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Reasons For Both Optimism And Pessimism In Irrigation Hearing

By Tom Halvorson

The federal district court in Great Falls heard arguments on motions for summary judgment in the lawsuit by Defenders of Wildlife against our irrigation project. Summary judgment means judgment without a trial. It can be granted only when the law and facts are so clear that a trial would be a waste of time.

Judge Brian Morris asked why the Court wasn't told before now that, when it comes to recovery of the species, there is no difference between hatchery pallid sturgeon and wild pallid sturgeon. He said he was stunned to hear it.

What is stunning about it? Well, if there are 18,000 hatchery fish already in the rivers and they are as vital for recovery of the species as wild fish, then what was this whole lawsuit about to begin with?

But, those fish had been brought up before. It is difficult to account for the judge having missed it. This throws a wildcard into his deliberations.

The response by the government's attorney, Coby Howell, was good. Disagreeing with a judge is risky. Howell showed valor in standing up for us. He said the issue actually had been addressed before, both in filings and oral arguments.

The plaintiff's lawyers were allowed to filibuster the hearing. They talked so long that little time was left for our side to speak. Supporters of irrigation took this as a bad sign.

It might be bad, but maybe not. Sometimes when judges are inclined to rule against a party, they give that party lots of time and rulings on things like objections. This avoids giving the losing party issues for appeal about how the judge presided over the hearing. Judges may try to "appeal proof" a decision.

This could be at play for us. Early in the hearing, Judge Morris told the plaintiff's attorneys, "You need to persuade me that the 9th Circuit is wrong." He was referring to the 9th Circuit's reversal of his preliminary injunction against us. If we can take it at face value, this statement fits with an optimistic view of why he allowed the filibuster. Maybe he allowed it because, given the 9th Circuit ruling, now he thinks Defenders of Wildlife are trying to roll a stone up a hill.

This hearing raised public consciousness about a claim by Defenders of Wildlife that ongoing operations of the Intake diversion weir are illegal and must be stopped. This is completely aside from whether a new weir is constructed or a fish bypass is built. Now we see more newspapers reporting the truth that this lawsuit threatens to terminate irrigation.

Attorneys on our side used their short time well to address that, and their arguments dovetailed nicely with each other. The government's attorney said it would not make sense for Congress to approve the weir but not approve maintenance for its annual operation. Then the irrigation project's attorney amplified that argument with another argument based on the words Congress used in a statute. There is a statute authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to construct, use, and operate dams on the Yellowstone River for irrigation. The words construct, use, and operate sound like they include maintenance so that we can keep irrigating.

This hearing also raised public consciousness that the suit challenges Fort Peck. Many have said, if Defenders of Wildlife win this case, next they will attack Fort Peck. But, Fort Peck already is under attack in this lawsuit.

Attorneys for our side used well the presence of 240 to 250 supporters of irrigation. Usually it is considered inappropriate to "appeal to the gallery" in court arguments. There was a moment when it was clarified that the prohibitive costs of the pumping alternative sought by Defenders of Wildlife would be assessed to LYIP. One attorney said, in other words, assessed to the



The Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project Summary Judgment hearing was held April 26 in Great Falls. Approximately 250 people watched the proceedings. After the hearing, supporters of LYIP posed for the photo above. LYIP provides irrigation water to a large portion of eastern Montana extending into western North Dakota. These farming operations form the economic base for the region.

people in this room.

That "appeal to the gallery" in this instance was a good move. The people on whom the burden would be loaded needed to be tangible to the Court. Work by the economic development corporation, the irrigation project, the county commissioners, and community leaders like Philip C. Johnson, James Brower, and others to bring people to court set the stage for a capable lawyer to make the impossible burden of pumping visible in concrete terms. He made the people into a courtroom exhibit.

