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Sidney Chamber Ag **Appreciation** Golf **Tournament** July 13

By Dianne Swanson

Ranchers, farmers, businesses! Team up to enjoy a great day of fun, food and prizes at the 16th annual Ag Appreciation Golf tournament July 13 at the Sidney Country Club.

Farmers and ranchers golf for free in appreciation of their valuable contribution to this area and the world.

Businesses are encouraged to take this opportunity to sponsor the event at one of two different levels: \$50 golf cart sponsorship or \$200 team sponsorship. The \$50 sponsorship includes signage to promote business. The \$200 sponsorship allows two people from the business to be a part of a team, partnered with ranchers and farmers. Prize sponsorships are also welcome.

To sign up to play, call the Sidney Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture at 406-433-1916. To be a sponsor, please contact the Chamber. See you July 13th!

Enjoy The McKenzie County Fair

By Meagan Dotson

The McKenzie County Fair will be "Summer Time Fun for Everyone" Thursday, July 9th through Saturday, July 11th in Watford City, ND. There will be a carnival, Curly's Funtastic Kid Zone, animal specialties, a strolling magician, the National Wild Turkey Federation Shooting Booth, and spray paint artist Matt Sorenson all three days as well as exhibits and showings.

Thursday at 4:00 pm there will be a Fair Parade on Main Street and a free Beef Barbeque at 5:30 pm at the Multi-Purpose Building. At 7:00 pm the Olaf Leiseth Jr. Memorial Draft Horse Competition will kick off in the Rodeo Arena, with registration beginning at 6:00 pm. Friday there will be a demolition Derby in the Rodeo Arena at 6:00 pm; registration begins at 2:00 pm at the North Entrance and closes at 5:15 pm. The Marshall Catch Band, an indie-rock band from Kalispell, MT, will be playing at 9:00 pm both Friday and Saturday nights. Saturday the Youth Rodeo will be in the Multi-Purpose Building at 9:00 am, there will be a cake social at 2:00 pm, Lil' Buckaroo Rodeo in the Livestock Show Arena at 3:00 pm, and McKenzie County Caviar will be there at 4:30 pm. The NDRA Rodeo slack will be at 1:00 pm and the NDRA Rodeo at 6:00 pm.

Open Class and 4-H exhibits will close at 9:00 pm Thursday and Friday and 5:00 pm on Saturday; commercial exhibits will close at 9:00 pm on Thursday and Friday and at 7:00 pm on Saturday.

General admission buttons which are good for all three days of the fair are \$5.00 and the cost of admission for the Demolition Derby and NDRA Rodeo are \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for ages six to thirteen, and free under six, per event. For Youth Rodeo entries, contact Eva Harper at 701-675-2016/701-898-9801 or enter online, hepper@ruggedwest.com.

For more information, contact Carolyn Levang at 701-675-2306/701-770-6938 or via email at levang4@ruggedwest.com.

Art Classes at Sunrise Festival of the Arts July 11

By Kim Simmonds

Exuctive Director MonDak Heritage Center

New this year to the Sunrise Festival of the Arts on July 11, 2015: Art classes!

Artist Peggy Kopp will be teaching Zentangle at 9:30am. Artist Jenny Baker will be teaching a watercolor class at 11:00am. The classes will take place in the covered shelter near the train in Veteran's Memorial Park and cost \$20 per person. Each class will last one hour, all supplies are included, and each registrant will take home a finished work of art.

Space is limited, so please call the Sidney Chamber of Com-

merce and Agriculture at 406-433-1916 to reserve your spot. For more info, visit http://www.sidneymt.com/ or call 406-



Little Buckaroos Needed to Enter Lil' Buckaroo Rodeo

By Marcia Hellandsaas **NDSU Extension Agent McKenzie County**

Attention Little Buckaroos-ages three to five years old you are needed in the Lil' Buckaroo Rodeo! This year's event will start at 3 pm on Saturday, July 11 in the Livestock Show Ring on the McKenzie County Fairgrounds.

This rodeo will feature:

- Stick Horse Barrel Racing Child rides his/her stick horse in a cloverleaf pattern around barrels.
 - Steer Roping Child learns to rope a dummy steer.
- · Goat Tail Untying -Child will remove a sucker tied to the

The Little Buckaroos are invited to dress western and bring their stick horses. Prizes will be awarded to all participants. This event is sponsored by the McKenzie County Fair Board.

For more information, or to pre-register your Buckaroo (encouraged) please contact the McKenzie County Extension Office at 701-444-3451 or email marcia.hellandsaas@ndsu.edu.

Volunteers Needed Show For Richland County RSVP

By Jessica Davies, Program Director

The Richland County Health Department Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is looking for volunteers of various ages to assist with the Richland County Community Health Assessment. The community health assessment is a short survey taken every three years to identify the public health needs of our community. Volunteers are need to conduct these short surveys during the early evening hours of July 29th & 30th. Volunteers will be trained and provided the necessary tools before going out in the community. All volunteers will be given an identifier shirt to wear while conducting the surveys, survey supplies and lunch will be provided.

Volunteers are asked to contact the Richland County Health

Department RSVP office at 406-433-2207 to sign-up. The Retired Senior Volunteer Program is a public service organization. The RSVP program is a volunteer organization that addresses the needs of the community by utilizing all age volunteers with a focus on senior volunteers.

Area Field Days to be Held

The Williston Research Center Field Days will be held Thurday, July 9th and Friday, July 10th.

The MSU - EARC/Extension's 35th Annual Field Day will take place July 14th in Sidney.

Enter McKenzie **County Fair Open Class**

By Marcia Hellandsaas

NDSU Extension Agent McKenzie County

Entry of Open Class exhibits in the McKenzie County Fair is from 1pm to 3 pm and from 6 pm to 8 pm on Wednesday, July 8 and from 8 am to 11:30 am on Thursday, July 9 in the Homemaker Building on the McKenzie County Fairgrounds, east of Watford City. Judging takes place from 1 pm to 4 pm on Thursday, July 9. Exhibit books are available at several businesses in Watford City.

Top exhibit in each class can receive \$10 and monetary awards will be assigned to all exhibits receiving ribbons as follows: Grand - \$5, Purple Ribbon - \$4, Blue Ribbons - \$3, Red Ribbon - \$2 and White Ribbon - \$1.

Open Class also features a "For Show Only" area for those who wish to not have their exhibits judged. Please feel free to

also share your talents in this way. Special awards will again be available to award to youth

and adults who excel in the art of canning. Please see the Open Class exhibit book for details.

Every reasonable precaution will be taken to safeguard entries. Exhibits will not be left unattended during public viewing. The Fair Board and/or Extension Service will not be responsible for injuries, damage or loss to exhibits.

For more information, please contact the McKenzie County Extension Office at 701- 444-3451 or e-mail Extension Agent Marcia Hellandsaas at marcia.hellandsaas@ndsu.edu.

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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 Glory of the Lord Family Ministries, 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 ride. **TUESDAYS:**

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

WEDNESDAYS:

5:00 p.m. – Sober Life Young People's NAAA 12- step recovery group, 25 yr. old & younger, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave, Sidney.

8 p.m. – Al-Anon, Sanford Room, McKenzie Co. Public Library, Watford City.

THURSDAYS:

7 p.m. - NA meeting, MonDak Trucking office Bldg.,

725 W. Holly, Sidney.

8 p.m.— AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions

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

7 p.m. – Fairview Alive and Kicking at Faith Alliance Church, 704 S. Western Ave.

