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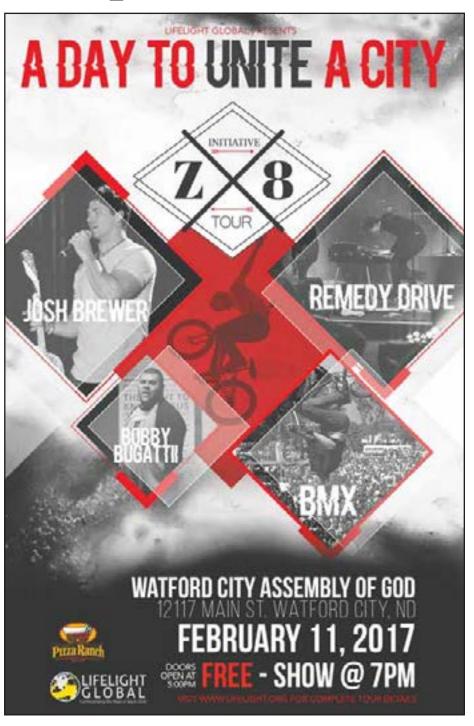
# 'Unite A City' Events in Watford City Feb. 10-11

By Meredith Brose

There will be two entertaining events for the whole community of Watford City and beyond. The first night is an all-night adventure that will take place on Friday, February 10th at the Rough Rider Center in Watford City from 10:00 p.m. until 6:15 a.m. It is designed for participants twelve years of age and older. Tickets are currently being sold for \$20 each before February 8th and those bought after that will be \$25. Call Kelby at (701) 339-5471 to make your reservations and the tickets will be distributed on the night of the event.

On this first night there will be a wide variety of activities including musical artists from Christian Pop to Hip Hop, add BMX teams and a professional skateboarder demonstrating jumps and flips that will make hearts race, listen to inspirational speakers, try swimming and ice skating, and play games such as basketball, volleyball, lazer tag, and dodgeball. Don't forget the pizza, and you have an all-night excursion that will "unite a city" according to Josh Brewer, the program director.

The second event will be held on Saturday, February 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the Watford City Assembly of God. It is a free concert with athletic performances. It will be a way to "reach into your heart and hit a reset button bringing people back to the Father to find true love and hope" said Kelby Timmons, host. Musical artists Cade Thompson, Soleil Bashale, Remedy Drive, and Bobby Bugattii will perform along with the BMX team, Dirt Bros. Aprofessional skateboarder will also perform with his risking-it-all ramps. The variety will have an appeal for everyone. "We're trying to change the world with top quality entertain-



# Progressive Agriculture Safety Day at Lambert School

By Wendy Becker-MSU Extension

According to the National Children's Center for Rural and Agriculture Health and Safety, about every 3 days a child dies in an ag-related accident. Every day 38 children are injured in an ag related accident, yet 80% of those injuries were not from working when the injury occurred.

For the past 22 years the Progressive Agriculture Foundation has trained hundreds of volunteers about agriculture safety and how to hold a Progressive Agriculture Safety Day in your community. Lambert School was the community that got to learn about ag safety this past Wednesday.

Participants included the K-12 and faculty. The curriculum provided by the foundation encourages hands-on activities so that everyone can learn and participate. The sections held in Lambert were ATV Safety with Ken Nelson from MSU Extension. He discussed how to properly fit to the ATV, wearing the right helmet, and how the machines work. Tim Fine from the Richland County Extension Office taught about chemical safety with a chemical look-a-like station. He quizzed the students to guess which were household and farm chemicals vs. poisonous ones. Also from the Richland

County Extension Office was Josie Evenson talking about Fire Safety. The students practiced what to do in a fire emergency and how to stop-drop-and-roll away from a fire and if your clothes or yourself are caught on fire. In the first aid station, Andy Carda from the Richland County Ambulance Service spoke about what to do if you have an accident and need to take care of a wound. Then they practiced bandaging a wound. Julie Goss from the Richland County Soil Conservation District brought an erosion and water trailer that is set up to show how water can erode soils away from banks. The students were taught where homes should be constructed, how grass and shrubs can help with streambank erosion, and how flowing water can erode roadways and bridges if not properly constructed. Linda Bengochea presented what to do if you are stuck in a blizzard and how to prepare for winter by wearing the proper winter gear and putting together a winter survival kit. Shane Keller from Nortana Grain demonstrated how grain moves causing someone to become immobile which can only take 5 seconds, and ultimately "drown." Students tried to lift a submerged object, showing the powerful weight grain can have.