Defenders of Wildlife claim that the biological opinion that the fish bypass will make thing better for the pallid sturgeon is so flawed as to be illegal. This bites off a big mouthful. Flaws in biological opinions can be less extreme than that. When the flaws are less extreme, they must be proved at a trial because the flaws are disputable by evidence. But a motion for summary judgment seeks to win without letting the other side have a trial. That is why Defenders of Wildlife, to avoid a trial, had to claim the flaw was so extreme that it went beyond a matter of clashing evidence in a trial to a matter

of law that does not require a trial.

This claim might be too extreme to prove to the 9th Circuit in an appeal of summary judgment. Along with the 18,000 hatchery fish, this is my primary reason for being cautiously optimistic. Judge Morris has to know the appeal prospects for this claim. The question is: how much will the appeal prospects influence the judge's decision?

Lucky Buckle to Close After 10 Years in Business



Marcie Sondeno, owner of The Lucky Buckle, and her son Marc. Not pictured Matt Sondeno and Mike Albin.

By Stephanie Ler

After 10 years of offering quality, name-brand clothing to Richland County, the Lucky Buckle is set to close by early summer.

Lucky Buckle owner Marcie Sondeno started the business a decade ago, chasing a dream. "10 years ago I decided I didn't want to work in the oil field anymore and I wanted to follow a passion of mine and open a clothing boutique," she explained. "I just went with it and found the location downtown." The first Lucky Buckle store was located on Central Avenue, where the new FuHao Restaurant is located.

After 5 years in business, the opportunity presented itself to expand. "We got approached by John Reynolds on the Fox Run development and thought it was a place we wanted to be. It came time to either go bigger or stay the same," Sondeno explained. In 2013, the Lucky Buckle moved out to its current loca-

tion in The Shoppes at Fox Run. The store expanded from 900 square feet to 2400 square feet, almost tripling in size. The additional space allowed Sondeno to expand her product selection and add a coffee bar.

The store closing is bittersweet for Sondeno, but the time was right to switch gears from business owner to devoted mom. She and her husband Matt welcomed their first child, Marc, early last year. "For the time being I will stay busy being a mom. My husband and I have cattle and we have hay ground. I'm sure my husband will keep me plenty busy. It will be a relief to be able to help him out. And then, most importantly, enjoy Marc while he is little," she said.

Sondeno gives credit to her family and employees for helping to keep things running smoothly for so many years. "I'm definitely going to miss my employees. I've had some amazing employees. I want to

say thank you to especially my mom, she is an amazing mother, grandmother, free labor. Without her I'm not sure if this would have all been possible this last ten years," Sondeno explained.

"The top and most important is my loyal Lucky Buckle customers. They have been the people who have kept the doors open for so many years," she said.

Beginning Wednesday May 2 at 4PM, the Lucky Buckle will start its total liquidation sale. Everything must go. "There will be great sales from top brands like Cinch, Corral boots, Tin Haul, Justin, some amazing accessories. All the antique display pieces are for sale as well," Sondeno explained.

The sale will continue until everything is sold, which Sondeno expects to take up to six weeks.

"I'm excited. It'll be good," she concludes.

Little House on the Prairie



Sandy Richter, from the Pioneer Museum of McKenzie County, reads a short story taken from The Little House on the Prairie book to the second graders from the Watford City Elementary School on Wednesday, April 25. The second-graders also had the opportunity to learn how to make bread and how to churn butter and were able to sample a piece of bread and butter afterwards. They also learned about washing clothes from scrubbing articles of clothing on the washboard to how it is done today. The history of McKenzie County was another topic, it was the last county in North Dakota to be settled and it was originally called the Island Empire being surrounded by three rivers and the badlands and the only way there was the Fairview lift bridge or by ferry. Sandy has a goal to make museums an interesting place where kids want to come and learn about the past.