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

SATURDAYS:

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

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

SUNDAYS:

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

LAKE WATER LEVEL REPORT Sakakawea Current Elevation......1844.8

Last Week's Elev.1844.2 One Year Ago Release For Day (C.F.S.)20,800 **SIDNEY WEATHER DATA** High Low

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center Date June 29

Total YTD Precipitation......7.18

OBITUARIES

Delores Marie Holznagel, 74, Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Delores Holznagel, age 74 of Sidney, MT, were held at 11 ams on Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at the Fulkerson-Stevenson Chapel in Sidney, MT. Burial was in the Trenton Cemetery at 1:30 (CDT). Remembrances and condolences may be shared at www.fulkersons.com.

Delores died Tuesday, June 30th, 2015 at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care Facility.

Barbara "Babe" DeShaw Walla, Plenywood, MT (formerly of Sidney, MT)

Mass of the Christian Burial for Barbara "Babe" DeShaw Walla of Plentywood, MT (formerly of Sidney, MT) was at 10 am, Friday, July 3, 2015, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney with Father Jim O'Neil as presider. Wake services were at 6 pm, Thursday, July 2, 2015, at the Fulkerson-Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Interment was at the Richland Memorial Park Cemetery in Sidney, MT under the direction of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Sidney. Remembrances, condolences and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Barbara "Babe" died on Wednesday evening, June 24, 2015, at the LaCasa Personal Care Center in Plentywood, MT.

Benjamin "Ben" Balducke, 72, Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Benjamin "Ben" Balducke, 72, of Sidney were at 11 am, Monday, July 6, 2015, at the Richland County Event Center in Sidney, MT. Interment was at the family plot at Richland Memorial Park Cemetery, Sidney, MT under the direction of Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home of Miles City and the Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home of Sidney. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

Benjamin "Ben" Antonio Balducke, age 72 of Sidney, MT, passed away on June 27, 2015 at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings, MT.

Helen M. Miller, 89 Richey, MT

Funeral services for Helen M. Miller, 89, of Richey, MT is at 2 p.m., Saturday, July 11, 2015 at the American Lutheran Church with Pastor Wade Brinkoft officiating. Interment will be in the Richey Cemetery following the services. Visition will be from 12 noon until 5 p.m. on Friday, July 10, at the Fulkerson-Stevenson Chapel in Sidney, MT from 12 noon until 2 p.m. at the American Lutheran Church in Richey. Remembrances, pictures and condolences may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Helen, longtime resident of Richey, MT passed away on July 6, 2015 at the Sidney Health Care Center due to congestive heart failure

A Steak In Ag

By R-CALF USA

R-CALF USA may be defined as a non-profit producer organization, but our work benefits anyone who eats meat and lives in an economy that includes agriculture. We're more than a producer organization; we're your organization!

Recently, the United States Trade Representative (USTR) formally triggered an arbitration process with Canada regarding COOL at the World Trade Organization (WTO). The purpose of the arbitration process is to determine the level of damages, if any, that Canada incurred as a result of the United States' mandatory COOL law. Canada must now prove that it actually incurred monetary damages before the WTO would consider granting it the right to impose retaliatory tariffs against the United States as compensation for any such damages. R-CALF USA applauds this decision by the USTR.

R-CALF USA is disappointed but not surprised with the House's COOL repeal.

The vote to repeal COOL by the U.S. House was conducted under a special resolution passed by the GOP that limited the entire congressional debate to only one-hour and prohibited lawmakers from making any amendments to the measure.

The House has unequivocally undercut the United States' ability, through our USTR, to negotiate a satisfactory resolution to the ongoing WTO's attack on our COOL law.

Instead, it has sent a resounding message to foreign countries the world over that all they have to do to overturn U.S. laws is file a complaint at the WTO as this will cause the U.S. House to unilaterally cede its sovereignty by folding like a house of cards.

R-CALF USA rejects Senate's proposal to convert mandatory COOL to a voluntary program, and believes the recent Senate hearing was pathetically biased with five of the selected witnesses in favor of immediately repealing of COOL. Only one witness appeared to favor COOL but he continually called for changing "mandatory" COOL to "voluntary" COOL so, he said, everyone can walk away a winner.

The reason voluntary COOL doesn't work is because meatpackers and retailers don't want it and without a mandatory program, our cow/calf members who sell feeder calves have no way to cause either packers or retailers to label the beef produced from their calves with a USA label after their calves have been sold into the multi-segmented beef supply chain.

It is clear to us that shifting the debate to a choice of only voluntary COOL and repeal of COOL is nothing more than a smokescreen to ensure that COOL is repealed.

After fighting for over 15 years to first win and then defend our mandatory COOL law, our members are not about to throw in the towel while our USTR is still fighting to defend our sovereign right to maintain mandatory COOL in the current arbitration proceeding at the WTO.

Mark your calendars for this year's annual convention: Aug. 14-15, 2015 in Denver, Colo.

R-CALF USA is funded solely by donations and membership dues. Please consider becoming a member or giving a donation. For more info or to join, go to www.r-calfusa.com, 406-252-2516.

Volunteers Needed For Sunrise Festival Of The Arts

The Sunrise Festival of the Arts is looking for help on Saturday, July 11. Various duties include concessions, registration table and clean up. If you have some time to share at this fun event, please call the Sidney Chamber of Commerce at 406-433-1916. **MNAXLP**

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone.

Wed., July 8th

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Montana Shakespeare in the Parks presents The Taming of the Shrew in Sidney! Join us for our 43rd year of bringing FREE live, professional theater to over 60 communities in the Northern Rockies region. Fri., July 10th

11:00 am - 2:00 pm - Kiwanis Annual Pie Social will be held at the Richland County Courthouse lawn. The menu will include brats, hot dogs, beans, chips and pie a la mode. All proceeds are used for Kiwanis youth projects and scholarships.

7:15 pm – Author's showcase featuring Mary Jane Bradbury, "Well Behaved Women Rarely Make History." Books sales & signing at the MonDak Heritage Center. Sat., July 11th

9:00 am - 4:00 pm - Sunrise Festival of the Arts will be held at Veteran's Memorial Park. This year featuring Treehouse Pottery, Anna Hoffman. There will be festival prize drawings through button purchases. Buttons are \$4 in advance or \$5 at Festival. Preregistration will be required for Zentangle class and Watercolor class. For more information visit our website at www.sidneymt.com

or add us on Facebook! Mon., July 13th

9:00 am - 4:00 pm - Ag Appreciation Golf Tournament by Sidney Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture. This day of relaxation at our one day tournament is a great opportunity to network and meet your neighbors. Teams are sponsored by businesses and producers then play with the sponsoring business. To find out how to sponsor, please contact the Chamber at 406-433-1916. Please note you must be at least 21 years of age and involved in agriculture in order to play in the tournament. There is no cost to the producers to play.

Fri., July 24th

11:30 pm - The Richland Red Hatters will meet July 24th for lunch at 11:30 am at the Fringe restaurant at the Country Club. RSVP by July 22nd to Sylvia at 798-3882 or Margaret at 488-4613.

July 29th & 30th (evenings)

Richland County Health Assessment - Volunteers will be wlking door to door with a short survey. They will be wearing a bright green t-shirt. You may be asked to participate, if so please be courteous. Thank you for your time. If you have any questions please contact the Richland County Health Dept. at 433-2207.