After the classes went through the small scale rotations, they were broken up into two large groups to view the demonstration from the Lower Yellowstone REA. A trailer held a powerline display that was able to portray what can actually happen if you touch power lines. They discussed what to do if you come across downed power lines, or if you run into one with your vehicle. They also showed us why it is important to stay in your car if this happens.



Julie Goss from the Richland County Soil Conservation District brought an erosion and water trailer that is set up to show how water can erode soils away from banks.

Don Smies from the Richland County Health Department Injury Prevention Program, spoke to the older students about roadway safety and had them try an obstacle course with goggles that assimilated being intoxicated. He also spoke to the younger classes about bike safety and hand signals to use. They were properly fitted with bike helmets.

The final speakers came from the Richland County Sheriff's office. Sidney Police Officer Keller, and MHP Obergfell came to talk about gun safety and the dangers of texting and driving. Not only texting and driving but distracted driving in general. Obergfell stressed heavily about the consequences an accident can be, not only for you, but for your family and friends.

At the beginning of the program, all of the students, volunteers, staff, and speakers were given t-shirts provided by the Progressive Agriculture Foundation. The foundation also provided insurance for the safety day and take-home bags that were filled with donated items from local business: Nortana, The Lions Den, LYREA, Stockman Bank, Seitz Insurance, Lambert FFA, the Lambert school, MSU Extension, Richland County Health Department, and the Fort Peck Youth and Family Activities Committee. The Lambert FFA held a supper fundraiser at one of the basketball games to raise money for each student to have a first-aid kit and bike helmet.

The Progressive Agriculture Safety Day program is the largest rural safety and health education program for children in North America. Their mission is to provide education and training to make farm, ranch and rural life safer and healthier for children and their communities.

## Check out our website roundupweb.com for coverage on:

Watford City Swim Team • Sidney Basketball
 Sidney Gymastics

# Watford City Mayoral Special Election Feb. 21

By Meredith Brose

It's time for a special Mayoral Election in Watford City: Tuesday, February 21st. Brent Sanford was selected to be Governor Doug Burgum's running mate as Lieutenant Governor of North Dakota and has resigning as Mayor of Watford City. Therefore two candidates are in the running to be the city's next leader.

Greg Schuetze, an electrical contractor in Watford City said of the city, "It's better than any other place I have worked." He described the city as vibrant and welcoming to everybody and attributes this accomplishment to the "historically good leadership." He wants to continue on this path by establishing a team with the staff, community, and neighboring communities. As a member of the general public he has noticed a low response from them and would like to increase their involvement.

His plan of action is to be ready with an Active Emergency Response Plan in place in order to react in a timely and effective manner to natural disasters such as high winds, blizzards, tornadoes, snow storms, and flooding. He would also like to improve City Council meetings to better implement Robert's Rules of Order so that a motion is made first and then a discussion will take place. He thinks this will help the meetings to run smoothly and will enhance the public's involvement in the meetings.

Schuetze says, "I have spent a great deal of time educating myself about how government works." He has focused on rural leadership and has met with legislators in Washington, D.C. and Bismarck. He enjoys discussing challenges with people to find a solution.

Justin Voll, president of First International Bank and Trust in Watford City graduated from Watford High School, attended North Dakota State University and has lived in Watford City for fifteen years. During the past ten years he has been active in the City Council which he thinks is going in the right direction. He said, "There is a lot of infrastructure and it is set up better for handling growth of roads and meeting the need of water and sewer improvements".

Voll has a working knowledge of the issues at hand and the history of why things were done in certain manners. He said there will be more continuity with him. He is very impressed with the two "awesome" former mayors and, "If I can do half as good a job as them, I will feel good about myself." He has a team in place with whom he has an excellent working relationship.

The Watford City Chamber is holding a Meet the Candidates forum in conjunction with their network luncheon on Wednesday, February 1 at Teddy's Residential Suites Lounge located at 113 9th Ave. SE at 11:30 am. Lunch is \$11 per person or free for Watford City Chamber Silver and above members.