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LAKE WATER LEVEL REPORT

Sakakawea

Current Elevation.....	1842.2
Last Week's Elev.	1841.6
One Year Ago	1841.6
Release For Day (C.F.S.)	32,000

SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
April 23	48	38	0.09
April 24	61	28	0.00
April 25	70	35	0.00
April 26	70	33	0.00
April 27	64	36	0.00
April 28	75	38	0.00
April 29	81	41	0.28
Total YTD Precipitation.....	2.54		

OBITUARIES

Jack R. Fasig, 80 Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Jack R. Fasig, 80, of Sidney were held at 10 a.m., Saturday, April 28 at Faith Alliance Church, Sidney, MT with Pastor Paul Turek officiating.

Interment with Military Honors was in Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT under the direction of the Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Sidney.

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

Jack died on Wednesday morning, March 7 at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home, Glendive, MT.

Glenn Mavity, 90 Lambert, MT most recently of Sidney, MT

Memorial graveside services for Glenn Mavity, 90, of Lambert, MT and more recently of Sidney, MT are at 10 a.m., Saturday, May 5 at Newlon Cemetery.

A reception will follow from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at Lambert Fire Hall, all are welcome to attend.

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

Glenn died on Sunday, April 15 at Sidney Health Center.

Burgers In The Park BBQ

The Sidney Eagle Wrestling Club will BBQ burgers at Veteran's Memorial Park (train park on Central) every Tuesday starting May 1 and continuing on through May 12 from 4:30-7 p.m. This event will be a free will donation which will help support the Sidney Eagle Wrestlers headed for National Duals in Orlando, Florida June 23-30.

Savage Rabies Clinic May 5

The Annual Savage Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, May 5 from 9-11 a.m. at the Savage Fire Hall. High Plains Vet Clinic will be administering rabies and distemper shots for dogs and cats. They will also have flea and tick products available. Be sure to bring your pets by to have them protected against rabies.

Coach D's 21st Annual Hi-Line Hoop Camps

It is just about time to register for the Hi Line Hoop Camps. Hi-Line Hoop Camps are instructed by Bill Dreikosen, head Men's Basketball Coach at Rocky Mountain College in Billings MT.

The Hi-Line Hoop Camps will be at Culbertson School on June 4 and 5 for boys and girls grades 1-12. Grades 1-5 will be from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and grades 6-12 will be from 1-4 p.m. The cost for the camp is \$65.

Basic features of the camp will be Positive Environment, Daily Themes, and Commitment to Improvement and Great Competition.

Camp registration forms will be available at the area schools. If you need more information call Bill Dreikosen at 406-860-3133. You can also email Bill at dreikow@rocky.edu.

Distracted Driving

By Don Smies

Basically, "distracted driving" is a catch-all phrase for anything that diverts a driver's attention from safely operating the motor vehicle. Such distractions can include anything from eating and drinking to talking to other passengers.

There are three most common types of distractions:

- Manual, anything that requires you to take your hands off the wheel, such as: Eating or drinking. Smoking. Adjusting seat belts or vehicle controls. Texting and talking on your phone.
- Visual, anything that requires you to remove your eyes from the road, to include: Changing the radio station. Adjusting the navigation system. Searching for items within the vehicle. Looking at other passengers. Texting and talking on your phone.
- Cognitive, anything that takes your focus away from driving- this could be: Talking to passengers. Singing along with the radio. Driving with high emotion (sad, angry, etc.) Texting and talking on your phone.

Notice anything about each list? That's right- your cell phone falls right into all three categories of driving distractions. In fact, texting and driving along with talking on the phone has become the deadliest factor in distracted driving crashes.

Driving distractions such as these can reduce or eliminate your reaction time to a problem on the road causing you to lose control of the vehicle. Now is the time to show your commitment to safe driving. Take our Pledge to End Distracted Driving now, and challenge your friends to do the same. It's everyone's responsibility to look out for one another on the roads- so here's our chance to do it together.

Eyes on the road. Hands on the wheel. Head in the game.

