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# Richland County Fair This Weekend



### By Meagan Dotson

The Richland County Fair and Rodeo is fast here, August 3rd – 6th in Sidney, MT. Take in the entertainment and attractions including North Star Amusements' carnival, the Freckle Farm Petting Zoo, Turkey Races, Pippi the Clown, and free-stage acts such as Double Vision: Twin Magic & Comedy, and John Dunnigan in the old Commercial Building. A variety of food and merchant vendors will be available and open class, school, and 4-H exhibits will be on display for public viewing throughout the fair.

# Eastern **Montana's First** PokéWalk

### Library and Foundation Co-Host PokéWalk 2016

The Sidney/Richland County Library, in partnership with Foundation for Community Care will host eastern Montana's first PokéWalk on August 13th. Registration will begin at the library at 8am and the PokéWalk will take place from 9am to Noon. There is no cost to participate. Participants can enter up to 4 times by checking at the designated stop along the route. Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult. A full schedule is listed below:

8am to 9am: Register & Check-in at Sidney/Richland

9:30am-9:45am: Check-in at the Water Tower PokéStop 10:30am-10:45am: Check-in at the MonDak Heritage Center PokéStop

11:30am-11:45am: Check-in at the Anderson Pavilion

Noon: Check-in & Finish Line @ Sidney/Richland County

Library What You Need to Know

- · Registration is Free
- · Every participant will receive an adventure walk map and team wristband.
- Lures will be dropped at each of the check-stops during the race to help catch as many Pokémon as you can.
- · Adventure trail guides will help keep the group moving. They will also have portable public Wi-Fi stops for you to hook up for less data usage.
- · Each time you check-in during the designated time, your name will be entered into a drawing for prizes. Your name can be entered up to 5 times for a prize.
  - Prizes include:
  - o Rare Pokémon Card Set
  - o Team Instinct Key Chain
  - o Team Mystic Key Chain o Team Valor Key Chain
  - o Plush Pikachu
  - o Portable Charger (3 winners)
  - o Swagge Trainer Hat
  - o PokéBall with Lights and Sounds plus Pikachu

o 3 PokéBalls

On Wednesday, the Ag Building will open at 6:00am to accept Floriculture exhibits and a free family-friendly concert performed by Party Rock Project will start at 7:30 in the arena/ grandstands.

Thursday, is Co-Op Day, sponsored by Cenex Harvest States, Horizon Resources, Lower Yellowstone REA, Mid-Rivers Communications, and Richland Federal Credit Union; don't miss out on free root beer floats at the Sponsor Tent at 4pm.

Thursday is also Military Appreciation Night for anyone attending the PRCA Rodeo starting at 7:30.

Friday, is Meadowlark Public House Day. The Friday Night Rodeo will start at 7:30pm and it's Tough Enough to Wear Pink Night, where sponsors donate \$3 for every person wearing pink, with all funds going to the Richland County Health Department

### Sidney 5th and 6th Grade Tackle Football

The team sign-up for the Sidney 5th and 6th grade tackle football is Aug. 15, 16 and 17, 5:30-7 p.m., at Lyndale Park. For new players you must bring a copy of your birth certificate. The cost is \$65 per player.

The equipment handout and parent meeting is Monday, Aug. 22, 5:30 p.m. at Lyndale Park.

The first day of practice is Tuesday, Aug. 23, 5:30-7 p.m. at Lyndale Park.

If you have any questions or are unable to attend the sign-up days scheduled contact Ryan or Monica Waters, 406-488-3788 or email at ryan\_m\_waters@yahoo.com.

Cancer Coalition. The Pistol Grip Band will be performing in the Beer Gardens following the rodeo.

Saturday, is ONEOK Rockies Midstream Day and they will be serving free watermelon under the Sponsor Tent throughout the day.

Chris Young with special guest Logan Mize are performing at this year's concert, with the main event sponsor being XTO Energy. Dan Hunthausen and the Train Wrecks will be the post-concert entertainment, playing in the Beer Gardens.

For more information, including a complete schedule of events, please visit the Richland County website at www. richland.org.

### -D Archery Shoot August 13-14

Submitted by Nancy Hedegaard

The Lone Tree Archers Club of Sidney will be hosting their annual "Henry Schwenke 3-D Archery Shoot" on Saturday, August 13, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, August 14th, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. The archery range is located about 8 miles east of Sidney (cross Yellowstone River Bridge on Highway 23, then turn left onto County Road 122). Lunch will be available both days. Shooting fees are: Adult \$15/day or \$25 for both days, student \$10/day or \$15 for both days, children under 12 free with a paid adult, and a family package is available for \$30/day or \$45 for both days. Lots of fun for all ages. Weather permitting. For more information, visit www.lonetreearchers.com or call Nancy at (406) 488-5128.

# Ribfest 2016 Set For Aug. 12 in Watford City

One of the biggest events in Western North Dakota takes place on Main Street Watford City. The Best of the West Ribfest, Street Fair and Classic Car show is set for August 12, 2016 and this year it will be bigger and better than ever!

The event kicks off with a fundraising breakfast for the local Boy Scouts, served on Main Street from 8-10 am. The Street Fair opens at 10 am with lunch being served at 11.

Teams will be cooking up ribs on the street all day and ribs will be sold and served to the public at 5 pm. This year, for the first time, the public has a chance to be the judge!

The Best of the West Ribfest Committee has announced the addition of an exciting new VIP Rib Judging Ticket for sale.

A \$100 VIP ticket makes you an official judge of Ribfest, giving you all access to taste test every rib entry and cast your vote as well as providing you the perks of VIP seating under the shade of the Sentry Crane and Services VIP tent from 4-8 PM. Beer and wine sponsored by Stonehome Brewery and Outlaws will be provided along with Coke products sponsored by Coca Cola of Williston. VIP ticket holders will also receive bottled water and a can koozie sponsored by RTC, a Ribfest mug and coupon for 50% off Ribfest merchandise and up front seating for "This Cowboy's Hat-Chris LeDoux Tribute Concert that evening.