### Importance of private lands to conservation focus of ARS BrownBagger talk

By Beth Redlin

More than two-thirds of the land area in the United States is privately owned, with 914 million acres in farms or ranches. These working lands include much of the country's remaining open space and habitat, making them vitally important to the conservation of soil, water, and fish and wildlife resources.

But, while private lands provide society with valuable benefits and aid in conservation of natural resources, maintaining these private working lands is not easy, particularly in this part of the country, according to Michelle Downey, a "Farm Bill Biologist" with Pheasants Forever, Inc.. Eastern Montana landowners wanting to institute conservation projects on their lands face a multitude of challenges, she notes, including harsh climates, market fluctuations and lack of skilled laborers.

But help is available, Downey says, through a unique partnership between conservation-oriented groups like Pheasants Forever, government conservation programs and administering agencies, and private landowners.

Downey will be sharing information on that partnership and the importance of private lands to conservation efforts on Friday, Feb. 3, as the second speaker in the 2017 winter BrownBagger Series sponsored by the USDA-Agricultural Research Service's Northern Plains Agricultural Research Laboratory (NPARL) in Sidney.

Downey's presentation, entitled "The Value of Private Lands to Society and Conservation," will be held Friday from Noon to 1 pm at the Sidney research lab, 1500 N. Central Avenue.

In an effort to support Montana private lands, Downey says her job is to connect farmers, ranchers, and landowners with voluntary conservation programs and provide technical assistance and best management practices to aid them in meeting their land use goals while at the same time maintaining or bolstering wildlife habitat. To accomplish that goal, farm bill biologists like Downey get to know the ins and outs of federal, state, and local conservation programs in order to assist farmers and ranchers in finding the right program to meet their goals.

Downey is housed at the USDA Service Center in Scobey and works cooperatively with the Farm Service Agency and the Natural Resources Conservation Service as one of three Pheasants Forever "farm bill biologists" in Montana. Funding for her position is shared between NRCS, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks. Duck Unlimited, and local Pheasants Forever Chapter

Parks, Duck Unlimited, and local Pheasants Forever Chapter Please join us Friday, Feb. 3, to learn more. Bring your lunch; we'll provide dessert!

For questions or more information on NPARL's 2017 Brownbagger Series, contact Beth Redlin at 406-433-9427 or beth. redlin@ars.usda.gov.

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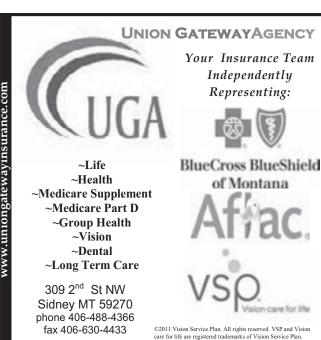
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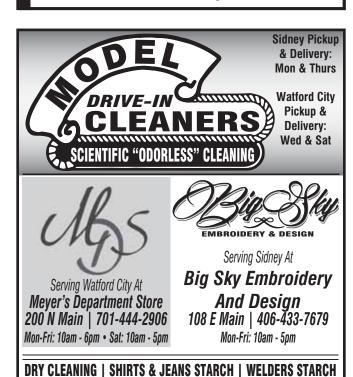
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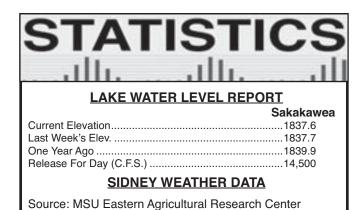
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Mass of the Christian burial for Mae I. Rehbein, 92, of Sidney is at 10 a.m., Saturday, February 4 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney with Father Hilary Tran as presider.

Wake services are at 6 p.m., Friday, February 3 at Fulkerson-Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Sidney.

Interment will be in Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT under the direction of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral home of Sidney. Visitation will be on Friday, February 3 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

at the funeral home and one hour before mass at the church. Mae died on Sunday afternoon, January 29 at Sidney Health

Center, Sidney, MT.