McKenzie County

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

The McKenzie County Food Pantry is open:

1st Tuesday of each month from 5 pm- 7 pm; 3rd Tuesday of each month from 2 pm - 4 pm at First Lutheran Church. Every Thursday from 12 pm - 2 pm there is food distribution at First Presbyterian Church.

McKenzie County Fair

Sat., July 9-11th

Hope to see you at the McKenzie County Fair! "Summer Time Fun For Everyone!" in Watford City. Entertainment highlights include: free beef barbeque, draft horse competition, and demolition derby on Thursday, NDRA Rodeo and Youth & Lil' Buckaroo Rodeos on Friday.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone.

Thurs., July 9th 7:00 pm – Summer Nights On Main presents Tripwire.

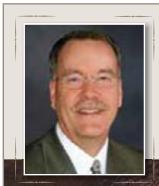
Sponsored by Williston Downtowners Association. Sat., July 11th 2:00 pm - History Alive presents "Frontier Women" by Mary

Jane Bradbury at the Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. Thurs., July 16th 7:00 pm - History Book Club book of the month "12 Quiet

Men" by Micheal Edward Little at the Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. 6th Infantry Encampment at Fort Buford. The telegraphy will

be demonstrated as well as the daily life of a Fort Buford soldier. At the Fort Buford Historic Site. MNAXI P

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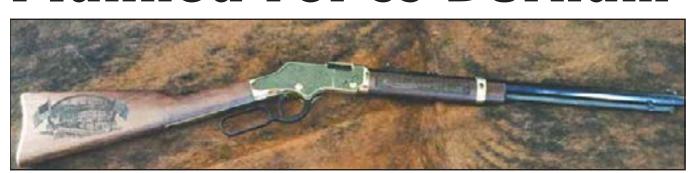
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Froid School - 7/29 9-12 p.m. Bainville School - 8/3 9-4 p.m. (lunch-hour 12-1 p.m.)

Brings glasses & contacts for vision screening

Parental signature required on forms

Submitted by Crystal Rasmussen

Charitable giving, community fellowship and awesomeness collide into one event Saturday, July 25 at the Ranger Lounge and Casino in Sidney.

A medical benefit and unofficial Chive Nation meetup has been organized to support Jeffery James (JJ) Durham. JJ has been diagnosed with Berger's Disease and is currently on the waiting list for a kidney transplant.

The committee couldn't be happier with the support the businesses and community members have offered in conjunction with the benefit. Auctioneer Dan Goss says, "It's always a great feeling to know that we live in a community that never hesitates to lend a hand to help others in their time of need. Time and again the people and businesses of the area have stepped up to help others and never ask anything in return. We live in a great community."

Chairman Scott Sult agrees, "It always amazes me that such a small community can come together and be so generous when someone is in need. The last few years our community has endured more than our fair share of hardships, but yet we continue to grow stronger and become more united. In my mind there is no better place in the world to be from than here."

The benefit kicks off at 5 p.m. when the doors open where the public can view and bid on items in the silent

auction. A free will donation roast beef dinner catered and donated by the Ranger will start at 6 p.m. with a live auction taking center stage at 7:30 p.m. A DJ will close out the night with music. To round out the evening and preserve memories, Jennifer See of Life as I See It Photography will be taking pictures.

Organizers state just a few of the auction items that will be available include a Henry Big Boy .357, Kimber Raptor II .45, Mathews Z2 Bow, Kimber 22-250 rifle, Power Wheels Mustang, Camille Clausen Photography Session with print credit,

variety of baskets and other items.

As part of the benefit, raffle tickets for a Limited Edition (#14 of 25) Richland County Centennial Henry Golden
Boy 22 are also available

artwork, gift certificates and a

(#14 of 25) Richland County Centennial Henry Golden Boy 22 are also available to purchase at The Ranger Lounge, High Caliber Sports, Temple Tattoo and Doug's Barber Shop. The drawing for the rifle will be held following the live auction.

Sult invites the community to the benefit, "We hope to



Jeffery James (JJ) Durham

see everyone on the night of the 25th to help out our good friend. We will have a little something for everyone in the family so please come on out, have some fun and help support a good cause."

For more information or to donate items contact Scott Sult at 406-489-1890 or Tim Castro at 406-480-5054. Cash donations may also be sent to the Richland Federal Credit Union in Sidney, MT under the Jeffery James Durham Benefit Account.



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Two Montana Teachers Chosen As National Winners For Presidential Science And Math Teaching Award

Submitted by Sanna Porte

MEA-MFT Communications Director

Two Montana school teachers have been selected as national award winners for the prestigious Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) the nation's highest honor for U.S. mathematics and science teachers in grades 7 through 12.

A committee of Montana science and math teachers selected four teachers from a pool of 10 applicants statewide. From these four finalists, a national panel of distinguished scientists, mathematicians, and educators selected two to be national award winners.

The most recent national award winners from Montana are:

- Dan Bartsch, Billings Senior High School
- · David McDonald, Sidney High School

PAEMST finalists are true leaders in education, using highly innovative approaches and technology in their classroom teaching. Nominees for the award must complete a rigorous

application process that incorporates video footage of classroom lessons along with substantial written documentation of impacts on student achievement.

Each year, the national panel selects up to 108 teachers to receive Presidential Awards, including teachers from each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, U.S. territories, and the schools operated in the United States and overseas by the Department of Defense Education Agency.

Teachers who are selected as Presidential Awardees receive a \$10,000 award, a Presidential citation, and a trip to Washington, D.C. for a series of recognition events, information exchange programs, and an awards ceremony.

Nationally, the awards program is administered by the National Science Foundation (NSF) on behalf of the White House.

In Montana, the state recognition program is sponsored and administered by the Montana Professional Teaching Foundation in association with the Montana Association of Presidential

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"Well-Behaved Women Rarely Make History" Presentation Plus Author Showcase Friday, July 10, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

By Kim Simmonds

Executive Director MonDak Heritage Center

FREE and open to the public, Friday, July 10 at the MonDak Heritage Center in Sidney, MT: "Well-Behaved Women Rarely Make History." Mary Jane Bradbury will take on the personae of well-known women authors from Montana and around the country. Presentation begins at 7:15pm.

Before and after Mary Jane's presentation, the Author's Showcase will take place. Authors from around the country will be on hand to talk about their books, their craft and to sell and sign copies of their work. Doors open at 6:30pm. The authors will be in Sidney for the annual Sunrise Festival of the Arts taking

place Saturday. Before the crowds and heat of Saturday at the park, come to the MonDak Heritage Center on Friday, enjoy our cool building, the conversation of authors and an exciting presentation by Mary Jane Bradbury!

Thank you to our sponsor, Sidney TBID! Event also made possible by the members of the MonDak Heritage Center and the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

Confirmed authors include Dr. Jimmie Ashcraft, Craig Lancaster, Elisa Lorello, Del Lonquist, Paula Winskye and Rev Nicholas.

For further information please contact Kim at the MonDak Heritage Center, mdhc@richland.org or 406-433-3500



State Reports First Case Of West Nile Virus **Agency Offers Prevention Tips**

Submitted by Julie Brodhead, RN Communicable Diseases Emergency Preparedness RCHD

State and local health officials are encouraging Montanans take steps to avoid mosquito bites and prevent infection with West Nile virus (WNV). The state's first human case has been reported in Rosebud County and reflects an early start to the season. The adult case was hospitalized and is now recovering.

