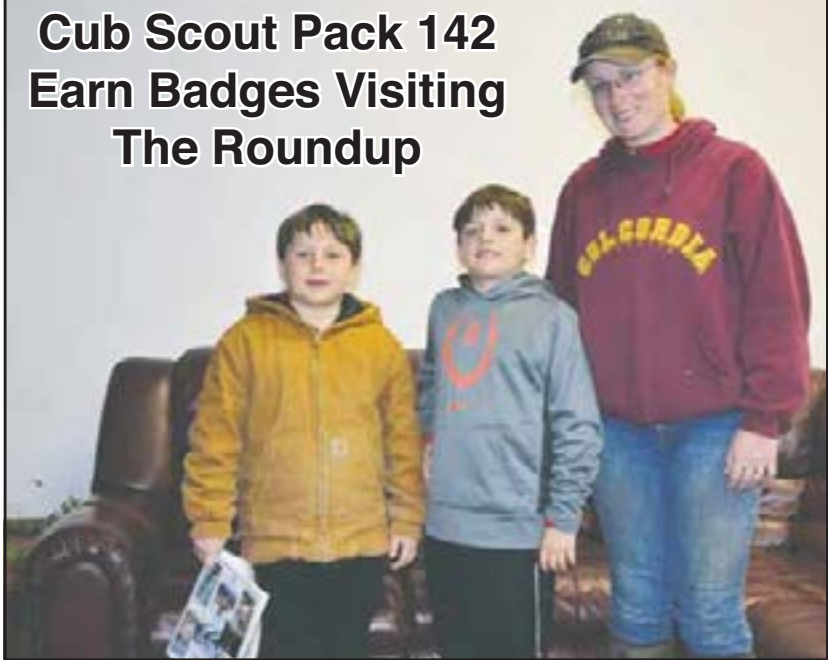


Tree damage resulting from flooding along the Missouri in 2011.



(L to R) Cub Scout B. Bushnell, Cub Scout R. Bushnell and Cubmaster Briana Lassey came to earn a badge and learn about the newspaper business while visiting The Roundup.

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Richland County DUI Task Forces Purchases Lapel Cameras For Fairview PD



By Mary Sundheim
Injury Prevention Specialist DUI Task Force
Richland County DUI Task Force purchased two “Lapel cameras” for the Fairview Police Department. Over the years, advances in the technologies used by law enforcement agencies have grown as with all technologies. For many departments cost is one obstacle that prevents implementing new technology, and the DUI Task Force’s objective is not only education and awareness but to support law enforcement, liquor establishments and the community.

The DUI Task Force invites involvement from a cross-section of community representatives (i.e. Alcohol Establishments, Law Enforcement, Prevention & Community Members are just a few) in order to maximize awareness and education on responsible alcohol consumption and reduction of DUI crashes. The task force operates at the county level and engages in a variety of activities, such as: The RADD (Report a Drunk Driver) program, RASS (Responsible Alcohol Sales Service) Training, quarterly letters to all alcohol establishments, articles and public service announcements. They also collaborate with a variety of coalitions, groups and meetings such as, District II Alcohol & Drug, STAND, Partnership for Promise, Richland County Steering Committee, State trainings & meetings, and quarterly law enforcement meetings.

One of the most important issues currently facing law enforcement is how to improve public service. Whether it is using new technology, data analysis or social media, the goal is to engage the community. Lapel cameras can help improve the high-quality public service expected of police officers. For many departments some of the challenges are not deciding whether to adapt, but rather finding procedures that work for the department and the community. Judge Trumpower shows concern that a procedure would have to be created to destroy video that had nothing to do with a criminal case, but overall, having officers wear cameras is a “win-win.”

Fairview’s Judge, Ray Trumpower said, “We have always said that cameras are a double-edged sword — they would present a lot of potential for good and a lot of potential for privacy invasions, but when you’re interacting with the Police Department, the perceived imbalance is enormous. Everybody wins, citizens and the police.”

Back in October, 2014 as a result of statistics and a variety of education & awareness meetings the Fairview Police Department and Police Chief Cal Seadeek contacted local Alcohol Licensees and their employees in an effort to reduce over-service of alcohol and maintain compliance with state laws. The DUI Task Force purchased these cameras as an additional resource to create a safer community for all. Additional efforts are being made to assure a safe community when it comes to responsible alcohol consumption, Alcohol Compliance Checks are performed through a cooperation between County and City law Enforcements, and supported through District II Alcohol & Drug’s Prevention Staff. The DUI task force encourages the community to be: RADD ‘Report a Drunk Driver’.