'We're so excited to offer this very unique opportunity for our die-hard rib fans," said Jessie Scofield, Ribfest committee chair. "This is a fun addition to the event that will result in true 'people's choice' winners. "

In addition to the great food, Ribfest features fun for the whole family with kids games, inflatables and live music featuring Medora's Burning Hills Singers, Devin Wolf, Kristina and Stephan Dale, Lonesome Willy and a featured concert by "This Cowboy's Hat-Chris LeDoux Tribute Band."

"This tribute band will be a huge hit with the Ribfest crowd," said Scofield. "They put on a wonderful show, with lots of surprises, and have performed throughout the region to rave reviews.

You're not going to want to miss it!" The public will also enjoy the Classic Car Show and a few friendly rounds of Bingo during the day. There will be street



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vendors and several ping-pong drops that will offer special deals from Main Street businesses.

Ribfest contestants will also be competing with each other

in fun games and contests throughout the day. Ribs will be served until 9 PM or until they're gone. A \$1,000 prize sponsored by Barrett Pharmacy and Variety will be award-

ed for the team with the best ribs. Second place will receive \$500 and there will be a \$250 prize for booth showmanship.

The Best of the West Ribfest is limited to 20 teams. If you're

interested in registering a team, sign up today as space is limited. "Ribfest just gets bigger and better every year," said Janel Lee, committee member. "It's a great way to bring the community together and celebrate the best parts of summer--music, friends, and food!"

Teams, food and craft vendors and Classic Car Show participants may register online at www.watfordcityribfest.net. Questions contact the Watford City Chamber of Commerce at 701-570-5084 or wcchamber@ruggedwest.com or www.

facebook.com/BestOfTheWestRibfest for more information. **MNAXLP** 

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### **Alexander Public School Back to School Registration**

Grades 1-12

Mon, Aug 8th – Fri, Aug 12th Mon-Thur: 9am - 2 pm • Fri: 9am - 12pm Registration will be held in the modular building, south of the playground.

> **Preschool & Kindergarten** registration will be held on Aug 9th & 10th at the City Hall from 9am - 2pm.

Please bring birth certificate & immunization records

### **TONI'S FAMILY FLEA MARKET COMING SOON!**

Friday - Sunday • 10am - 8pm

Clean out your garages, storage units, etc.

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Do you have news or photos you would like in The Roundup?

Richland ..... **Meagan Dotson** 406-478-0517 County

McKenzie......Kathy Taylor

701-842-6188 County

### **AREA RECOVERY GROUPS**

MONDAYS:

**12 p.m.** — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. - Grief Reovery Support group at First

Lutheran Church, Watford City.

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

TUESDAYS:

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

WEDNESDAYS:

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

FRIDAYS:

12 p.m. - AA, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

12 p.m. - 1 p.m. - AA meeting, basement of Wilmington

Lutheran Church, Arnegard.

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. - Path to recovery at Faith Alliance Church, 704 S. Western Ave.

8 p.m. - AA meetings, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. Bldg,

**SATURDAYS:** 

9 a.m. & 7 p.m. — AA Group Trinity Lutheran Church Education bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

3 p.m. - NA meeting, Straight The Path Grp, MonDak

Office, 725 W. Holly St., Sidney.

7 p.m. - AA 24 hour group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride.

3 p.m. - NA meeting, Straight The Path Grp, MonDak Office, 725 W. Holly St., Sidney.

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

# **OBITUARIES**

### Shirley A. Cruz, 88 Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Shirley Cruz, 88, of Sidney, MT were at 2 p.m., Tuesday, August 2 at First Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Richard Evans officiating. Burial was at the Sidney cemetery under the direction of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home in Sidney, MT.

Pictures, remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Shirley died June 29 at Sidney Health Care in Sidney, MT.

### Helga Haugen, 91 Sidney, MT

Memorial service for Helga Haugen will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, August 6 at the Faith Alliance Church in Sidney, MT. Burial of cremains will be in the Four Mile Cemetery later

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

Helga died on October 8, 2015 at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care facility.

### Patricia "Patsy" Stevenson, 86, Sidney, MT

Mass of the Christian burial for Patricia "Patsy" Stevenson, 86 of Sidney are at 2 p.m., Wednesday, August 3, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney with Father Jim O'Neil as presider.

Wake services were at 6 p.m., Tuesday, August 2, at the Fulkerson-Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Cremation will follow services under the direction of the Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Sidney. Her casket will be closed at the church.

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

Patricia "Patsy" died early Friday morning, July 29 at her home surrounded by her family.

### **Support the Cancer Center during Light** the Park Thursday, **August 11th**

By Meagan Dotson

Take a walk in Veteran's Memorial Park on Thursday, August 11th, for Light the Park, a new and fun way to raise funds for the Cancer Center. The enchanting evening will start at 6:00pm, where community members can show off their ingenuity with team fundraising until 8:30pm. For example, the Foundation for Community Care will be selling memorial lanterns that evening; the names of loved ones can be written on the lanterns and they will then be hung from one of the many lights that will be draped throughout the park.

There will be food vendors and live music performed by Violet Tharp and Vicki Viara. They will entertain from 6:00 – 7:00, and from 7:00 – 8:30 the Meadowlark, featuring Signe Verhasselt and Richard Halvorson, will be performing.

The Lighting Ceremony will take place at 8:30, followed by a fireworks display at 9:00. All proceeds will go to the Cancer Center, at Sidney Health Center; these funds stay in the community to help local residents who are affected by cancer.

The public is invited to show their support by attending the festivities, or by registering as part of a fundraising team. Registration is available at the Cancer Center, 214 14th Ave SW in Sidney, or by visiting www.foundationforcommunitycare. org, or visiting the Foundation for Community Care's Facebook page. For more information, contact Kathy Jensen at the Cancer Center at 406-488-2504.

### **Trinity Christian School Annual Banquet & Auction**

Submitted by Sheri Moonen

The Williston Trinity Christian School Annual Banquet & Auction will be Tuesday, September 13, 2016. Our theme is "Pursuit of Excellence", and will include dinner, speaker and a silent and live auction. Doors open at 5 p.m. with dinner served

We are honored to announce our guest, Mr. Dave Dravecky. He is a former MLB pitcher for the San Francisco Giants and the San Diego Padres. He is the player that threw the pitch heard round the world. This man has overcome great adversity with an attitude of excellence. Check out his story at davedravecky.com.