#### Montana Department of **Transportation Proposes** Construction of Multi-Use Path and Sidewalk in Sidney

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) would like to notify the public and seek comments on a proposal to design and build Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant multi-use path and sidewalk along approximately 0.37 miles of the north side of 14th Street SE and the west side of 9th Ave SE in Sidney. The project begins at the intersection of 14th Street SE and 4th Avenue SE at reference post (RP) 0.37 and extends east along 14th Street SE for 0.28 miles to 9th Avenue SE at RP 0.65. The project then runs northeast for 0.09 miles along 9th Avenue SE from the intersection with 14th Street SE at RP 0.00 to 10th Ave SE at RP 0.09.

Proposed work includes construction of ADA-compliant multi-use path along 14th Street SE and ADA-complaint sidewalk along 9th Avenue SE. The purpose of the project is to extend the existing multi-use path to allow additional residents in the southeast end of Sidney as well as Sidney High School students to realize the full benefits of the multi-use path.

An additional safety element of the multi-use path along 14th Street SE will include piping of the Lower Yellowstone Irrigation District Lateral D that is currently run as an open ditch.

For more information, please contact Glendive District Administrator Shane Mintz at (406) 345-8212, Project Design Engineer Terry Voeller at (406) 4449457, or Sidney Public Works Director Jeff Hintz at (406) 433-2809. Members of the public may submit written comments to the Montana Department of Transportation Glendive office at P.O. 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 9150000. Alternative accessible formats of this information will be provided upon request by contacting the Office of Civil Rights, P.O. Box 201001, Helena, MT 59620; (406) 444-9229; fax (406) 444-7243, or e-mail to aflesch@mt.gov. Those using a TTY may call (800) 335-7592 or through the Montana Relay Service at 711.

#### The MonDak Heritage Center Announces the 2017 Youth Art Show

The MonDak Heritage Center announces the 2017 Youth Art Show. The exhibition runs from Wednesday, February 1 through Saturday, February 25 at the MonDak Heritage Center, 120 3rd Ave SE, Sidney featuring artwork from 7th-12th grade students from area schools, including acrylic paintings, charcoal drawings, pottery, and more. Plus, life-size, cut-out portraits! Join us to enjoy the area's talented youth, and vote for the People's Choice awards for each grade division. Sponsored by Edward Jones Financial Advisors. The MonDak Heritage Center is open Tuesday-Friday from 10-4 and Saturday from 1-4. Admission is FREE. For more information call (406) 433-3500 or e-mail mdhc@richland.org.

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Wed., Feb. 1
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Youth Art Show - Art from local schools, grade 7-12 will be on display for judging by professional artist and people's choice. Viewing is free and open to the public. This event will run through the month of February. MonDak Heritage Center, 120 3rd St. SE, Sidney, MT, 406-433-3500. Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturdays, 1-4 p.m. Thurs., Feb. 2

12-1 p.m. - Sidney Kiwanis Club Meeting - Elks Lodge, 123 3rd St. SW.

Sun., Feb. 5

2-5 p.m. - Bingo - Sidney Moose Lodge. Mon., Feb. 6

6:30 p.m. - Fairview Chamber Recognition Dinner - St. Catherine's Catholic Church Multi-purpose room. Tickets \$35. RSVP to fairviewmtchamber@gmail.com.

Tues., Feb. 7 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. - MOPS - Mothers of 0-5 years old can come and connect, laugh, cry and embrace the journey of motherhood. Breakfast and childcare provided. Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church, 1100 Madison Lane, Sidney, MT. For more info contact Rachel Dasinger, 406-480-0924, sidneymops@hotmail.com.

Thurs., Feb. 9 7 p.m. - Too Marvelous for Words: A Celebration of the Nat King Cole Trio - Peter Smith weaves in stories of Nat King Cole's life as they relate to the song selections, creating a fun, informative evening of Nat's life. Tickets at the door, \$15 for adults, \$13 for seniors and \$10 for students. MonDak Heritage Center, 120 3rd St. SE, Sidney, MT, 406-433-3500. Sat., Feb. 11

7 p.m. - Celebrating Chocolate - Amazing live music featuring Too Marvelous For Words: A Celebration of the Nat "King" Cole Trio, lots of chocolate and a fine selection of beer and wine, coffee, milk and savory treats. MonDak Heritage Center, 120 3rd St. SE, Sidney, MT, 406-433-3500.