“On behalf of the Fairview Police Department, we would like to thank the Richland County DUI Task Force for the lapel cameras. We are honored to work with Mary Sundheim and her team and appreciate the support from our community. We take driving under the influence very seriously and will use our new equipment to assist in our officer’s safety and prosecutions of such crimes. Thank you again for thinking of our department.” stated Chief Calvin Seadeek, Fairview Police Department.

The DUI Task Force would like to THANK the Fairview Police Department for making a difference in our community. For more information on what you can do to make a difference please contact Mary Sundheim, DUI Task Force Coordinator at the Richland County Health Department 433-2207.

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The Rock Out and Read Award Winners

The Rock Out and Read Award Winners for first grade are (Back Row L-R) Kayden Williams, Jarrett Averett, Grady Swenson, Dyson Romo, Miguel Trevino, Oliver Slade, Bella Strasheim, Wacey Hovde, Carter Heggem and Nicolas Jorstad. Front Row (L-R) Eli Arthur, Stetson Armes, Alyssa Johnson, Kenneth Damm, Axyl Braun, Parker Verhasselt, Mason Hardon and Grady Quilling. (Photos by Megan Dotson)



Second grade Award Winners are (Back Row L-R) JJ Bissett, Addison Morken, Allison Thiel, Jayden Sandoval, Ryleigh Kleinke, Jackalynn Hink and Eva Srygley. Front Row (L-R) Dylan Edd, Justin Clifton, Aaron See, Kyle Humphries, Nadenka Hollonquist, Mercedes Lamb, Logan Rettke, and Zoey Garsjo.



Third grade award winners are in the back row (L-R) Abrahm Drake, Daniel Bayer, Corben Holler, Jonathan King, Michael Jorstad and Kevin Hutzenbiler. Pictured in the front row (L-R) Jennifer Bayer, Kaylee Bahls, Amelya Villegas, Brooklyn Anderson, Sydney Simons, Chase Waters and Brailey Anderson.

Right: The winners for Highest Point Earner are (L-R) Jarrett Averett, first grade, Eva Srygley, second grade, and Kevin Hutzenbiler, third grade.



Jerome Hughes, dressed as Papa Bear, was the winner of the Best Dressed Book Character Award.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped make last week's 2 C BBB/GBB a success...the workers from our school district, from bench crew, to crowd control, organizational and tournament staff, and custodians, all elements worked together to make the tournament run smoothly. There were many compliments passed on as to your efforts.

Community involvement was also integral to the daily operation...the outstanding effort by the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce and it's volunteers, the "Taste of the Bakken" special dining on Saturday afternoon, the support of the TBID board, those businesses that supplied treats and great food to the Hospitality room, the work of ROI in setting up the concession area were also of great merit and greatly appreciated.

Also, thank you to the police and emergency crews that were in attendance at all 24 games over the six day period.

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By Dianne Swanson

Miriam Backhaus and Sawyer Flynn were honored at an assembly at Fairview High School last Tuesday, hosted by VFW Post 4099 and Ladies Auxiliary.

Each year, the VFW sponsors a Voice of Democracy contest where students prepare a speech displaying patriotism and honoring the armed forces, past and present. Violet Tharp, District 5 president, spoke to the students about the contest and encouraging them to enter. State winners receive a free trip to Washington, DC and a chance at winning \$30,000

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On July 2 of this year America lost one of its most influential World War II veterans, Louis Zamperini. What made him so significant? After all, he was just one of many soldiers that managed to survive a horrific war; to keep hanging on to life even when it was at its bleakest, most depressing point. He was no ace flyer or a noted general, just another airman. He is just one example of why veterans should be viewed as an important part of America's past and future.

The history of America begins with war. Men were willing to fight for the concept of a nation, a nation that relied on these brave soldiers to sacrifice their lives for freedom and liberty. This is the first instance we see the influence veterans had on our history. These veterans were once brave warriors enabling the birth of a new nation, a nation of freedoms and rights that were unknown to the current world. Some of these veterans went on to be our nation's leaders in the realms of business, science, and politics. Throughout history, veterans have not only defended America's freedom, but her ideals and morals. They have upheld the foundation of justice and liberty upon which America was founded. They have given an example of American values to the world.