To prevent infection, advice includes wearing insect repellent when outdoors, removing standing water from around the home and wearing pants and long-sleeved shirts when possible. It also serves as a reminder that horse owners should get their animals vaccinated and revaccinate annually.

Summer is a prime time for exposure to mosquitos in Montana. Removing mosquito breeding areas and preventing mosquito bites are two ways to prevent being infected with

West Nile virus.

"The best way to prevent West Nile virus is to take personal precautions to avoid mosquito bites," said DPHHS Director Richard Opper. "We encourage everyone to protect themselves while enjoying the outdoors this summer."

Public health officials offer the following advice to avoid being bitten and encourage all Montanans to remember the 4 D's of West Nile virus prevention to reduce their chances of becoming ill.

Dusk / Dawn - Mosquitoes carrying West Nile virus usually bite at dusk and dawn. Limit outdoor activity during those times and if you must be outside protect yourself from bites.

Dress - Wear longsleeved shirts and pants to reduce the amount of exposed

DEET - Cover exposed skin with a repellant containing the chemical DEET, which is most effective against mosquito bites.

Drain - Empty any containers holding standing water because they can be excellent breeding grounds for

virus-carrying mosquitoes. West Nile virus is transmitted to humans by infected mosquitos through bites. Three to 14 days after being bitten by a mosquito that carries West Nile virus, about 1 in 5 of those infected will develop a low grade fever, headache and muscle aches lasting for three to six days. Generally, no treatment is needed. However, in less than 1percent of infected people, serious, lifethreatening symptoms develop including headache, rash, high fever, stiff neck, mental confusion, muscle weakness. tremors, convulsions, coma and paralysis. Individuals who develop any of these symptoms should see their health-care provider immediately. Luckily, most infected people don't develop symptoms and never knew that they were bitten by an infected mosquito.

The number of West Nile virus human cases in Montana has been highly variable from year to year since it came to Montana in 2002. Over 200 cases were reported in 2003 and 2007 and none in 2010. In 2014, 5 cases were reported. "Scientists have not been able to predict the number of West Nile virus cases, so it is important to protect yourself from mosquito bites and eliminate breeding sites around your home," said Christine Mulgrew, DPHHS WNV Program Manager. With over 90 percent of cases occurring

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in August and September, it is time to start actively preventing mosquito bites, she said

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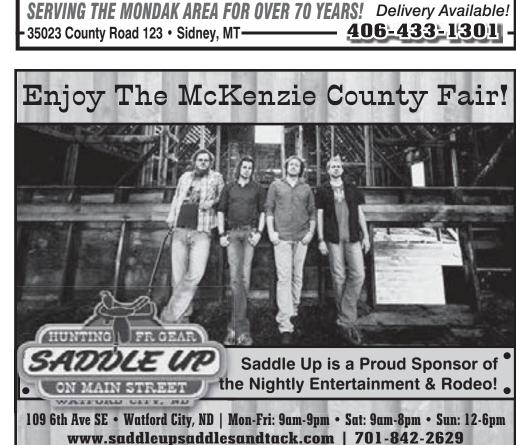
By Danielle Steinhoff, Agriculture and Natural Resources **Agent Williams County**

Sclerotinia Risk

Once Canola is in bloom, it becomes susceptible to diseases. One disease that is one to watch out for is Sclerotinia, which is caused by Sclerotinia ascospores which can be found on the canola petals. Once this disease is found on the petals, it will quickly spread to the healthy green tissue and eventually will cause large yield-robbing lesions on the stems and branches. But this disease only occurs when conditions are favorable, which is adequate rainfall before flowering and cool to moderate temperatures with long wet periods during flowering. The past week has been warmer, but with the rain and temps in the 70s a few weeks ago, this disease could still show up. One way to monitor the spread of this disease is by using the Sclerotinia risk map and calculator www.ag.ndsu.edu/sclerotinia. This calculator uses the data that is collected from the NDAWN stations. North Dakota Agriculture Weather Network, other information from farmers can be added to this site to make it more accurate. If you know your fields received more rain than the closest NDAWN station, that field might be at higher risk. Most of Williams County shows to be in the high estimated risk area. This information was from the NDSU Crop and Pest Report, June 25th 2015.

Water For Livestock

Many people depend on surface water for their livestock during the summer pasture months. Using water from lakes, rivers, ponds, sloughs and dougouts normally has no consequences, but sometimes under specific environmental conditions there can be concerns. Problems seems to arise when there may be many naturally occurring harmless algae species but there are other that produce toxins which affect the nervous system or liver. Blue green algae is not the algae you see in stringy mats along the shore, the algae forms as large colonies of fine green particles which suspend near the surface. The particle appear blue as they die and dry on the surface. A veterinarian should necropsy dead animals to rule out causes of death, but they can't likely find conclusive evidence that would lead to algae poisoning. When livestock are poisoned they may show signs when it is nervous system toxins such as; muscle tremors, decreased movement and difficult breathing. They often collapse and experience sudden death within a short distance of water. Animals affected by liver toxins become listless, weak, may have pale colored membranes, bloody diarrhea, or dark tar like stools, they may also sunburn on light pigmented area. Other dead animals, birds or small mammals, may indicate its presence. Hot dry calm sunny days stimulate the reproduction of blue green algae, which will further enhance the nutrient levels in the water. Algae poisoning is more likely in stagnant water following hot weather. This information was from John Dhuyvetter, Area Livestock Specialist.



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By ND Game & FIsh

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The tests are scheduled for 10 a.m. at the department's main office in Bismarck.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and have a bachelor's degree, have a valid driver's license and a current North Dakota peace officer license, or be eligible to be licensed. Candidates must have excellent interpersonal skills in communications and writing, and must not have a

record of any felony convic-

In addition, game warden pilot applicants must have a commercial pilot's license for a single engine land with an instrument rating, and hold an FAA Class II medical certificate. Candidates also must have a minimum of 500 hours total flying time and have a clean record without any felony convictions. Job duties include day and night flights, involving enforcement and administrative flight activities. Responsibilities also include enforcing game and fish laws and other related regulations.

District game wardens enforce game and fish laws and related regulations in an assigned district and other locations as determined by the department. Wardens normally work alone under varied conditions, at all hours of the day, night and weekends. In addition to law enforcement duties, wardens assist in the areas of public relations, education programs, and hunter and boat safety education.

Salary through training for a district game warden is \$3,600 per month, while the warden pilot position is \$3,800 per month. Upon successful completion of training, the monthly salary ranges are \$4,136 - \$6,894. Wardens also receive the state benefits package, including travel allowance. Uniforms and other equipment are provided.

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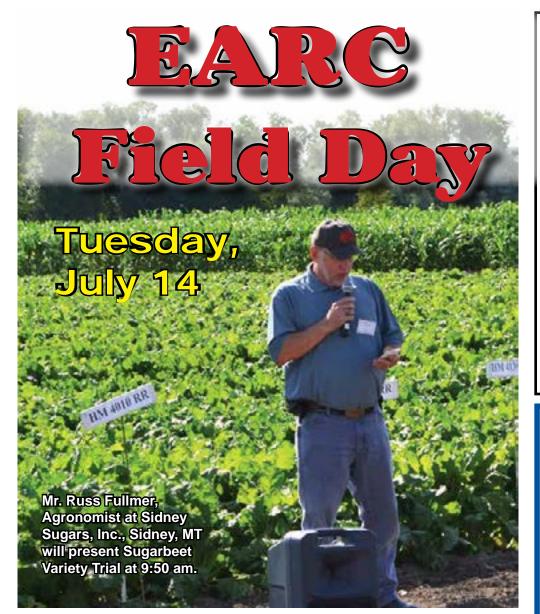


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MSU-EARC/ **Extension 35th Annual Field Day Speakers & Events**

The EARC/WREC advisory board meeting will start at 8 am. Refreshments and registration for pesticide application credits at 9 am till 9:30 am.