Tickets are \$25 each & available in the WTCS office. We accept cash, check or credit card (Visa, Mastercard or Discover). For more information, to purchase tickets, be an event sponsor, please contact Cory Fleck or Pam Unterseher at 701-774-9056 or email information@tcsnd.org. WTCS is located at 2419 - 9th Avenue West, Williston, ND 58801. www.tcsnd.org

# McKenzie **County Food Pantry**

Free food assistance for you and your family. All income eligible residents in McKenzie County welcome. Open dates and times are as follows: Thursdays from noon to 2 pm, Cashwise donates food giveaway to the Food Pantry, 1st Tuesday of each month from 5 pm to 7 pm and the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 2 pm to 4 pm. The Food Pantry is located in the lower level of First Lutheran Church, 212 2nd Ave. NW, Watford City. For more information or to set up an appointment to visit the pantry call 701-444-3451 or www.mcfoodpantry.com.

Pantry includes a wide variety of frozen meats, canned goods, personal care items. Donations can be sent to: McKenzie Co. Food Pantry, Box 2716, Watford City, ND 58854.

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### THE ROUNDUP: PO Box 1207 111 West Main • Sidney, MT 59270 433-3306 • Fax: 406-433-4114 • Email: classads

RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

Wed. Aug. 3

Richland County Fair & Rodeo: This event runs through Aug. 6. Richland County Fairgrounds, Sidney, MT.

Kiss A Pig Contest - The Boys and Girls Club of Richland County will be hosting a Kiss The Pig contest at the Richland County Fair! All funds raised by the contest will benefit the "Back-a-Kid" scholarship program. This event will run through Aug. 6. Richland County Event Center.

12-1 p.m. - Noon Yoga - Sidney-Richland County Library, 406-433-1917.

Thurs., Aug. 4

4 p.m. - Teen Craft & Book Club - Sidney-Richland County Library, 433-1917.

Fri., Aug. 5

2-3 p.m. - Foundation Friday Lemonade Stand - All money raised goes to the Endowment Fund. Outside the offices of the Foundation for Community Care.

2-7 p.m. - 55th Class Reunion of 1961 - Social hour. This event continues on Aug. 6 at 5 p.m. with a no host class dinner. Sidney Country Club

6:30 p.m. - Five Stones Meetings - All are welcome to these confidential meetings to find victory over hurts, habits and hang-ups. First Church of the Nazarene, 606 9th St. SW.

Sat., Aug. 6

10 a.m. - Family Friendly Fellowship Get Together. Fun bible discussions, songs, crafts, a hot pitch-in meal and yummy homemade donuts. Central Park. Free to the public and everyone is invited. Weather permitting. Please call Julia at 406-774-3309 or 406-480-5648 with any questions. 3 p.m. - Pilgrim Presentation Ceremony -New Pilgrim, Dean

Sidney Moose Lodge. Sun., Aug. 7

2-5 p.m. - Bingo - Sidney Moose Lodge.

Thurs., Aug. 11

6 p.m. - Light The Park For Cancer - Team sponsored fundraising fair; live music by "Meadowlark" and lighting ceremony at dusk. Veteran's Memorial Park.

Rehbein - 5 p.m. Roast Beef Dinner; free will donation.

Sat., Aug. 13

"Get Served" - Co-ed Sand Volleyball Tournament - 6 player teams, \$45 per team, limit of 10 teams. Volleyball court (near pool) Sidney. Proceeds will be donated to the City Parks & Rec. This event continues on Aug. 14. For more information please call or text Amber at 701-390-3436.

8 a.m.-5 p.m. - Henry Schwenke 3-D Archery Shoot" Archery range is about 8 miles east of Sidney (cross Yellowstone River Bridge on Highway 23, then turn left onto County Road 122). This event continues on Aug. 14, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Adult: \$15/day or \$25/both days; students, \$10/day or \$15/both days; children under 12 free with a paid adult; family package, \$30/day or \$45/both days. For more information visit www. lonetreearchers.com or call Nancy, 406-488-5128.

Mon., Aug. 15

5:30-7 p.m. - Sidney 5th & 6th Grade Tackle Football Team Sign-up - The team sign-up continues on Aug. 16 and 17. Lyndale Park. \$65 per player. For more information contact Ryan or Monica Waters, 406-488-3788 or email ryan\_m\_ waters@yahoo.com.

Sat., Aug. 20

11 a.m. - Ridin' 4 A Reason Poker Run - Riding to raise awareness for congenital sucrase isomaltase deficiency. Kick stand up at 12 p.m. 4 wheeled vehicles welcome! Dinner and street dance to follow. Live music provided by: "Mile Marker 406". Burns Creek Inn Bar & Grill, Savage, MT.

Sat., Aug. 27

8 a.m. - 2nd Annual Bakken Boom Run - This event is for the whole family with a 5k loop for the runners/walkers and a 10k loop for those up to the challenge. Part of the proceeds will go to the MonDak Heritage Center. Sign up on-line at Runsignup.com, https://runsignup.com/Race/MT/Sidney/ BakkenBoomRun. Healthworks, 216 14th Ave SW, Si 9 a.m. - 23rd Annual Golf Scramble - Foundation for Community Care. \$150 player registration. Sidney Country

### McKenzie County

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone

Thurs., Aug. 4

7-8 p.m. - Fort Buford History Book Club - Join other history buffs in an interesting discussion of this month's selected book. Free refreshments. Missouri Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center, For more information, 701-572-9034. Sat., Aug. 6

Indian Arts Showcase 2016 - Demonstrations of traditional Northern Plains Indian history and culture through music, traditional crafts and lectures by tribal historians and elders from tribes of the Upper Missouri. Fort Union.

9 a.m.-6 p.m. - Scrapbooking - Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center.

Fri., Aug. 12

10 a.m. - 10 p.m. - Best of the West Ribfest - Ribs & fixings, street vendors, live music, concessions, legendary smiles kid zone fun & games, classic car show. Watford City, ND.

10 a.m.-6 p.m. - "Junk Revival" Vintage Vendor Show -Admission: \$5 (Children 12 and under free) Veteran's Memorial Building, 213 2nd St. NE, Watford City.

Thurs., Aug. 18

7 p.m. - History Book Club - "So Much To Be Done" Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center.