Often the true test of veterans was not on the battlefield, but after the war was over and they returned to the civilian world. Many veterans had to overcome feelings of depression, worthlessness, and uselessness. They had to find a new purpose for living, and their success at finding it is evident in history. Instead of letting the horrors they had witnessed bring them down, they were strengthened by a deep desire to live. The strength and resilience of veterans fortified America, and was a contributor to making America the successful nation she is today.

As noted earlier, Louis Zamperini became a very influential man in America because of his ability to forgive some of the most horrible and despicable men that were involved in World War II. Zamperini was captured in Japan which led to his imprisonment and brutal torture at the hands of the Japanese prison keepers. Zamperini managed to survive the terrible beatings, and unsanitary conditions of the prison camp long enough to be rescued and returned to America. His amazing forgiveness did not come right way. He struggled quite a lot with bitterness and anger, but that all changed when he made a spiritual decision at a Billy Graham crusade. Through God's grace he was able to forgive, often in person, the men who tortured and starved him in that prison camp in Japan. His amazing forgiveness is what made him so effective, and that impact will carry on through generations.

Veterans' importance to America's future is manifested in the inspiration by veterans of family, friends, and society. Veterans symbolize courage, strength, loyalty, and sacrifice, and these ideals are communicated to their families. These principles continue to be passed down through generations, affecting society well into the future. Today's young people need these great examples of people who were willing to do what was right no matter what it cost them. Zamperini realized this, and he founded the Victory Boy's Camp for boys who had a difficult childhood and were usually familiar with juvenile prisons and detention centers. When Zamperini was not working in his camp, he was telling people his story, whether in a classroom or a news studio. A veteran's ability to influence good habits and characteristics in today's young people and future generations makes them very important to our nation's future.

I believe that veterans have had and continue to have a very important part in America. Without veterans, we would not even have America. It is their continued commitment to their country that holds America together when things seem hopeless. Veterans are a valuable group of individuals, and Americans would do well to understand their importance, both in America's history and future.



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Voice of Democracy Essay By Sawyer Flynn



Sawyer Flynn, second from left, receives his awards from L to R, Jacki Poland, senior vice president of the Ladies Auxiliary, Margaret Bradley, Larry Trout and Stan Rosaaen of VFW Post #4099.

Veterans, the very word invokes thoughts of respect and selfless sacrifice. Oftentimes, we think of veterans as larger than life figures who stand between the faceless evil and us. I do not write to argue this point, but to clarify and sharpen it.

Our veterans are not great because of their sacrifices but because of what they sacrificed for. No man or woman has ever risked life and limb for a cause they do not believe in and it is in my opinion that America is a cause that deserves that belief.

Before a veteran can become a veteran, he or she must serve our country. There is no specification that they must serve at wartime or that time served must be on the front lines of battle. A broad range of skills is required during a military operation and all who serve in a support capacity contribute greatly to the military. An Air Force mechanic will repair and maintain planes and other equipment and Army Signalers are trained in radio operation and relay orders quickly to and from their location. After their discharge, these two specialties and many more have marketable skills that will help them to succeed in their lives after service.

It would seem that we have just now started to appreciate our veterans in a realm outside of a symbolic place of

honor. However, the men and women of our armed forces have been almost universally respected throughout our nation's history. Returning soldiers from the American Revolution became respected politicians and veterans of the Civil War prompted our countries westward expansion. However, one of the few periods in which this respect was not universal was during the Vietnam Conflict, a costly, drawn out battle to prevent Communism in Southeast Asia. Regardless of personal stance on this conflict, troops that served in all facets of its campaign should be given a great deal of respect. In the pursuit of justice and liberty for the people of the Republic of Vietnam and our Allies around the world, brave men and women reaffirmed that there would be no bowing from the United States. To turn our backs on nations that upheld their own values, would have been a betrayal of ourselves.

Upon returning from Vietnam, many of our veterans were publically disrespected and demeaned. This show of disrespect is a scar upon the history of our nation, a black mark that will never

be repaired. Our best hope is to learn from it. Today, a veteran of Vietnam receives the respect that should have been given from the moment they arrived home. For this I am full of pride for our nation's people. Even in the face of long term resentment, we have completely altered our course back to what it was and what it always should be. Lessons learned on the return from Vietnam have changed our stance on war permanently and I believe for the better.