Dr. Chengci Chen, MSU/MAES EARC Superintendent, will then welcome all guests and start the tour at 9:30 am.

Mr. Russ Fullmer, Agronomist at Sidney Sugars, Inc., Sidney, MT will present Sugarbeet Variety Trial at 9:50 am.

Dr. Jerry Bergman, Director & Professor of Agronomy at NDSU-Williston Research Extension Center, Williston, ND will follow with Safflower at 10:10 am.

Dr. Prashant Jha, Assistant Professor, PhD at MSU-Southern Agricultural Research Center, Huntley, MT presents Herbicide Resistant Weed Management at 10:30 am.

Dr. Chengci Chen, Superintendent, EARC, Sidney MT and Ms. Sherry Turner, Research Associate at EARC, Sidney, MT present Pulse Crop Variety and Fungicide Trial at 10:50 am.

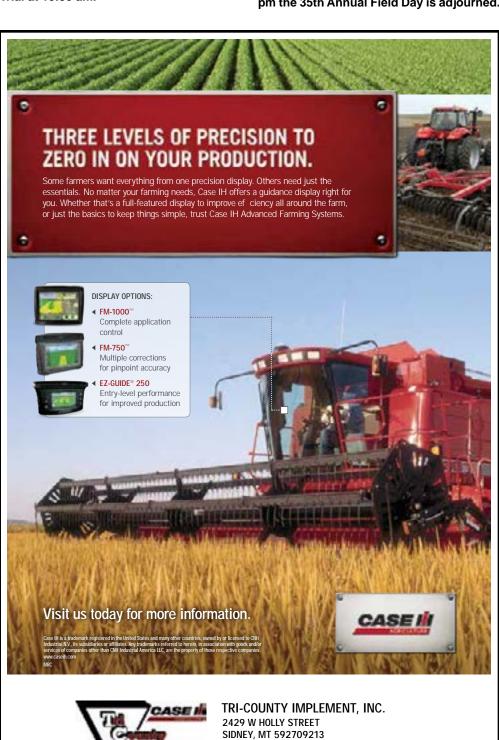
Dr. Luther Talbert, Spring Wheat Breeder at MSU Dept. of Plant Sciences and Plant Pathology, Bozeman, MT will follow with Spring Wheat Breeding at 11:20 am.

Dr. Jamie Sherman, Associate Research Professor at MSU Dept. of Plant Sciences and Plant Pathology, Bozeman, MT presents Barley Breeding at 11:40 am.

Dr. Ashok Alva, Soil Scientist at US-DA-ARS, Sidney, MT and Mr. Bill Iversen, Physical Scientist at USDA-ARS, Sidney, MT present Sensors for In-Time Soil Monitoring and Soil Electrical Conductivity at 12:00 pm.

The luncheon begins at 12:30 till 1:30 pm, sponsored by area businesses. During the luncheon there will be remarks from Dr. Barry Jacobsen, Research Centers Dept. Head/Associate Director MAES at MSU-Bozeman and Dr. Charles Boyer, V.P. of Ag-Dean & Director at MSU-Bozeman.

Mr. Tim Fine, Agricultural Agent at MSU Extension-Richland County, Sidney, MT presents Energy Efficiency at 1:30 pm. At 2 pm the 35th Annual Field Day is adjourned.



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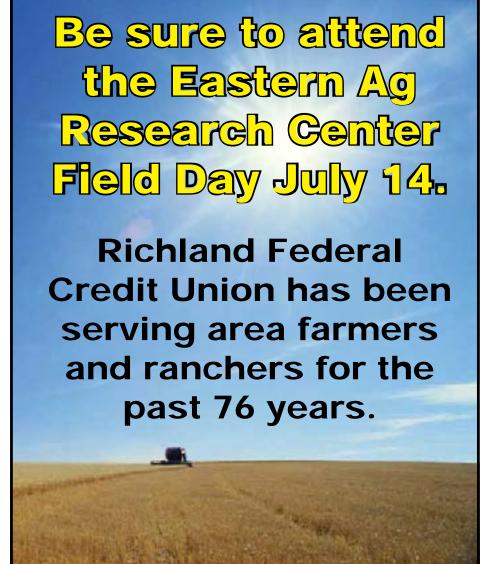
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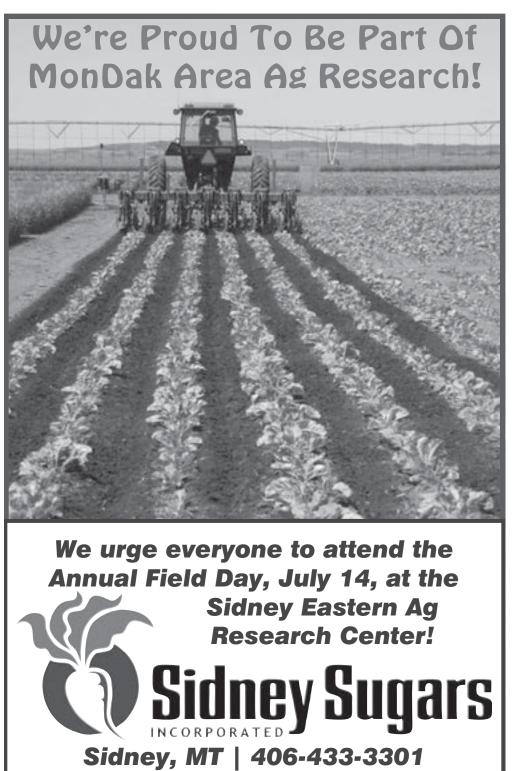


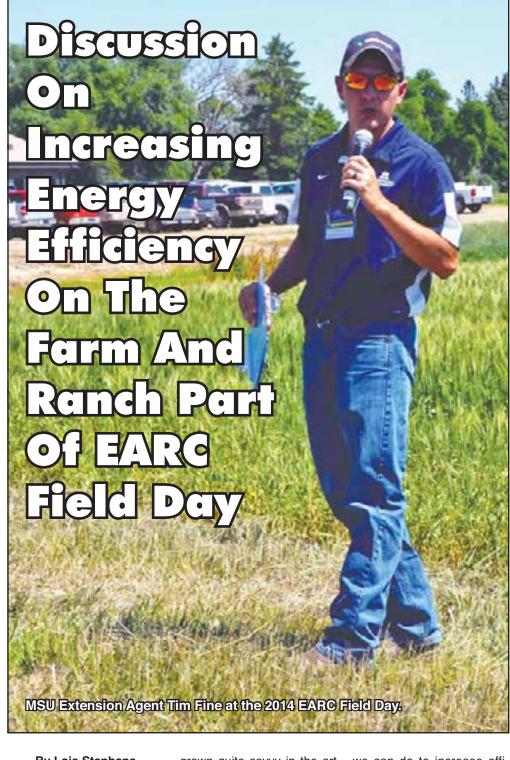
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By Lois Stephens

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Sometimes however farmers and ranchers do not realize how much energy a particular practice may be costing them, nor do they have the money to make necessary changes that would decrease energy usage. During this year's Eastern Agricultural Research Center (EARC) Field Day, scheduled for Tuesday July 14, Tim Fine, Richland County Extension agent, will discuss improving energy efficiency on farms and ranches. Fine's presentation will begin at 1:30 p.m.