Fri., Aug. 19 9 a.m.-6 p.m. - Confluence Quilters - This event continues on

Aug. 20. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. Sun., Aug. 21 11 a.m.-5 p.m. - Cowboy Poets At The Confluence - Bill

Lowman, D.W. Groethe, Yarl Kvale, Terry & Linda Schwartz, Bob Peterman and Dale Nystrom. Fort Buford State Historical

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone. 5-9 p.m. - Summer Nights on Main: Nick Montieth - Live

music, food vendors, kids' activities, beer gardens and a great time. Downtown Williston, ND.

Fri., Aug. 12 North Dakota Chokecherry Festival 2016 - Family friendly event with good food, great music, vendor booths, 5K run, midnight movie in the park and more. This event continues on Aug. 13 with a Kid Zone dubbed the "Chokecherry Pit" and a

### Street West, Williston, ND. www.visitwilliston.com.

Dawson County Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone

chokecherry pit spitting contest. Harmon Park, Main & 11th

Sun., Aug. 7

Book Signing - The author of "Glendive" Dr. R Michael Booker will be doing a book signing at the Frontier Gateway Museum, 201 State St., Glendive, MT. For more information call Fayette Miller, 406-377-8168.

Dawson County Fair - This event runs through Aug. 14. For more information www.dawsonfair.com. Dawson County Fairgrounds. Glendive, MT.

# 2016 Wings of Freedom Airshow September 24 & 25

By Meagan Dotson Submitted on behalf of the TBID Board

September 23rd the skies will come alive as pilots fly into town for the 2016 Wings of Freedom Airshow. The Canadian Snowbirds, who are part of the Royal Canadian Forces, will be headlining this amazing show September 24th and 25th.

This is the fourth airshow the city has hosted. It was put into action after Bryan Prevost was contacted by the Canadian Snowbirds who were interested in coming back to perform in Sidney. They will be performing only eight of their 39 scheduled shows in the United States this year. Flying CF-18s, they are the only nine plane jet demonstration team

in North America, and have fans come from all over the world to see their demonstrations. The Canadian Snowbirds were part of the Wings of Freedom Airshow in 2009 and came to visit for an impromptu demonstration in 2013.

The airshow will be held at the Richland County Airport at 1:00pm both days and tickets are \$15 for ages 15 and up, \$10 for ages 6 – 14, and kids 5 and under are free. Tickets will be on sale soon in Sidney at the Chamber of Commerce located at 909 S Central Ave., Richland Aviation located at 544 Airport Road, and Yellowstone Bank located at 120 2nd St. NW.

Other airmen demonstrating their talents are Brent Handy, Matt Younkin, Bill Stein, Jim Peitz, Gene Soucy, and Warren Pietsch. Pietsch and Danny Clisham, announcer for the event, are both honorary Snowbirds.

The 2016 Wings of Freedom Airshow has received partial funding through the Tourism Business Improvement District; TBID can provide partial funding for events that bring over-night guests to town, helping to promote Sidney as a visitors' center.





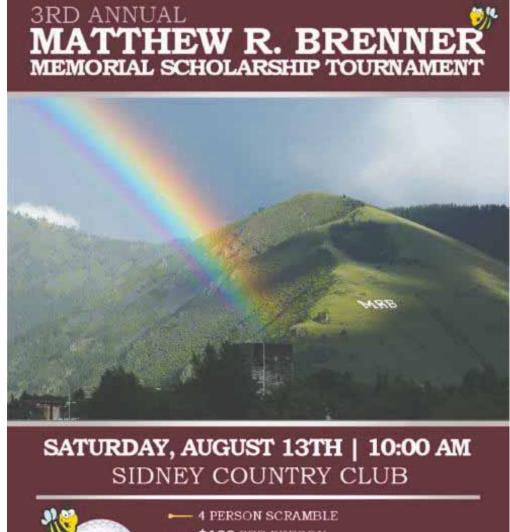
The Canadian Snowbirds



### Stockman Bank Grand Prize Winner

Garth Kallevig, president of Stockman Bank, presents Audreu Herman with the grand prize Traeger Grill given away during the Sidney Stockman Bank's grand opening celebration.







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# Sidney Health Center Successfully Recruits Additional OB/GYN

Sidney Health Center is pleased to announce the successful recruit of Malua Tambi, M.D. Dr. Tambi joined the medical staff in July as an OB/GYN.

Dr. Tambi provides a wide range of obstetrical and gynecological services. She welcomes the opportunity to provide comprehensive care to the women of the MonDak region. Her

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scope of practice includes obstetrics, low to high risk, office and surgical gynecology, well woman care, preventive care, and management of gynecological issues including menopause and infertility.

"We are excited to have Dr. Tambi join the medical staff and help us serve women living in the MonDak region," stated Rick Haraldson, Sidney Health

Center CEO.

Dr. Tambi received her medical degree from Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg in Mannheim, Germany and completed her obstetrics and gynecology residency at Morristown Medical

Center in Morristown, NJ in June 2013. Prior to relocating to Montana, Dr. Tambi worked in New Jersey at a private practice.

Dr. Tambi is located in the OB/GYN Suite #106 at the Sidney Health Center Clinic and works closely with Dr. Lisa Ross, OB/GYN and Wendy Wiltzen, FNP. To schedule an appointment with Dr. Tambi, please call the OB/GYN office at 406-488-2577.



Malua Tambi, M.D.





### **Scout Cabin Demolition**

Demolition began Monday morning on the old scout cabin next to the MonDak Heritage Center in Sidney. The cabin was built in 1934 with an addition in 1942 and was used for various purposes until 15 years ago.

According to board chairman Joe Bradley, The MonDak has no plans for the property yet, but couldn't do anything with a derelict building on the site. "We have some thoughts but nothing definite yet," Bradley said. "We could even use it for outside events, something we've never been able to do."

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8:30AM Horse Judging 5:00PM Free Corn Feed.

6:00PM o Mok See Children's Rodeo-Saddle Club Afternoon entertainment provided

FFA Alumni BBQ

by the Midway Band

Homegrown.