In recent conflicts, our presence has become a hotly contested political issue. In an approach that is used far too often, our soldiers become a faceless entity for foreign policy. Similarly, injured veterans face the same problems and become objects in the eyes of the policy makers.

Our drive, our solitary motivation when it comes to veterans is to remember that on all fronts, our veterans have proven themselves as driven, patriotic individuals who believe first and foremost in the idea of America. To forget our veterans is to forget everything that is worth paying the ultimate price for. Family, duty, honor, and America.

Parent Café March 4th

Submitted by the Family Resource Center

The Sidney Middle School and Family Resource Center will have the Parent Café on March 4, 2015, at the Sidney Middle School in the Family Consumer Sciences room. It will be from 12pm to 1pm and lunch will be provided. Childcare is not available. We will be discussing the challenges that girls face today in our community and with each other and ways we can help. There will be a panel of SMS girls there to talk to us about their challenges. For more information, please contact Missy or Melissa at 433-4097.



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Montana FSA: Montana Farmers & Ranchers Reminded Of Important March 16 Deadline For 2015 NAP Coverage

Submitted by Tammy Lake, Richland County Farm & Service Agency

BOZEMAN, Mont. – USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director Bruce Nelson reminds Montana farmers and ranchers that Monday, March 16th is the sales closing deadline for most non-insurable 2015 spring planted crops.

The application deadline for the 2015 Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) for all non-insurable crops except for honey, perennial forage crops intended for hay and grazing, fall seeded annual crops, and value loss crops is March 16, 2015. The 2015 sales closing dates for basic NAP coverage and buy-up level of NAP coverage have already ended for perennial forage crops intended for hay and grazing and fall seeded annual crops (Sept. 30, 2014), honey (Dec. 1, 2014) and value-loss crops (Sept. 1, 2014).

Eligible producers can apply for coverage at their local FSA office using form CCC-471, Application for Coverage. Producers must file the application and pay the applicable service fee on or before the application closing date for the applicable crop.

The service fee is the lesser of \$250 per crop or \$750 per producer per administrative county, not to exceed a total of \$1,875 for a producer with farming interests in multiple counties.

NAP provides financial assistance to eligible producers when natural disasters cause catastrophic loss of production (low yield) or prevented planting of an eligible noninsurable crop by providing coverage equivalent to the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance. In the event of a natural disaster, NAP provides catastrophic level (CAT) coverage based on the amount of loss that exceeds 50 percent of expected production at 55 percent of the average market price for the crop. The 2014 Farm Bill authorized additional coverage levels ranging from 50 to 65 percent of production, in 5 percent increments, at 100 percent of the average market price. This additional "buy-up" coverage must be elected by a producer by the application closing date. Producers who elect additional coverage must pay a premium in addition to the service fee. Crops intended for grazing are not eligible for additional coverage.

Beginning farmers or ranchers, limited resource producers, and traditionally underserved farmers, including minorities and women, are eligible for a waiver of the service fee and a 50 percent premium reduction when they file form CCC-860, "Socially Disadvantaged, Limited Resource and Beginning Farmer or Rancher Certification." If you have questions regarding beginning, limited resource, and traditionally underserved farmer definitions and eligibility, please contact your local FSA office.

NAP is available on commercially-produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance is not available. If the Risk Management Agency (RMA) offers coverage for a specific crop and intended use in the county, then NAP coverage is not available for that crop.

A copy of a Montana NAP factsheet is available at: http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/15_mtnap.pdf. For more information on NAP and other FSA programs, contact your local FSA office and visit us online at www.fsa.usda.gov/mt.

Conservation District Meeting To Discuss Local Resource Concerns March 10th

Submitted by Julie Goss, Richland County Conservation District

The Richland County Conservation District, in partnership with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), invites the public to a Natural Resource Issue - Local Working Group (LWG) meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10 at the Richland County Extension meeting room- 1499 N Central Ave, Sidney, MT. Your local CD is made up of five board members elected by the public and 2 urban supervisors appointed by the incorporated towns. Many members of CD boards are actively engaged in farming and ranching.

Residents are encouraged to attend and express their natural resource concerns. The conservation district will prioritize which issues they can work on in their annual work plan and within their budget, as well as provide input for the NRCS's Fiscal Year 2016 programs. Ideas generated from the public help coordinated local, state and federal funding programs to assist with these concerns.