"Ag producers are big energy consumers and anything

we can do to increase efficiency on the farm ultimately increases profits," Fine notes. "I recently took part in a training session to help producers identify areas within their operations where they can potentially increase energy efficiency." Fine's training acquainted

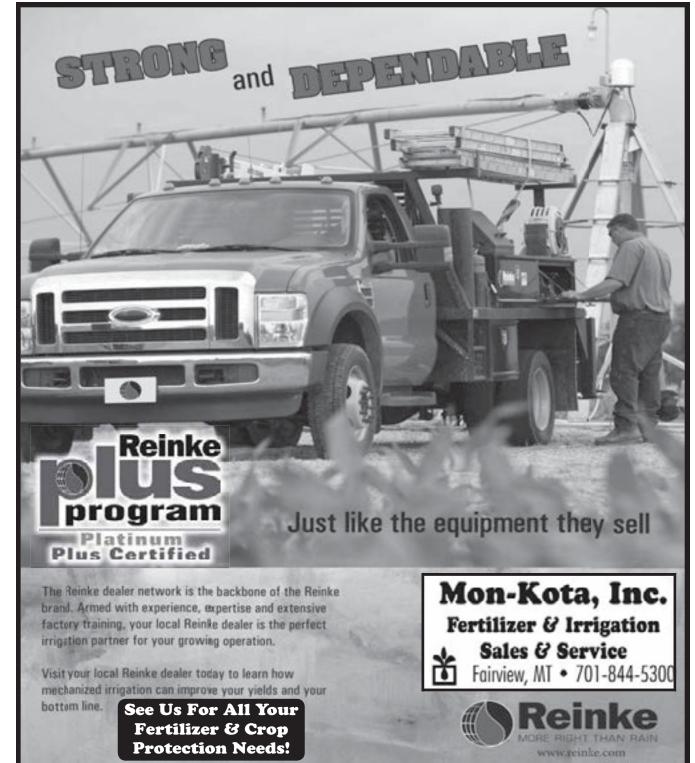
him with a program offered by the NRCS as part of the 2015 Farm Bill. Fine will explain this program and the required steps interested producers must complete if they wish to become part of this program. The program does not include renewable energy nor does it apply to residential dwellings.

The program has several steps which begin with an on-site energy audit, conducted by a technical services provider. This specialist provides an on-site evaluation, and using the results of the evaluation, develops an agricultural energy management plan. Producers who qualify for this program then initiate these recommendations that have proven energy reduction benefits.

Fine will conduct an assessment of the EARC shop to demonstrate the audit pro-

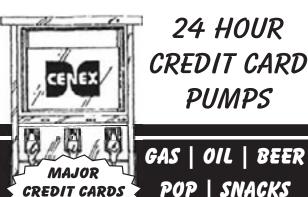
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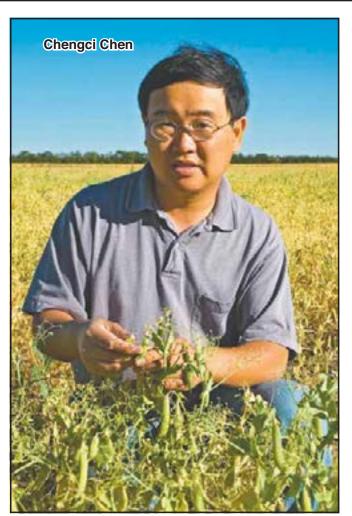
MSU/EARC 35th **Annual Field** Day Schedule Of Speakers Tuesday, July 14 From 10:50 AM to 11:10 AM

By Tie Shank

Please join Dr. Chengci Chen, Professor of Agronomy and new Superintendent of the Eastern Agricultural Research Center as he'll be presenting on pulse crop production in Montana, pulse crop variety evaluation for yield performance, and starch and protein

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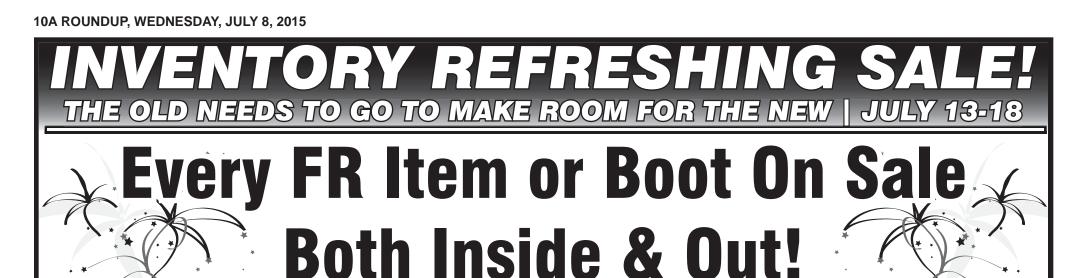


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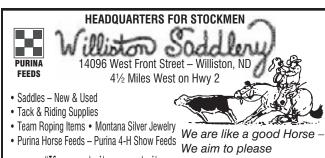
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Richland County RSVP Re-Activating **CERT, Needing Volunteers**

By Jessica Davies, **Program Director**

The Richland County Health Department Retired Senior Volunteer Program is re-activating the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) to serve our neighbors. We are calling on all past and interested CERT member volunteers to see who would like to actively participate. We are looking for members from all backgrounds and experience levels to assist in a multitude of capacities.

What is the CERT?

Organized under the Richland County Health Department RSVP program &

Citizen Corp program, the Richland County CERT is a volunteer program designed to help communities prepare for effective disaster response through training, planning and as a disaster response force multiplier.

We provide support to the City/County emergency responders, public health, and community organizations for local services such as; vaccination clinics, first aid booths, data collection, emergency response training/exercise event staff, Emergency Operations Center event staff, public education and outreach.

This program uses com-

munity volunteers to address community needs before, during and after any emergency. CERT member volunteers will be trained in both classroom and exercise formats. Once CERT members are trained, they will be able to assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available, and only after their services are requested by the RSVP-CERT Team Leader. CERT members will be equipped with training and tools before any deployment of services.

The CERT team is always looking for volunteers ready to lend a helping hand!

CERT trainings will be free for participants. Please contact the RCHD-RSVP office at 406-433-2207, to signup and for training times.

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program is a public service organization. The RSVP program is a volunteer organization that addresses the needs of the community by utilizing all age volunteers with a focus on senior volunteers.



MDT Schedules An Open House And Informational Meeting To **Discuss A Roundabout Project** South Of Sidney, MT – Richland Co.

Submitted by Lori Ryan, Public Information Officer

Sidney - The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is conducting an open house and informational meeting to discuss plans for installation of a roundabout south of Sidney in Richland County. The new roundabout will be located on MT 16 at its intersection with MT 200 and MT 23 at reference post 50.0. The open house will run from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. with a presentation beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at the Richland County Extension Office, 1499 N. Central Avenue in Sidney, MT. Project team members will be available during the open house and after the presentation to discuss the project.