I pledge to drive distraction free. I will not:

- Have a phone conversation – handheld, hands-free, or via Bluetooth
- Text or send Snapchats
- Use voice-to-text features in my vehicle's dashboard system
- Update Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Vimeo or other social media
- Check or send emails
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- Input destinations into GPS (while the vehicle is in motion)
- Call or message someone else when I know they are driving

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RICHLAND COUNTY

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

Sat., May 5
9-11 a.m. - **Savage Rabies Clinic** - High Plains Vet Clinic will be administering rabies and distemper shots for dogs and cats. Flea and tick products will also be available. Savage Fire Hall, Savage, MT.

11:30 a.m. - **Scootfest And Biker's Ball's** - Bike show, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m., \$5 entry fee; mini poker run; dance with live music, 8 p.m.-12 a.m., \$5 entry fee. Richland County Event Center, Sidney, MT.

Sun., May 6
9:30 a.m. - **Ebenezer Congregational Church 100th Anniversary Celebration** - Sunday school for all, 9:30 a.m.; church service, 11 a.m.; singspiration, 2 p.m. 118 4th Ave. NW, Sidney, MT.

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

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

Thurs., May 10
5:30 p.m. - **Spring Extravaganza: Landscapes of Savage** - Dinner/donation feed, 5:30 p.m.; gallery walk, 6:30 p.m.; spring music concert, awards night and 8th grade graduation, 7 p.m. Savage School, 368 Mesa St.

Fri., May 11
2 p.m. - **Proud To Be American Performance** - West Side third graders will be performing Proud To Be American. West Side Gym, Sidney, MT.

Sat., May 12
7-11 p.m. - **St. Matthew's Spring Fling** - Semi-formal dance, grades 6-8. DJ music by Midnight Express. Open to all area youth. \$10 per person. St. Matthew's Parish Center, Sidney, MT. For more information call Colleen Haralson, 482-2680.

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

Tues., May 15
12 p.m. - **Richland Red Hatters Lunch Meeting** - Fox Lake Senior Center, Lambert, MT. RSVP by May 12, Sylvia, 798-3882 or Margaret, 488-4613. If you need a ride let Sylvia or Margaret know when you RSVP.

Thurs., May 17
7 p.m. - **Candidates Forum** - Open format, no screened questions, homemade pie. Girard Hall. Sponsored by Girard Homemakers. All local candidates plus several statewide candidates will be there. Your **PRIMARY VOTE** is your **ONLY** vote for local candidates.

Fri., May 18
6:30 p.m. - **"Transyl-Mainia" Performance** - The Sidney Middle School Players will perform the totally teen comedy "Transyl-Mainia". This event will also occur on May 19. Admission will be a freewill donation to the Eagle Foundation. Sidney Middle School Auditorium, Sidney, MT.

Sat., June 9
Sugar Valley Hoopfest 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament - Sixth grade through adult (male and female, adult co-ed) Register by May 31online at fairviewcommunityfoundation.org. Sharbono Park, Fairview, MT. For more information contact Laurie, 406-489-1094.

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

ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Events in Culbertson unless otherwise listed. CT Zone

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

McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone

Thurs., May 3
4:30-6:30 p.m. - **University Of Mary Alumni Gathering** - Join the University of Mary for a networking event with UMary alumni and get an update form UMary staff. Both alumni and friends are welcome with complementary appetizers provided. Stonehome Brewing Company, 313 Fox Hills Parkway, Watford City, ND.

Sat., May 12
8 a.m. - **Pick Up The Patch 2018** - Meet up location, Watford City Fire Hall. Pancake feed provided for volunteers. For more information contact Kylee Roff, 701-713-6913.

10:30 a.m. - **Princess Palooza Art & Craft Classes** - Your child will find her inner princess in this fun art and craft class that focuses on self worth, chasing goals and finding value in her special abilities. Ages 6-12. Three classes, May 12, 19 and 26. \$35 per child. All supplies included. Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway, Watford City, ND. Tickets available at www.longxarts.com

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

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

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

Mon., May 7
4-7 p.m. - **67th Annual Shrine Club Circus** - Adult 14 and over, \$10; child 13 and under, \$5. Raymond Family Community Center, Williston, ND. This event also occurs May 8. Like us on facebook for special discounts www.thejordanworldcircus.com. Proceeds benefit Williston Shrine Club.