Recommendations can include special target areas or specific concerns such as soil health, range health, weeds (be specific), wildlife habitat, eligible conservation practices, the need for new and innovative conservation practices, cost-share rates on conservation programs, and public outreach and information efforts.

Local Work Group attendees should be diverse and focus on agricultural interests and natural resource issues existing in the local community and can include: Agricultural producers, Grain growers, Livestock Producers, grazing districts, Irrigation districts, Representatives of agricultural and environmental organizations; MSU Extension, County Weed Depts., Representatives of gov't agencies carrying out agricultural and natural resource conservation programs and activities (BLM, FSA, USFS, COE, FWS, FWP, DEQ, DNRC etc.), even non-profit groups that have the natural resources in their best interest.

Please join us in developing an inventory of what natural resource concerns and issues still need to be addressed in our district. Help us prioritize the work load and ultimately help direct Farm Bill Programs and other programs toward natural resource sustainability. You may call the office at 406-433-2103 ext 101 or send your comments on natural resource concerns to Richland County CD, 2745 W Holly ST Sidney, MT or email to julie.goss@mt.nacdnet.net.

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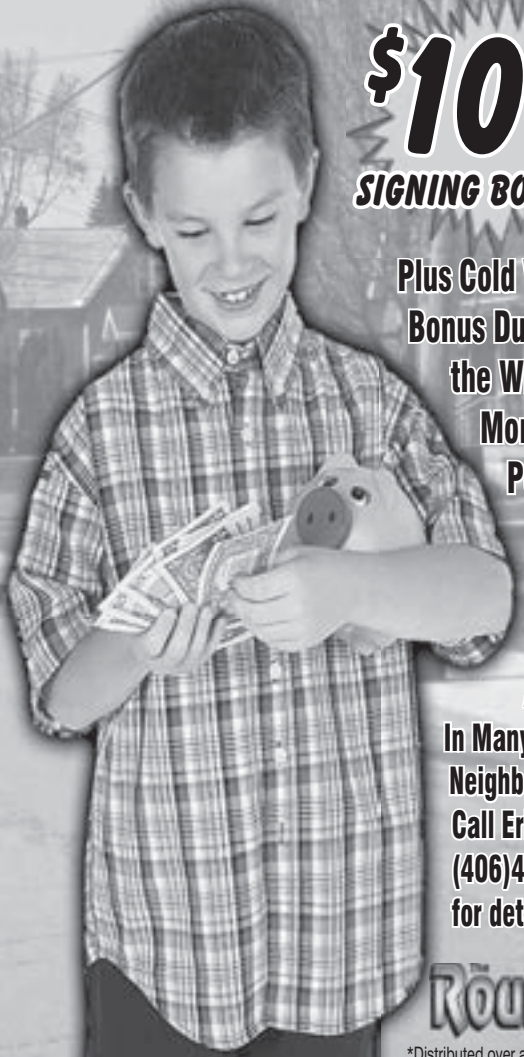
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Sidney Wrestling Club Glendive Tournament Results

Submitted by Janelle Jensen
TOTS: 34 – Barrett McLain – 4th • Breyden Dutton – 6th; 38 – Bodee Bright – 1st • Kade Kutzler – 6^h; 42 – Aldo Gonzales – 1st • Rueger Sheehan – 4th; 44 – Brenner Mullin – 1st • Jaxson Burger – 2nd • Toryn Gonzalez – 5th; 45 – Brodey Verhasselt – 4th; 49 – Silas Wichman – 3rd; 53 – Cooper Cundiff – 6th; 55 – Collin Ross – 1st • Kooper Lester – 5th
BANTAM: 35 – Dawson Baltrusch – 1st • Rylan McGahan – 3rd; 46 – Cayden Hambro – 5th • Joshua Dilday – 6th; 47 – Carson Propp – 4th; 48 – Parker Wunder – 5th • Asle Everett – 6th; 50 – Cristian Gonzales – 1st; 51 – Maliek