5:00PM Free meal sponsored by Culbertson Chamber

6:00PM 4-H/FFA Livestock Auction

8:00PM Entertainment with Terra Bella

Free Children's Entertainment Daily 10-7

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6:00PM Ranch Rodeo

1:00PM Rib Cook-off

1:30PM Money in the Straw

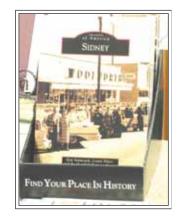
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August 11-13, 2016

Saturday-August 13

8:00AM Livestock Showmanship



On Friday, July 29th, Sidney residents gathered at the **Heritage Center for** the presentation of the latest book in the **Arcadia Publishing** series Images of **America that features** Sidney, MT. The book features over 200 vintage photos from the archives of the MonDak **Heritage Center and** was collaborated by Kim Simmonds, Leann Pelvit and the MonDak Heritage Center.

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## **2016 - 2017 After-School Program Final Registration**

6pm August 11th & 12th At The Central School Gymnasium

### Montana FSA: Farm Service Agency **Reminds Montana** Wheat Producers of **Marketing Loans**

USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director Bruce Nelson reminds Montana wheat producers that FSA Marketing Assistance Loans can help meet cash flow needs without selling commodities when market prices are at harvest-time lows.

"In the current marketing environment for wheat, producers are encouraged to contact our office to learn more about marketing loans so that they can make the best choice for their farming operations," Nelson said.

Wheat producers who are eligible to obtain marketing loans may also be eligible for loan deficiency payments (LDPs) if they choose to forgo the marketing loan to obtain the LDP should the posted county price fall below the county loan rate. The producer would agree to forgo the marketing loan in order to obtain an LDP. Producers can also purchase a commodity certificate that may be exchanged for the outstanding loan collateral. Unlike LDPs, use of commodity certificates does not affect payment limitations. Producers can check their daily LDP rates in Montana online at http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/ldppcpStateInfo?mystate=mt&area=home&subject=dalp&topic=landing.

For a commodity to be eligible for a loan, loan deficiency payment, or certificate, the producer must have beneficial interest in the commodity, defined as having title, possession and control of the commodity, and responsible for loss of or damage to the commodity. All related application forms must be completed at the local FSA office prior to loss of beneficial interest including page 1 of the CCC-633EZ form. Other eligibility requirements may apply; consult your local FSA office for more information.

Marketing assistance loans are also available for other commodities, such as corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats, soybeans and other oilseeds (including sunflower seed, rapeseed, canola, safflower, flaxseed, mustard seed, crambe and sesame seed), dry peas, lentils, small chickpeas, large chickpeas, grade and non-graded wool, mohair, unshorn pelts, honey and peanuts.

For more information, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/pricesupport and the Montana FSA website at www.fsa.usda.gov/mt. To find your local USDA Service Center, go to http://offices.usda.gov.

# **Veterinary Feed Directive** Meeting Aug. 16; Rule Changes Expected Jan. 1

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### By Tim Fine

Chances are, if you are in the business of livestock production, whether it's on the nutrition side, livestock care side, or as a producer, you have heard of the changes that will be coming as a result of the Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD). I know that this may be somewhat difficult to read but below I have copied and pasted a factsheet from Rachel Endecott, our MSU Extension Beef Cattle Specialist based in Bozeman.

If you want to learn more about the VFD and what potential changes may come your way because of it, you are welcome to join Rachel, Megan VanEmon (our beef cattle specialist at Ft. Keogh) and myself for a meeting on this very topic on Tuesday, August 16 starting at 1:00 PM here at the Richland County Extension Office.

### Where do these changes come from?

• FDA Guidance for Industry #209

o The use of medically important antibiotics in food-producing animals should be limited to those uses that are considered necessary for assuring animal health.

o The use of medically important antibiotics in food-producing animals should be limited to those uses that include veterinary oversight or consultation.

FDA Guidance for Industry #213

o Asks drug companies to voluntarily revise product labels to remove growth promotion and feed efficiency claims. o Provides for moving over-the-counter products to pre-

scription or veterinary feed directive (VFD) status. What are "medically important" antibiotics?

• This refers to drug classes important in human medicine. Some examples are:

### **Class of Antibiotic**

Aminoglycosides Lincosamides Macrolides

Penicillins Streptogramins Sulfonamides Tetracylcines

### **Feed-Grade Examples** Neomycin, Streptomycin

Lincomix® Pulmotil®, Tylan® Penicillin, CSP Stafac® Sulfamethazine, Aureomix® Aureomycin®, CTC

### What is a Veterinary Feed Directive?

· A VFD consists of paperwork for the drug in question which is filled out by a veterinarian (a veterinary-client-patient relationship should be in place). It gives a description of the livestock to be treated, some instructions to the feed mill, and an expiration date.

· The feed mill must have the VFD before feed can be distributed and the feed mill must notify the FDA.

### What will change as a result of these FDA **Guidances?**

· Growth promotion uses in feed no longer allowed.

- · Use of medically important feed antibiotics will need a VFD; can only be used for treatment, control, or prevention. · Each state's regulations or veterinary board will define
- what is a valid veterinary-client-patient relationship · Medically important water medications will move to pre-
- scription status.

### What won't change as a result of these FDA **Guidances?**

- · Use of non medically important drugs (ionophores, coccidiosis treatments) remains unchanged
- Ability to use feed-grade antibiotics labeled for treatment, control, or prevention won't change, but will require a VFD.
  - · Injectable antibiotic uses remain the same.
- Extra-label use of feed-grade antibiotics remains illegal · Veterinarians should still be involved in medication de-

I'm sure that this raises as many questions as it provides answers so I would encourage all of our livestock producers to attend. There is no cost and no pre-registration required but if you would like to call me or send an email to let me know you will be attending, it would be appreciated. You can contact me

at either 433-1206 or by email at timothy.fine@montana.edu.



# **DPHHS Promotes the** Importance of Breastfeeding

### August 1 -7 is **World Breastfeeding Week**

Officials with the Department of Public Health and Human Services said this week the rate at which Montana mothers initiate breastfeeding in the early stages of their child's life is one of the best in the nation.

According to a recent report, 91.2 % of Montana moms report initiating breastfeeding, which is fourth highest in the U.S. The national average is 79.2 %.