Thurs., May 17
7 p.m. - **Fort Buford History Book Club** - Join history buffs in a discussion of this month's selected book, "The Radium Girls," by Kate More. Free refreshments. Please call in advance, 701-572-9034. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center.

Fri., May 18
7 p.m. - **Leeds Banner Girls Choir Concert** - Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. 701-572-9034.

DAWSON COUNTY

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone

Thurs., May 3
6-8 p.m. - **Dawson County Candidate Public Forum Meet & Greet** - All candidates invited. County Courthouse, 207 W. Bell Street, Glendive, MT.

Sat., May 19
10 a.m. - **MT Wilderness Association Hike** - Hike the Vista trail. Free event. Guided by Ranger Tom Shoush. Meet at Vista Trailhead, Makoshika Park, Glendive, MT. For more information call 406-377-6256.

DISTRICT 2C

TRACK & FIELD MEET

Tuesday, May 8th

At Lambert High School

Schedule of Events:

Track Events

9:30am	100 Meter Hurdles.....	Girls
	110 Meter Hurdles.....	Boys
10:00am	100 Meter Dash Trials.....	Girls
	100 Meter Dash Trials.....	Boys
10:20am	400 Meter Run.....	Girls
	400 Meter Run.....	Boys
10:50am	1600 Meter Run.....	Girls
	1600 Meter Run.....	Boys
11:20am	200 Meter Dash Trials.....	Girls
	200 Meter Dash Trials.....	Boys
11:45am	400 Meter Relay.....	Girls
	400 Meter Relay.....	Boys
12:30pm	300 Meter Hurdles.....	Girls
	300 Meter Hurdles.....	Boys
1:00pm	100 Meter Dash Finals.....	Girls
	100 Meter Dash Finals.....	Boys
1:30pm	800 Meter Run.....	Girls
	800 Meter Run.....	Boys
1:55pm	200 Meter Dash Finals.....	Girls
	200 Meter Dash Finals.....	Boys
2:15pm	3200 Meter Run.....	Girls
	3200 Meter Run.....	Boys
2:45pm	1600 Meter Relay.....	Girls
	1600 Meter Relay.....	Boys

Field Events

9:00am	Pole Vault.....	Girls
	Pole Vault.....	Boys
	Shot Put.....	Girls
	Javelin.....	Boys
	High Jump.....	Boys
	Triple Jump.....	Girls
10:30am	Discus.....	Girls
	Long Jump.....	Boys
12:00pm	Javelin.....	Girls
	High Jump.....	Girls
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Sidney-Richland County Library Receives Statewide Award

On April 13th, at the 106th annual Montana Library Association conference held in Bozeman, the Sidney-Richland County Library received the 2018 Excellent Library Service Award (ELSA) from the Montana State Library (MSL) Commission. The awards were announced by the Chair of the Commission, Bruce Newell of Helena.

The ELSA recognizes libraries for achieving excellence in serving their communities by exceeding the essential Montana Public Library Standards. These standards define 'excellence' in thirteen categories. Nearly everything happens in Montana's public libraries, including collec-

tion development, information access, policies, planning and evaluation, fiscal management, board accomplishments, continuing education for staff and trustees, and outreach to the community.

"The Montana State Library Commission is pleased to recognize Montana's excellent libraries with the Excellent Library Service Award," said Chair Newell. "Providing excellent library services in Montana is not an easy or insignificant thing. Our wide-open spaces, and too often, our steep fiscal challenges, make it difficult for libraries to provide Montanans with the resources, services, and technologies they need. Li-

braries receiving an ELSA have met or surmounted these challenges. The Commission congratulates ELSA-winning libraries' trustees, library staff, and communities for their achievement and commitment to excellence."

Thirty libraries received the ELSA in 2018. This marks the third straight year that the Sidney-Richland County Library has been awarded this honor.