Taylor – 4th • Quentin Waters – 5th • Ben Entzel – 6th; 53 – Jaiden Gustafson – 2nd • Jordyn Radasa – 4th; 55 – Tyson Savik – 5th; 56 – Brody Keysor – 6th; 57 – Ty Schepens – 2nd • Talena Hambro – 3rd • Jaxson Gustafson – 6th; 57.2 – Gavin Skoy – 2nd • Jackson Hardin – 3rd; 57.8 – Mason Hardin – 1st; 58 – Ryker Wise – 1st • Brandon Becker – 4th • Kayden Williams – 6th; 60 – Beau Mullin – 5th • Koltyn Mullin – 6th; 61 – Brandin Stern – 6th; 68 – Paker Verhasselt – 3rd MIDGET: 45 – Reece Graves – 1st; 54 – Beau Rindahl – 5th • Paul Gonzalez – 6th; 59 – Kaden Savik – 2nd; 68 – Deion Taylor – 5th; 71 – Jameson Crane – 5th • Samuel Suther-

land – 6th; 73 – Lily Waltner – 5th; 91 – Dillon Skoy – 3rd • Tyler Brost – 5th; 105 – Chace Waters – 1st • Corben Holler – 2nd; 121 – Caleb Kleinke – 3rd
NOVICE: 57 – Drew Shirman – 7th; 57.1 – Kaden Wise – 3rd; 74 – Cameron Mikesell – 5th; 74.8 – Aden Graves -1st • Tucker Nevins – 3rd; 80 – Paul Whitaker – 5th • Shane Waltner – 6th; 88 – Nathan Romo – 2nd; 91.4 – Mason Shirman – 1st • Kolter Savik – 2nd; 108 – Garrett Strauser - 2nd • Shanti Taylor – 3rd • Dallis Massey – 5th; 118 – Cole Humphries – 3rd
SCHOOLBOY: 84 – Kade Graves – 1st • Kade Rindahl – 5th



Gavin Skoy (top) placed 2nd in the Bantam 57.2 weight class at the Glendive Tourney last Saturday.

Sidney Wrestling Club Results From Belgrade Duals & Billings Tournament

By Janelle Jensen
The Sidney Wrestling Club had another busy week-end on the mats. The little guy wrestlers went to Glendive. The middle school wrestlers got on the bus and traveled west to Belgrade and Billings. Sidney was accompanied by Circle, Poplar and Glendive for a dual tournament in Belgrade on Saturday, taking 3rd out of 16 teams. They then competed in an individual tournament in Billings on Sunday. A few little guy wrestlers also competed in the Sunday event in Billings.
Saturday's score at Belgrade Duals
- Sidney 81 vs Gateway (Bozeman) 18
- Sidney 85 vs Dillon/Deer Lodge 12
- Sidney 78 vs Belgrade

18
- Sidney 36 vs Billings Heights 65
- Sidney 66 vs Billings Darkhorse 31
Sunday's placing wrestlers from the Billings Darkhorse Tournament
Eli Engstrom, Tot 40, – 4th • Aldo Gonzalez, Tot 45, – 2nd • Silas Wichman, Tot 55, – 4th • Dawson Baltrusch, Bantam 40, – 3rd • Cristian Gonzalez, Bantam 55, – 3rd • Jaiden Gustafson, Bantam 55, – 4th • Jordan Lorenz, Bantam HWT, – 6th • Drew Schirman, Novice 65, – 3rd • Tugg Taylor, Novice 75, - 5th (Circle) • Jordan Darby, Novice 80, – 2nd • Grady Nelson, Novice 85, – 6th • Colten Reidel, Novice 95, – 2nd • Mason Schirman, Novice 100, – 2d • Zander Burnison, Novice 105, – 3rd

• Krayle Stormer, Schoolboy 70/75, - 2nd (Circle) • Kaiden Cline, Schoolboy 80, – 3rd • Jaret Aisenbrey, Schoolboy 100, – 3rd • Everett Jensen, Schoolboy 105, – 1st • Riley Waters, Schoolboy 110, – 3rd • Nelson Crisafulli, Schoolboy 130, – 1st (Glendive) • Brodey Skogen, Schoolboy 120, – 5th • AJ Ullmer, Schoolboy 125, – 1st • Keelen Geiser, Schoolboy 150/160, – 2nd • Tyson Sutherland, Schoolboy 150/160 – 1st (Poplar) • Caleb Klinger, Schoolboy HWT, – 1st (Poplar) • Davin Gibbs, Schoolboy HWT, – 2nd (Poplar) • Jace Winter, Cadet 126, – 1st • Also participating but not placing were RJ Engstrom, Brandon Becker and Matt Hansen.

Brorson Farmhands Held Their February 4-H Meeting

Submitted by Beth McMillen
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Lowest Rig Count Since July of 2010



By Tie Shank

In the Directors Cut on February 13, 2015, Lynn Helms, Director of the North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources, gave a monthly update on the current activity in the North Dakota oil patch.