"Montana mothers recognize the important health benefits to breastfeeding, the challenge is to provide them the needed support and resources to enable them to meet their goals beyond initiation," said Kate Girard of the state's Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC).

August 1 − 7 is designated as World Breastfeeding Week. Girard says breastfeeding provides a long list of health benefits to both mom and baby, including:

Breastfeeding protects babies from infections and illnesses that include diarrheal diseases, ear infections and pneumonia.

Breastfed babies are less likely to develop asthma. Children who are breastfed for six months are less likely

Breastfeeding promotes good jaw and tooth development. Breastfeeding also reduces the risk of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

Breastfeeding promotes a close mother-baby bond. Mothers who breastfeed have a decreased risk of breast and ovarian cancers.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends exclusive breastfeeding for the first 6 months and continued breastfeeding to at least one year with complimentary foods.

Girard said Montana follows a national trend of lower breastfeeding rates as the child ages. At three months of age, 53% of Montana children are breastfed, which is still well above the national average of 40.7 %. Breastfeeding rates among WIC participants follow a similar

trend of 76 % of WIC participants who initiate breastfeeding, before seeing a decline to 23% fully breastfeeding at three months.

"While we still have work to do, we are making progress on increasing breastfeeding in our state," she said. "This week is an excellent opportunity to celebrate Montana's excellent progress on this very important issue."

WIC and the DPHHS Nutrition and Physical Activity Pro gram (NAPA) are working hard to promote breastfeeding in Montana. NAPA has been working with hospitals and birthing centers that deliver babies who are interested in becoming a Baby Friendly Hospital. The initiative recognizes birthing facilities who successfully implement the Ten Steps to Breastfeeding and the International Code of Marketing Breast-milk Substitutes. Two hospitals became Baby Friendly without NAPA's assistance.

Three other hospitals recently were designated Baby Friendly. There are nine more birthing facilities which are in the process.

For information about breastfeeding in MT, go to http:// dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/WIC.aspx

Health in the 406 - Focus on Breastfeeding

The AAP (American Academy of Pediatrics) recommends exclusive breastfeeding for the first 6 months and continued breastfeeding to at least one year with complimentary foods, this duration is associated with numerous health benefits for mom and baby.

Over 91% of Montana mothers initiate breastfeeding, but only 53% breastfeed exclusively at 3 months (76% to 23% among WIC participants).

Montana has 5 Baby Friendly Hospitals, which follow specific practices to support breastfeeding.

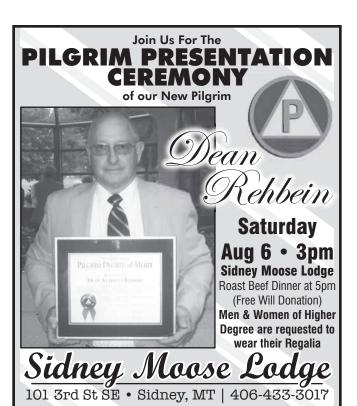




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8:00 am - Judging: Agriculture, Horticulture, & Floriculture exhibits

10:00 am - 2:00 pm - All 4-H Livestock exhibits entered Weighing of 4-H Market Beef

10:00 am - Fair Office opens 11:00 am- Event Center opens

### Throughout the Day:

North Star Amusements Carnival at 5 pm The Market Place, Exhibits, Displays, etc. Pippi The Clown (Strolling)

Times: 4:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m. Freckle Farm Petting Zoo

Times: 1:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m.

**1:00 pm** - Flag Raising Ceremony in the Oval 3:00 - 4:00 pm - Weighing: 4-H Hogs, Sheep, & Goats

**4:00 pm -** Judging: 4-H Poultry

6:00 pm - Judging: 4-H Dogs, Cats, Rabbits

7:00 pm - Small Animal Round Robin 7:30 pm - Party Rock Project (Free concert in Arena/

Grandstand) 10:00 pm - Agriculture Building closes

**Event Center closes** 

11:00 pm - Fair Office closes

### THURSDAY: CO-OP DAY

(Cenex Harvest States, Horizon Resources, Lower Yellowstone REA,

Mid-Rivers Communications, Nortana Grain, Northwest Farm Credit Services, Richland Federal Credit Union)

8:30 am - Judging: 4-H Livestock Judging (Swine,

Sheep, Dairy, Breeding Beef, Goat)

10:00 am - Fair Office opens 11:00 am - Agriculture Building opens

**Event Center opens** 

### Throughout the Day:

North Star Amusements Carnival at 2 pm The Market Place, Exhibits, Displays, etc. John Dunnigan (Inside the Old Commercial Building) Times: 2:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m.

Pippi The Clown (Strolling)

Times: 4:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m.

Freckle Farm Petting Zoo

Times: 1:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m. **Turkey Races** 

Times: 3:00 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm Double Vision...Twin Magic & Comedy (Free Act Stage) Times: 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

4:00 pm - gone - Free Root Beer Floats in the Sponsor Tent for Co-Op Day

5:00 pm - Judging: 4-H Market Beef 7:30 pm - PRCA Rodeo presented by Brookman Rodeo, LLC • \*\* Military Appreciation Night

10:00 pm - Agriculture Building closes **Event Center closes** 

11:00 pm - Fair Office closes

### FRIDAY:

Meadowlark Public House Day **8:00 am -** 4-H Showmanship (Sr./Jr.)

10:00 am - Fair Office opens

11:00 am - Agriculture Building opens

**Event Center opens** Meadowlark Public House Giving Away: Tokens,

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1:00 pm - Large Animal Round Robin (Sr./Jr.) 4:00 pm - Trophy & Awards Presentation (4-H Arena) **5:00 pm -** 4-H Livestock Sale (4-H Arena) 7:30 pm - PRCA Rodeo presented by Brookman Rodeo, LLC • Tough Enough to Wear Pink Night

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11:00 pm - Fair Office closes

### SATURDAY:

**ONEOK Rockies Midstream Day** Serving FREE Watermelon

10:00 am - 4-H Member & Alumni Obstacle Course

10:00 am - Fair Office opens

11:00 am - Agriculture Building opens

**Event Center opens** 

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Throughout the Day:

North Star Amusement Carnivals at 1:00 pm The Market Place, Exhibits, Displays, etc.