For more information on the Excellent Library Service Award, visit http://libraries.msl.mt.gov/library_development/standards/excellent_library_service_award or contact Tracy Cook at (406) 444-9816 or tcook2@mt.gov.

Sidney Middle School Presents Transyl-Mainia May 18 And 19

Everyone is invited to join the Sidney Middle School Players for the totally teen comedy "Transyl-Mainia" May 18 and 19.

Sixteen young actors are preparing a terrific show thanks to the assistance of the Eagle Foundation. All your favorite monsters take the stage as we learn people aren't so different after all.

Authors Flip Kobler and Cindy Marcus debuted the show in 2013 in Jefferson City, Missouri and it is being produced in Sidney by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., Englewood, Colorado.

Zariah Gonsales, Presley Ann Rasmussen and Katrina Ridl will all be featured in multiple roles.

Gage Johnson is Vlad, Amelya Villegas is playing Phanny, Wyatt Reid is Griffin, Zoe Fahrnow is Frankie, Hunter Moore plays Todd the zombie, Mikaela Villegas is Fida, Aiden Berntson is Humphrey, Kodi Schulz is Viktori Frankenstien, Emma Cudiff is Vonda, Blake Benson portrays

Cosmo, Alexis Obergfell is Chelsea and Riley Ann Harms plays Riley. Emily Rose Ferguson is assisting Director Arch Ellwein.

There will be a 2 p.m. Friday matinee for the Middle School student body. Showtimes at the Sidney Middle School Auditorium are at 6:30 p.m. each night Friday, May 18 and Saturday, May 19. Admission will be a freewill donation to the Eagle Foundation going toward supporting Sidney Schools and our students.



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F.T. Reynolds Co. awarded the past quarter's Friends of Reynolds (FOR) donations to participating non-profit groups in the five Reynolds Market stores – Sidney, Glendive, Miles City, Baker and Glasgow. A total of \$6920.62 was donated back to FOR non-profit organizations. Each quarter Reynolds Market stores donate a percentage back of the total purchases made by the FOR nonprofit members. Reynolds Market store manager Loren Kutzler, middle, awards Sidney store recipients, from left, to Lori Wilhelm - Foundation for Community Care, Craig Price - Lonsdale United Methodist Church, Stephanie Ler - Fellowship Food Pantry, Tim Fine - Richland County 4-H, Jon Skinner - West Side Elementary, Loren Kutzler - Reynolds Market Manager, Dan Peters - Richland Opportunities Inc., Kim Martin - Sidney Lions Club, Nic Cass - Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Ethan Hoffman - Boys & Girls Club of Richland County, MT. Also receiving checks were Matt Brenner Memorial Scholarship, St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Emmaus House, Sidney Gymnastics Club, Sidney Lutheran Brethren, Eastern MT Community Mental Health Center, Loyal Order of the Moose, Richey School, St. Catherine's Church, Sidney JSEC, Sidney First Church of the Nazarene, and the Mondak Heritage Center. For more information on the Friends of Reynolds nonprofit program go to ReynoldsMarket.com/friends-of-reynolds. (Photo submitted)

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

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

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Lunch Menus!

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Thurs., May 3: Chicken drumstick, potatoes, gravy, corn, banana, dinner roll.
Fri., May 4: Chili, cinnamon rolls, pineapple tidbits.
Mon., May 7: Cheeseburger, french fries, peaches.
Tues., May 8: Spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic toast, mandarin oranges.
Wed., May 9: Super nachos, tater tots, fresh fruit.

Savage School
Thurs., May 3: Chicken wings, mashed potatoes.
Fri., May 4: Barber poles, fries.
Mon., May 7: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes.
Tues., May 8: Tater tot casserole, green beans.
Wed., May 9: Tostadas, re-fried beans.

Rau School
Thurs., May 3: Fish sticks or fish nuggets, wedges, carrots, mixed fruit.
Fri., May 4: Breakfast sandwich, hash browns, apple-sauce.
Mon., May 7: Chicken strips, potato, gravy, corn, pears.
Tues., May 8: Ham, scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots, tropical fruit, dinner roll.
Wed., May 9: Ravioli or chicken alfredo, green beans, peaches, bread.