Rig count:

November rig count 188

December rig count 181

January rig count 160

On February 13th the rig count was at its lowest since July, 2010. The all-time high was 218 on May 29, 2012. The statewide rig count is down 37 percent from the high and in the five most active counties rig count is down as follows:

Divide - 62% (high was 3/2013)

Dunn -45% (high was 6/2012)

McKenzie -28% (high was 1/2014)

Mountrail -41% (high was 6/2011)

Williams -40% (high was 10/2014)

Director Helms commented, "Oil price is by far the biggest driver behind the slow-down, with operators reporting postponed completion work to avoid high initial oil production at very low prices

and to achieve NDIC gas capture goals. There were no major precipitation events, only 3 days with wind speeds in excess of 35 mph (too high for completion work), and 2 days with temperatures below -10°F."

Helms later states, "The Obama administration officials announced a plan under which the oil and gas industry would have to cut methane emissions by 40 to 45 percent below 2012 levels by 2025. U.S. EPA will issue new regulations this summer under the Clean Air Act, and a final rule would be in place in 2016. EPA's rulemaking will be done under Section 111(b) of the Clean Air Act, which allows regulation of new sources along the oil and gas supply chain. So the new regulations would apply to new and modified pieces of equipment only and would leave older pieces of equipment unregulated. In North Dakota the Clean Air Act is enforced by the Department of Health." Director Helms will update information on the status and how you can comment on the proposed rule in his monthly Director's cuts at <https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/>

Triangle Petroleum Announces a 71% YOY Capex Reduction

Delaying All Operated Well Completions Until May or Longer



By Tie Shank

In a Feb. 5, 2015 news release, Triangle Petroleum Corporation announced their capital expenditures budget for its fiscal year ending Jan. 31, 2016, a budget that represents a 71 percent year-over-year capex reduction.

Headquartered in Denver, Colorado, Triangle Petroleum Corporation holds leasehold interests in the Williston Basin, the majority of which are located in McKenzie and Williams counties in North Dakota and eastern Roosevelt and Sheridan counties in Montana.

Since entering the basin in early 2010, Triangle has ac-

quired approximately 86,000 net acres within the Bakken and Three Forks formations: roughly 36,000 net acres in North Dakota, and 50,000 net acres in Roosevelt and Sheridan counties of Montana, adjacent to the Elm Coulee Field.

Fiscal Year 2016 Capital Budget Outlook

- Triangle's fiscal year 2016 capital expenditure budget totals approximately \$165-195 million (see table).
- FY2016 budget represents a 71% year-over-year reduction
- Focused on 1) protecting the balance sheet, 2) maintaining adequate liquidity,

3) return on capital and 4) positioning the Company for earnings and production growth post-recovery

- Development plan contemplates 2 operated rigs on average for the year
- Triangle currently delaying all operated well completions until May or longer, subject to commodity prices and gaps in the Rock-Pile third-party completion schedule
- The Company anticipates having 20-24 wells waiting on completion as of May 1, 2015
- Triangle is actively working with vendors and service

providers to reduce drilling and completion costs, targeting a 10-20% reduction in E&P gross AFE costs

- Plan allows Triangle to preserve near-term liquidity and avoids well IPs in a low commodity price environment to the detriment of return on capital
- Allows Triangle to respond quickly to any improvement in commodity pricing and to return daily production numbers to at or above December 31, 2014 exit rate numbers
- Provides RockPile with significant backlog of work in Q2 and Q3 when there is

less visibility into third-party activity levels; Triangle expects capital costs to drop in 8-12 weeks when targeted AFE costs materialize.

To view the original version on PR Newswire, visit: <http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/triangle-petroleum-provides-fiscal-year-2016-capital-budget-and-guidance-for-all-business-segments-300031935.html>