Community participation is a very important part of the process, and the public is encouraged to attend. Opinion, comments and concerns may also be submitted in writing at the meeting, by mail to Shane Mintz, Glendive District Administrator, MDT, Glendive District office at PO Box 890, Glendive, MT 59330-0890, or online at www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/comment_form.shtml

Please note that your comments are for project UPN 8566000 and submit comments by August 6, 2015.

Proposed work includes reconstructing the intersection to include a concrete roundabout to improve safety and promote positive traffic flow, curb and gutter, storm drain, intersection lighting, plant mix surfacing and a seal & cover (chip seal) on each of the 4 legs approaching the roundabout, upgraded pavement markings and signage. The roundabout will be designed large enough to adequately accommodate trucks. The project limits will be established based on the geometry necessary for the development of the roadway transitions for each approach leg of the roundabout intersection.

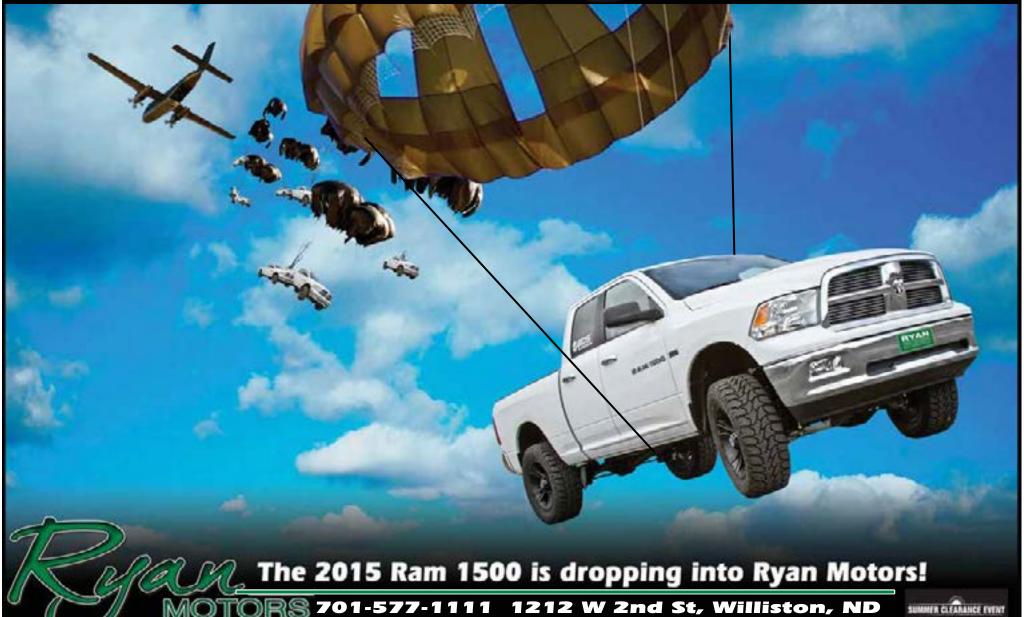
New right-of-way and relocation of utilities may be required. If new right-of-way is necessary, MDT staff will contact all affected landowners prior to doing survey work on their land to obtain written permission. Staff will again contact landowners prior to construction regarding property acquisition and temporary construction permits.

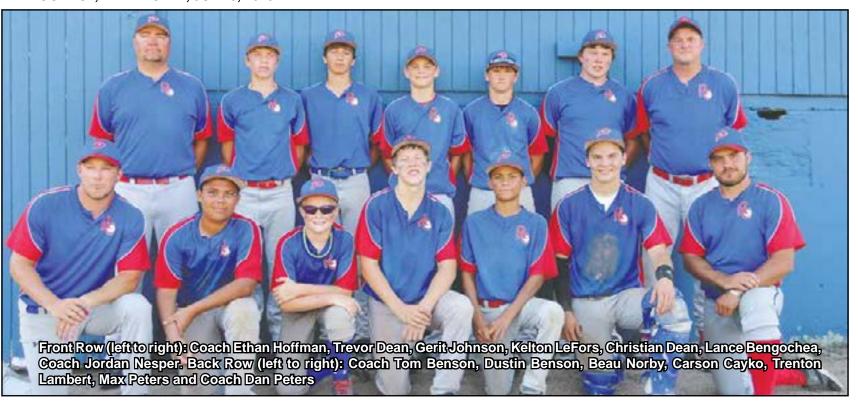
MDT attempts to provide accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with a person's participation in any service, program or activity of our department. If you require reasonable accommodations to participate in this meeting, please call Paul Grant at (406) 444-9415 at least two days before the meeting. For the hearing impaired, the TTY number is (406) 444-7696 or 1-800-335-7592, or call Montana Relay at 711. Alternative accessible formats of this information will be provided upon request.

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Results For Richland County Patriots From Glendive Babe Ruth League June 28

Submitted by Dan Peters

The Richland County Patriots opened the tournament with a 21-4 victory vs. Fisher Construction. The second game, Richland defeated Jock Stop 10-7 in extra innings (9) in a hard fought game. Richland lost in the undefeated semi-final to VFW 15-4. On Sunday in the severe heat (106 degrees on the field), the Pat's defeated Stockman Bank 3-0 (Dustin Benson pitching the complete game shut-out) and lost in the Championship game to VFW 14-5. The Babe Ruth Patriots had an excellent overall season, continually improving throughout the season, having fun and winning a lot of games.

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Game And Fish At State Fair

By The ND Game & Fish Dept

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department will host thousands of visitors to its Conservation and Outdoors Skills Park July 17-25 at the State Fair in Minot.

Visitors will be treated to an array of activities, exhibits and useful information as the park will be open from 1-7 p.m. daily. Pathways to Hunting, Fishing, Trapping and Archery are major attractions where each outdoor activity is taught to interested kids and adults. Of course, the opportunity to catch a fish brings excitement to the littlest angler.

Outreach biologist Greg Gullickson said the Conservation and Outdoors Skills Park is a really good stop for the entire family to learn about the outdoors, and to participate in activities that might just turn a youngster and others on to hunting and fishing in North Dakota.

"In addition to some great hands-on outdoor learning opportunities, we offer a live fish display, furbearer exhibit and native prairie plantings," Gullickson said, while also mentioning numerous shade trees and picnic tables provide visitors a chance to rest and enjoy the surroundings.

Two information centers staffed by Game and Fish Department personnel bookend the Conservation and Outdoors Skills Park, which is located on the north end of the grounds near the All Seasons Arena

"The park is a popular destination," Gullickson said. "Stop in and check it out. And the price is right ... admittance is free."





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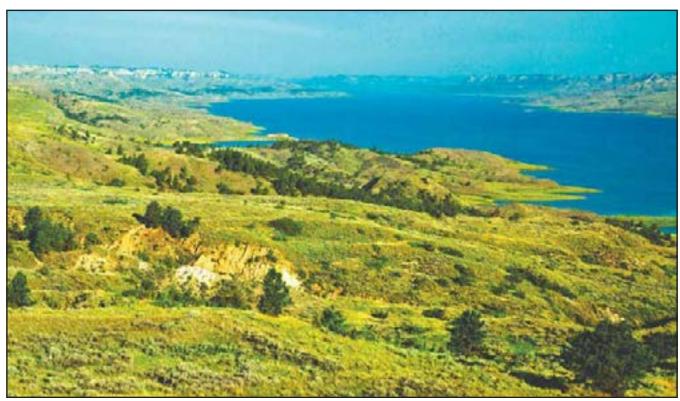
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The Charles M. Russell Wildlife

Refuge Offers Remote Beauty

Fort Peck Lake: A view of the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge from the south shore of Fort Peck Lake (Photo by the Rick and Susie Graetz)

By Rick and Susie Graetz, Department of Geography **University of Montana**

It is an uncommon landscape - at once stark, beautiful, imposing and inviting - this Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge. Time has left most of it with the same appearance as when the Crow, Blackfeet, Nez Perce and Sioux hunted and did battle here. And while some of the wildlife species have disappeared, notably bison and grizzly bears, others, including elk and bighorn sheep, thrive.