Froid School
Thurs., May 3: Stroganoff over noodles, buns, veggies, fruit.
Fri., May 4: Leftover day.
Mon., May 7: Corn dogs, fries, veggies, fruit.
Tues., May 8: Taco casserole, lettuce mix, taco bar, fruit.
Wed., May 9: Morgan's Day! Philly cheese steak subs, chips, pears, chocolate cake.

Bainville School
Thurs., May 3: Honey chicken, rice, egg roll, stir fry veggies, fruit.
Fri., May 4: Turkey cheese wraps, chips, veggie sticks, fruit.
Mon., May 7: Taco salad, fruit.
Tues., May 8: Pizza hotdish, cheesy breadstick, corn, fruit.
Wed., May 9: BBQ pork, green beans, tater tots, fruit.

Richey School
Wed., May 2: Corn dogs, macaroni and cheese, corn, pears.
Thurs., May 3: Tater tot casserole, dinner roll, mandarin oranges.
Fri., May 4: Tacos, fresh veggies, applesauce.

Mon., May 7: Super potato oles, fresh veggies, fruit cocktail.
Tues., May 8: Chicken strips, fries, peas, peaches.
Wed., May 9: Goulash, corn, pineapple.

Culbertson School
Thurs., May 3: Pork chop sandwich, carrot and celery sticks.
Fri., May 4: Pizza, salad, fruit.
Mon., May 7: Raviolis, breadsticks, fruit.
Tues., May 8: Hot ham and cheese sandwich, tater tots, fruit.
Wed., May 9: Chicken taco casserole, salad, fruit.

Lambert School
Wed., May 2: Tater tot hotdish, salad, fruit, buns.
Thurs., May 3: Hot ham and cheese, chips, fruit.
Fri., May 4: Chicken and noodles, buns, fruit.
Mon., May 7: Chicken nuggets, potato wedges, fruit.
Tues., May 8: Goulash, corn, fruit, buns.
Wed., May 9: Grilled chicken sandwich, macaroni salad, fruit.

Fairview School
Wed., May 2: Hamburgers, mini corn dogs, fries, fruit.
Thurs., May 3: Chicken fajitas, spanish rice, veggies, fruit.
Fri., May 4: No school.
Mon., May 7: Taco triangle quesadillas, re-fried beans, veggies, fruit.
Tues., May 8: Chicken tenders, tater tots, fruit, pretzel.
Wed., May 9: Sub sandwiches, chips and salsa, raw veggies, fruit, pudding.

Watford City School
Thurs., May 3: Cooks choice.
Fri., May 4: No school.
Mon., May 7: Pepperoni and cheese stuffed breadstick with marinara dipping sauce, mixed veggies, pears.
Tues., May 8: Hot ham and cheese on a croissant, baked lays, carrot sticks, fruit cup.
Wed., May 9: Cooks choice.

Alexander School
Wed., May 2: Enchiladas, rice.
Thurs., May 3: Chicken drumstick, baked beans.
Fri., May 4: Burgers, fries.
Mon., May 7: Hot dogs, macaroni and cheese.
Tues., May 8: Meatball sub.
Wed., May 9: Tater tot hotdish or scalloped potatoes and ham, green beans, bread.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Janet Christoffersen is the right choice for the next Richland County Attorney. She has the ability to work with people and for the people. Janet has always been approachable, honest and hard working without any hidden agendas.

While I served as Sheriff of Richland County, I saw a number of Deputy County Attorneys come and go. To me it takes more than just knowing the law and applying it across the board. You are still dealing with people and we are all different. Janet Christoffersen understands that. I watched first hand how she dealt with the people that she prosecuted. Offenders were held accountable for their actions and also treated like human beings. Janet works well with all the different facets of the justice system, from the judges to defense attorneys and law enforcement. Her ability to get along with them makes the justice system run more efficiently without unnecessary filings, continuances or delays.