Capital Expenses	FY2016E
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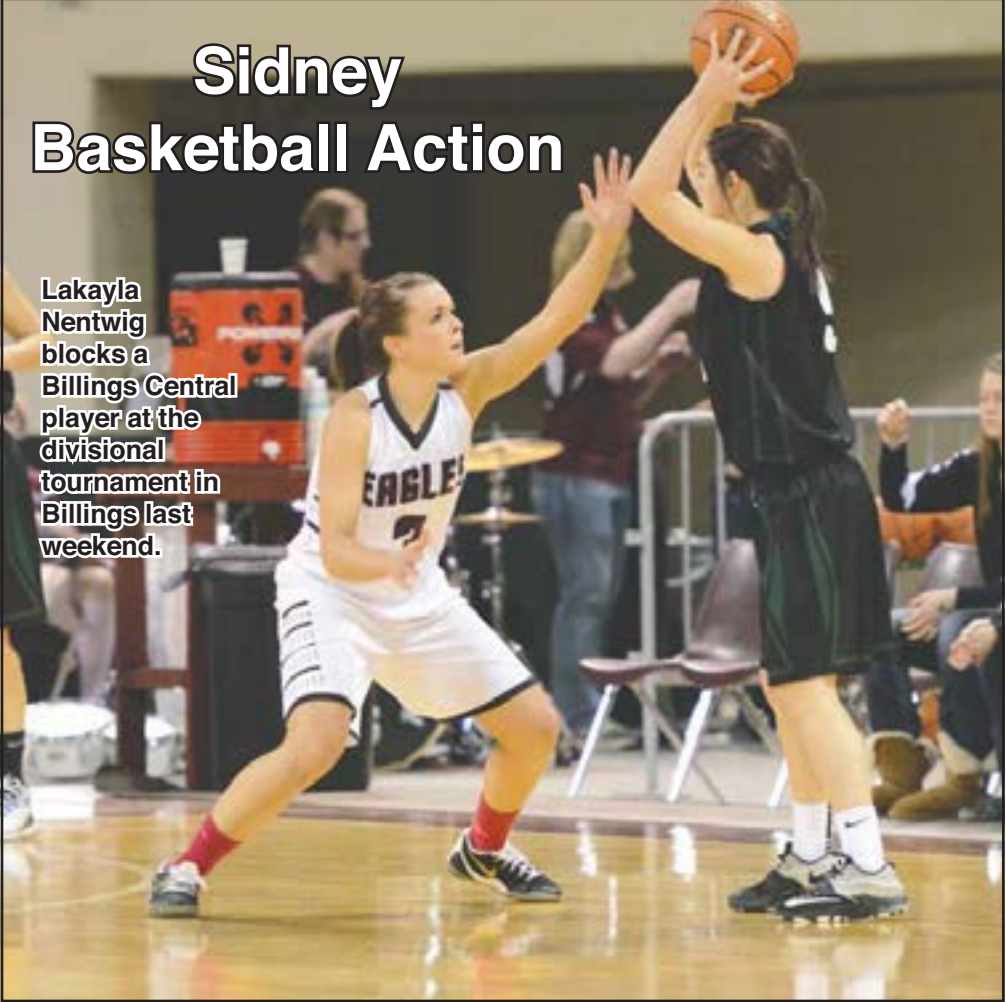
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Nationally recognized professional speaker and master facilitator, Montana-native Karen McNenny will guide a civic-minded discussion with community members. Karen will also present content that is unique and relevant to our needs. Karen will inspire, educate and entertain.
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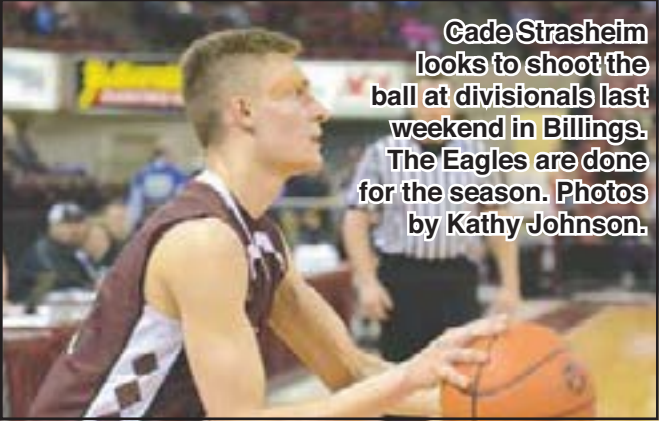
Lakayla Nentwig blocks a Billings Central player at the divisional tournament in Billings last weekend.



Tristan Rohner goes up for a shot at divisionals at the Billings Metra last week at divisionals against Hardin.


Right: Ciara Sinks dribbles the ball down the court at the Metra last weekend.





Cade Strasheim looks to shoot the ball at divisionals last weekend in Billings. The Eagles are done for the season. Photos by Kathy Johnson.

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