The CMR, as it is commonly called, occupies a large swath of Montana's northeast quadrant and is in the center of some of the least inhabited country in the United States. This 1.1 million-acre refuge straddles part of the free flowing Missouri River and takes in 250,000-acre Fort Peck Lake with its 1,600 miles of shoreline, the rugged Missouri Breaks and wild prairie grasslands. From the western boundary 10 miles upstream of the Fred Robinson Bridge near Grand Island, moving in a straight line, a plane or boat will cover 145 miles by the time it reaches the spillway of Fort Peck Dam and the eastern perimeter of the refuge.

The mix of landforms of the CMR is impressive. Tabletop uplands give way to rugged coulees, wide and precipitous

Be Prepared For Fire Danger

By Erin O'Connor, Office Manager

(Miles City) - With hot, dry weather about to bear down on Montana, campers, hikers and anglers need to be prepared to prevent wildfires statewide.

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks reminds everyone who plans to be outdoors to be cautious of fire danger on public and private lands.

"If you're planning to hike, camp, or fish use caution this summer," said Ron Aasheim, FWP's spokesman in Helena. "Above all be careful with fire and be prepared to prevent wildfires."

FWP offers these tips to help prevent wildfire:

- · Carry in vehicles a shovel, bucket, axe, and, if possible, a garden-type weed sprayer full of water.
- Restrict camping activities to designated camping areas and build campfires only in established, metal fire rings where permitted.
- · Drive only on established roads. Take care to ensure that exhaust and emission systems are in good repair.
 - · Don't stop or park vehicles over grass or brush.

canyons (some 1,000 feet deep) and spectacular badlands. This much-dissected expanse of ground has been carved by flows of water such as Seven Blackfeet Creek, Devils Creek, Snow Creek, Hell Creek and the Musselshell River. Hence the term river breaks.

Elevations and relief are low by Montana standards, but when looking up at some of the high points from the bottom of a gulch, the slopes appear as tough to climb as any mountain. The lowest elevation on the refuge, when Fort Peck Lake is at full pool, is 2,246 feet. One of the loftiest spots is 3,241 feet, in the area above Seven Blackfeet Creek.

Enormous expanses of mostly public land (more than 2 million acres) managed by the Bureau of Land Management surround the Charles M. Russell Refuge. Primitive roads cross this BLM land and lead to the CMR.

The best access to the western edge of the refuge is from Fred Robinson Bridge south of Zortman and Malta. The James Kipp Recreation Area allows for camping and a self-guided

wildlife/scenic road goes into the refuge north of the bridge. The most popular byways into the central and eastern units of the CMR include the Crooked Creek Road near Winnett and the route to Hell Creek out of Jordan. These roads are useable in all but the wettest circumstances (two or three days of rain). Travel is slow, and sixty miles might take more than two hours

of drive time. On the eastern margin of the CMR, off of Highway 24, several routes (dry weather roads) wind to the many recreation areas and boat launches on the Dry Arm. One of the more scenic is the McGuire Creek Road. The best access to the northeast part of the Charles M. Russell is out of Fort Peck, just south of Glasgow.

If you plan to hike in this wild country, realize there are few trails, no palatable drinking water and you will need to be aware of rattlesnakes and prickly pear cactus. The experience of seeing the CMR makes these somewhat rough conditions worthwhile. Camping is allowed anywhere on the CMR, but follow the regulations provided with the Refuge map.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service manages this place, Charlie Russell's namesake wildlife refuge, first and foremost for the benefit of wildlife, and it is in good hands. As a result, critters of all sizes thrive here.

You'll visit this grand landscape as a guest of the animals, so be respectful. In turn, you will see one of the crown jewels of the National Wildlife Refuge system and a unique piece of America.

Maps and more information for the refuge can be obtained by writing to: CMR, Box 110, Lewistown, MT 59475 or by calling 406-538-8706.

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Hundreds Celebrated The Grand Opening Of The Dakota Prairie Refining

By Tie Shank

DICKINSON, ND. June 29, 2015: Governor Jack Dalrymple joined hundreds of people today in celebrating the Grand Opening of Dakota Prairie Refining, the first greenfield fuels refinery to be built in the United States in nearly 40 years.

The Dakota Prairie refinery which began construction in March 2013 and operation on May 4, 2015, is currently operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The plant is located on a 318-acre site in Stark County, approximately 4 miles west of Dickinson, ND. The site was selected for its proximity to critical infrastructure such as water, sewer, natural gas, electricity, rail and

The refinery is a joint venture of WBI Energy, Inc. a part of the MDU Resources Group, Inc. and Calumet Specialty Products Partners, L.P.

The refinery is capable of processing 20,000 barrels of Bakken crude oil per day (delivered primarily by

pipeline), producing: • 1/3 high quality diesel fuel (about 7,000 barrels per day)

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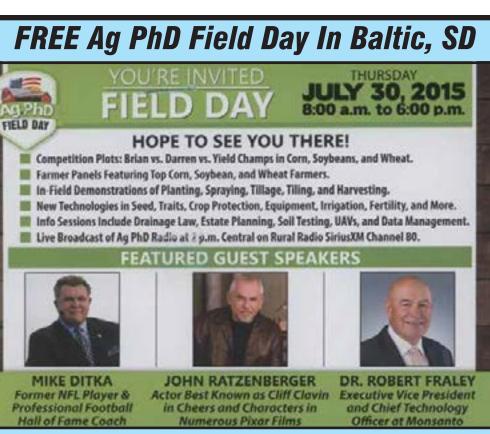
over time has the potential to be an important contributor to the economic growth of the local and state economy," Dave Goodin, MDU Resources president and CEO, said at the refinery's grand opening today. "All of this is possible because of the support of local and state officials and agencies, and the economic development climate they have created in North Dakota."

"The Dakota Prairie Refinery is another example of the great progress we're making in North Dakota to create good jobs, diversify our economy and to help meet the energy needs of our state and the nation," Dalrymple said. "The development of another fuel refinery in North Dakota has been a long-time goal, and I applaud MDU Resources and Calumet for this major achievement - the completion of the nation's first greenfield fuel

refinery in nearly 40 years."

North Dakota U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp said, "As North Dakota continues to be a national leader in energy development, we have to make sure we're not only meeting the energy needs of today but also investing in the future. MDU Resources and Calumet have clearly taken a forward-looking approach by committing to this significant Dakota Prairie refinery project, showing that our state's oil play in the Bakken is not just a short-term boom, but rather a valuable resource for North Dakota for decades to come. Building out our energy infrastructure is one of the most important ways we can help secure North American energy security and independence, and I'll keep working to make sure we invest in a true, allof-the-above energy strategy."

North Dakota U.S. Representative Kevin Cramer said, "The American 'can-do' attitude and willingness to risk capital for an opportunity to make money continues to make North Dakota a place where dreams can happen. Thank you once again, MDU and Calumet, for your willing ness to take a risk in North Dakota."



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