John Dunnigan (Inside the Old Commercial Building)

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Pippi The Clown (Strolling) Times: 3:00 p.m. ~ 7:00 p.m.

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Times: 3:00 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm Double Vision...Twin Magic & Comedy (Free Act Stage)

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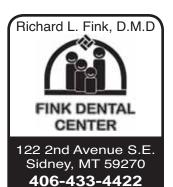
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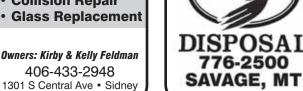






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# Statoil and NWND Community Foundation **Announce Statoil North Dakota Charitable** Fund; STEM Teacher Grants Available

Statoil is pleased to announce its partnership with Northwest North Dakota (NWND) Community Foundation and to be the first oil and gas company to support the newly established nonprofit organization with a \$50,000 contribution inaugurating the Statoil North Dakota Charitable Fund.

The Statoil North Dakota Charitable Fund will be managed by the Foundation and will initially support investments in K12 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)related education. Investments supporting first responders, community safety and emergency preparedness efforts will follow.

The NWND Community

Foundation is now accepting proposals for the Statoil STEM Education Fellowships teacher grants. The Fellowships will provide STEM educators with resources to support their professional development and to enhance STEM education in the region for students, educators, and their school communities. Program details, an application, and deadline information are available at www.NWNDCommunityFoundation.org.

"STEM competence is a critical component in the education of young people and the future of our workforce. This fund builds on our commitment to support the communities in northwest North Dakota where we work and live," said

Kent Evans, Statoil's Bakken Regional Manager. "We appreciate the opportunity to work with the board and staff of NWND Community Foundation, and to access their valuable expertise and guidance as we continue to invest charitable resources in Williams, McKenzie, and Mountrail counties."

"Statoil has always been such a great partner to the communities in our tricounty area, and the Northwest North Dakota Community Foundation is excited to be the vehicle through which Statoil's community giving dollars are deployed," remarked Ward Koeser, Board President of the NWND Community Foun-

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# **County Agent Update**

### N.D. Master Gardener Course **Begins** Sept. 9

If you love gardening and sharing your knowledge with others, consider becoming a North Dakota Master Gardener volunteer in collaboration with the North Dakota State University Extension Service.

This year's Master Gardener training program will run for 10 weeks beginning September 9 and ending December 2, with breaks for

The course will be offered online and in a traditional classroom setting. Classroom training will be held every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Classes will not be held on October 21, Veterans Day By Danielle Steinhoff

or the Friday after Thanksgiving.

"If weekday morning classes conflict with your schedule, watch online lectures in the comfort of your home on your own schedule," says Esther McGinnis, NDSU Extension horticulturist and North Dakota Master Gardener director. "For those who prefer traditional learning, classroom training will be conducted in Bismarck, Cooperstown, Devils Lake, Grand Forks, Fargo, Jamestown, Langdon, Minot, Rugby, Stanley and Valley City."

Course topics include annual and perennial flowers, tree selection and maintenance, soil health, composting, plant diseases and pests, and vegetable and fruit production. NDSU faculty and Extension personnel teach the classes.

Once participants complete the training, they are known as Master Gardener interns. They must volunteer 48 hours of time during a two-year period on horticultural projects in their home counties. After that, they will earn a Master Gardener certificate.

Projects include answering questions at county fairs, organizing horticultural workshops, and managing school and community gardens.

Tuition for the 2016 class is \$150 for those wishing to become a certified Master Gardener or \$400 for those just interested in taking the class. Computer knowledge, internet access and an email account are required.

Class size is limited and filled on a first-come, firstserved basis. The registration deadline is August 12.

A registration form is available at https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/mastergardener/. For more information, contact the Williams County NDSU Extension Service office at 701-577-4595 or McGinnis at 701-231-7406 or esther. mcginnis@ndsu.edu.

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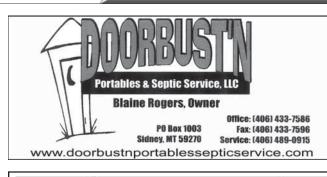
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# Jessie Veeder To Perform Free Public Concert

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in Bismarck. The free and family friendly concert will be

held in the outdoor Prairie Amphitheater. Seating is not provided, and those attending are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair. Veeder will be signing albums after the concert and merchandise will be available for purchase. Veeder has been a symbol of folk music in the badlands of

western North Dakota since she released her first original album when she was only sixteen years old. Her fourth original studio album, "Northern Lights," was released in 2015. Veeder was voted North Dakota's "Favorite Folk Artist" at the 2016 North Dakota Music Awards. She also works as a weekly columnist for statewide newspapers and maintains the popular blog "Meanwhile, back at the ranch..." chronicling life in western North Dakota.



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# **XTO Donates to Richland County Fire Department**

To show their continuing support for first responders and fire fighters, XTO Energy donated \$8000 to the Richland County Fire Department last Friday. "They are crucial in everything we do, and to the community," stated Lynn Welker, XTO public relations.

The fire department will use the donation to purchase new turnout gear, a purchase which is long overdue according to fire chief Larry Christensen and fire marshall/deputy fire chief Rob Gilbert.

Pictured are, I to r, Gilbert, Christensen, Kaylan Dirkx, XTO Energy environmental health and safety coordinator, and Welker.





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### **Airport Land Purchase Agreements** Signed; City to Move **Forward** on Phase One of Construction **Process**

Williston Basin International Airport to Become a Reality

The Williston City Commission has received signed purchase agreements for the land necessary to build the Williston Basin International Airport and will begin the bidding process to start on the first phase of construction.

The first phase of the project will be the construction of the terminal building foundation surcharge, including the preliminary construction of roads and staging areas and this is expected to be completed by year's end. Additional work being bid this year is the rough site grading project and 59th Street re-route. Estimates for projects being bid this year are \$18.5 million in construction costs. Some portions will be funded with FAA grants.

"We are excited to be starting this new phase on the airport relocation. A regional airport is essential for the continued economic growth of Northwest North Dakota and we are confident that it will positively impact Williston for many generations to come," said Mayor Howard Klug,

Groundbreaking for the \$240 million airport relocation project is slated for October 10th and will include a formal ceremony involving local, state and federal officials.