The Representation We Need.

Dear Editor:

I'm writing today about why I am supporting Joel Krautter for Representative of our house district and why it is so important for others to get out and vote for him on June 5th in the Republican Primary.

I've gotten to know Joel these past few years through our involvement in the Richland County Republican Central Committee, where I previously served as treasurer. Joel has made many positive contributions to the committee over the years. Joel is someone who strives to research issues and actually read the legislation that's being discussed in Helena so he can

Dear Editor:

My friend, Janet Christoffersen, has offered herself to be your next County Attorney. The citizens of Richland County would be incredibly fortunate to have Janet in this position.

I came to know Janet through the yearly convention of the Montana Association of County Attorneys when I was a Deputy Prosecutor in Gallatin County. This event brought

Dear Editor:

For the first time in several years, Richland County will experience a contested primary election for County Attorney. One of those candidates is Janet Christoffersen and we heartily endorse her for that position.

Janet is particularly well qualified to serve as our County Attorney. She has a broad spectrum of experience, from private practice to her more than 10 years' experience as a deputy in the County Attorney's office. As attorneys who have dealt with Janet, we know she is knowledgeable about the law, is diligent in her work habits and, more importantly, she has the ability to deal with, and foster good relationships with, attorneys, judges, law enforcement officers, and the public, an essential attribute for any County Attorney.

She uniquely understands the responsibility she will undertake as our County Attorney. She realizes the necessity of following the rule of law and the importance of the trust she must engender to the people she serves.

Please consider Janet Christoffersen when you vote. If elected, we believe she will conscientiously perform her duties and will be an asset to Richland County.

Donald L. Netzer
Lyle R. Panasuk
Peter O. Maltese

Having experience in criminal cases is only one part of being a County Attorney. Giving timely legal advice to law enforcement along with assisting them in applying for search warrants is also an important role. Providing legal advice to the commissioners and other county offices as needed and being available for them are other responsibilities that the County Attorney has. I have confidence in Ms. Christoffersen because she has the experience and knowledge to handle all areas of the job. Janet is always willing to listen to your side of the story and when she feels strongly about an issue she will stand her ground. Most impressive to me is the fact that it is very important to her to do things right while striving to do the right thing.

For an Experienced, Fair and Sensible Richland County Attorney, I encourage you to consider Janet Christoffersen when you go to the polls on June 5, I know I will.

Brad Baisch

stay properly informed, which is what we should want in our representative. I know that he will always have an open line of communication to the constituents back home, not just the select few that share the exact same view on a bill or the ones that donated to his campaign.

There have been recent letters to editor questioning Joel's conviction and core values as a Republican. I am writing today as a small business owner, rancher, property owner and lifelong resident of Richland County that has personally vetted Joel on his political views and values and I have a strong belief that he will serve our community well on the actual issues our community struggles with in Helena; not just the conservative talking points.

If given the chance as our Representative, Joel Krautter will become a true statesmen; something our area desperately needs in Helena.

Ben Johnson

year; as a criminal defense attorney with Netzer Law Office. Janet possesses each of the qualities I mentioned above. She is an incredibly worthy adversary, but she has never let a disagreement get personal. She knows when to get tough and when to show compassion. Perhaps most importantly, Janet is an Eastern Montana farm girl who cares deeply about her home.

Janet is someone you can trust to keep your community safe, and she's the person I would want prosecuting my case if I were accused of a crime. There is no greater compliment I could pay any prosecutor, and I hope you will give Janet your vote.

Russ Hart

most of the prosecutors from around the state together each year, and I can tell you that Janet is held in very high esteem by her professional peers around the state.

An exceptional prosecutor possesses qualities that are rarely found within the same person: toughness and compassion, and the ability to view your cases objectively, but also to be a zealous advocate for the rights of victims. Your County Attorney must also be someone who respects the citizens of Richland County, its courts, and the attorneys who practice before those courts.

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