# Sidney High School Graduate Mark LaPan Earns Dean's Award at Colgate University

Colgate University Class of 2019 member Mark LaPan, a Physics major from Sidney, MT, has earned the spring Dean's Award for Academic Excellence.

The Dean's Award at Colgate is awarded to students with a 3.30 or higher term averag

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# OUTDOORS

# Agate Hunting Is A Unique & Accessible **Hobby Along The Yellowstone River**



The dark colorations in this agate were formed by silica and water.

### By Meagan Dotson

As a kid I remember taking long walks with my grandma through the prairie, and she would go along picking agates. As an adult, I learned that Montana agates are some of the most unique and sought-after agates in the world, bringing people to our area from all over. Still, there are many people in the area that have never tried the past-time that draws so many visitors, and so I decided to give it a go.

It's easy to spot an agate, all cleaned up and gleaming in the sun, however deciphering them amid hundreds of other rocks is a challenge, and my childhood memories are a little blurry, so I contacted Tina Bartelson with Harmon's Agate & Silver Shop & Museum in Savage.

On a hot summer evening, she was kind enough to give me a crash course, and we headed to Elk Island. Being the daughter of Tom and Cheryl Harmon, owners of Harmon's Agate & Silver Shop & Museum, Bartelson has been agate hunting for as long as she can remember and immediately starts picking them out of the gravel along the river banks.

August through October is agate hunting season along the Yellowstone River, which recedes and exposes the rocks along its banks. Montana agates are unique because they have all the qualities of every other agate in the world including banding, unique colorations, and dendrites; they are formed with water, silica, lava, manganese, and sediments and the key to finding them is to look for a rock that has some translucent part to it.

An agate's beauty, after it's been cut and polished, is the patterns and pictures that have formed within it. Silica and water

create the black coloration, manganese is responsible for the

white, and reds and oranges are the result of iron oxide. As we hunt, Bartelson explains that it's a cost effective, family-friendly hobby, that gives people a good reason to spend a day outdoors, along the river. A gardening spade, backpack to bring home your haul, along with water and sunscreen are really the only equipment you need to get started. Seven Sisters, Elk Island, Intake, and the MDU bridge are a few places that are

good for agate hunting. As we go, I realize that my eye isn't as sharp as I might've hoped, presenting several findings to her that she tells me are very pretty rocks, but not agates. The best way to tell is to rinse them in the river and hold them up to the sun to determine if they're translucent. We even find some petrified wood and quartz.

"People can bring what they find into the shop and I can tell them for sure if they've got an agate. A lot of people bring in quartz because it's sort of translucent, but it's also usually smooth. Agates are more dimpled," she explains.

They can be used to make jewelry, wind chimes, lamps and much more, though it takes a diamond blade to cut them because they have a #7 hardness. In my case, they will simply be a unique and beautiful addition to landscaping.

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This agate was a bit tricky to spot, but holding it up to the light, banding can be seen through the translucent parts of the rock.



This is a good example of the red and orange colors caused by iron oxide.







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Gem City Motors is happy to donate this brand new 2016 Chevy Silverado to anyone who gets a hole-inone on hole 9 during the 23rd Annual Golf Scramble. Pictured from left to right are Executive Director of the Foundation for Community Care Gina Heckey, Gem City's General Manager and Sales Consultant Wayne Nentwig, Sales Manager Nate Creek, and Sales Consultant Derek Nentwig.

### By Meagan Dotson

The Foundation for Community Care is excited to announce that Gem City Motors has donated a new 2016 Chevy Silverado valued at over \$47,000 as the prize for anyone who gets a holein-one on the 9th hole during the 23rd Annual Golf Scramble. Gem City was happy to sponsor the prize for the fundraising event. The golf scramble will be held Saturday, August 27th at the Sidney Country Club. The shotgun start is at 9:00am and golfers are encouraged to play for a good cause.

Another hole-in-one prize is the generous donation of \$10,000 cash sponsored by A2Z Construction. In fact, there is prize potential at every hole, as well as on the putting green where a mini-golf putt challenge will be set up. Located at one of the holes will be an air cannon that golfers can use for a donation, to give their ball some extra distance.

"The prizes are a way to get people excited about the tournament and things like the air cannon and mini golf keep it fun," said Community Engagement Coordinator Heather Cotter.

Grand prize winners will get a trip to Las Vegas and shopping spree at Top Golf. Other team prizes include golf gadget essential kits and gift cards to the Pop-up Pro-Shop which will be located on site the day of the tournament.

Registration is \$150.00 per person, with six people to a team. Both complete teams and individuals are invited to register online at www.foundationforcommunitycare.org, on the Foun dation for Community Care's Facebook page, or by stopping in at 221 2nd St. NW in Sidney.

# Tessa Larsen **Participated** In MedStart Camp

### Submitted by Beth Brunk

Ten high school juniors and seniors from eastern Montana participated in the 2016-Miles City MedStart Camp from July 17-21. MedStart Summer Camp is a 5-day summer camp program sponsored by the Montana Area Health Education Center (AHEC) system. The program is designed to encourage students to pursue their interest in a variety of healthcare careers. The aim is to provide students a chance to further explore healthcare careers, learn about college life, and realize it is possible to pursue higher education. Five MedStart programs were offered in the summer of 2016; Missoula, Butte, Miles City, Great Falls

Culbertson student Tessa Larsen participated in the week long camp. She toured and received information at many area healthcare facilities including OneHealth, Holy Rosary Healthcare, Hogan Dental, Miles City Fire/Rescue, Fort Keogh, MCC Nursing and Dahl Memorial in Ekalaka, completed job shadowing at Holy Rosary Healthcare and Miles City Fire and Rescue in Miles City and was exposed to many different opportunities. She also spent one evening having fun at the WaterWorks Art Museum learning print making from Mark Stevens. The students spent the week at the Miles Community College dorms to give

them a taste of college living. North Eastern Montana AHEC located at Montana Health Network in Miles City sponsored the Miles City camp. Other sponsors of this event include: Miles Community College, Holy Rosary Healthcare and OneHealth Montana, all in Miles City, in addition, Nibs and Edna Allen Foundation, BNSF Foundation, Dahl Memorial Healthcare in Ekalaka and Roosevelt Memorial Medical Center in Culbertson all provided financial support.