Sun., Feb. 12 12-4 p.m. - Benefit Luncheon and Silent Auction - A free will offering and silent auction will be held to assist the Bryan and Michelle (Miller) Smith family whose home must be demolished and replaced immediately. Savage Community Hall, Savage, MT. For more information contact Debi Basta at 406-798-3391

Mon., Feb. 13

10 a.m. - Eastern Montana Sheep Symposium - Topics will include Ewe Body Condition Scoring and Late Gestation Nutrition, Alternative Feed Stuffs, An Update from the Montana Wool Growers Association (MWGA), Results from a Trace Mineral Study, integrated Pest Management and Marketing. Lunch will be served. Richland County Extension Office Meeting Room, Sidney, MT. For more information contact Tim Fine, 433-1206 or timothy.fine@montana.edu. 12-1 p.m. - Sidney Lions Club Meeting - Elks Lodge, 123 3rd St. SW.

6-8 p.m. - Hunter Ed Rifle Classroom Course Orientation/ walk in registration - Eastern Ag Research Center, 1501 North Central Ave., Sidney, MT. Class schedule Feb. 20, 21, 23, 24 from 6-9 p.m.; Feb. 25 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Must attend orientation and all classes. No charge. For more information contact Larry Christensen, 406-489-2589, Ron Sorenson, 406-488-7664, Tom Lorenz, 406-433-2536 or Jim Miller, 406-436 or Jim Miller, 406-43 489-1653. Online registration, https://register-ed.com/events/ view/89193.

Wed., Feb. 15 11:30 a.m. - Richland Red Hatters Valentine's Lunch Meeting - Rod Iron. RSVP by Feb. 13. Call Sylvia, 798-3882 or Margaret, 488-4613.

5 - 10 p.m. - Community Pint Night- Meadowlark Public House. \$1 for every pint sold will go to support a community organization.

Thurs., Feb. 16

2 p.m. - Second graders at West Side will be performing SWAMPED - West Sidney Gym, Sidney, MT.

McKenzie County Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone

Wed., Feb. 1 11:30 a.m. - February Network Luncheon/Mayor Candidates Forum - Guests will be Justin Voll and Gregg Schuetze, Watford City mayor candidates. Lunch is \$11 per person or free for our silver and above members. Teddy's Lounge, Watford City, ND.

Thurs.. Feb. 23

6:30 p.m. - Community Arts Forum - An informal gathering of minds and a discussion on how the Long X Arts Foundation can better serve the community. Snacks and beverages will be served. Door 204 Coffee Shop, 204 Main Street, Watford City. For more information visit www.longxarts.com or contact Jessie Scofield, jessieveeder@gmail.com, 701-770-8659.

#### WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone. Sat., Feb. 4

9 a.m.-4 p.m. - Scrapbooking - Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. 701-572-9034. 3-11:30 p.m. - API Chili Cook-Off - Fundraising event at the Grand Williston Hotel, Williston, ND. For more information contact Ken Callahan, 701-572-1620.

Sun., Feb. 5 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. - Area Lions Club Pancake & Sausage Breakfast - Family, \$17; adults, \$6; children ages 6-12, \$4; children ages 5 and under, free. Come alone, bring your family or order takeout! First Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 9th and Main, Williston, ND. Tues., Feb. 7

Hard Spring Wheat Show - This event will continue on Feb. 8 and 9. Featuring guest speakers, a trade show, photo contest, bread fair and much more. Grand Williston Hotel and Conference Center, Williston, ND. For more information visit the Facebook page for all the latest updates Annual Hard Spring Wheat Show- Williston, ND.

Sat., Feb. 11 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Historic Sewing Club - A group initiated by Fort Union to do historic period sewing. A presentation with instructions and information will be from 10 a.m.-noon and sewing will ensue from 1-3:30 p.m. Participants should bring their own materials and lunch. Missouri-Yellowstone

Confluence Interpretive Center. 701-572-9034. Thurs., Feb. 16 7 p.m. - Fort Buford History Book Club - Join history buffs in a discussion of this month's selected book, "Oregon Trail,"

by Rinker Buck. Free refreshments. Please call in advance, 701.572.9034. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. Fri., Feb. 17

9 a.m.-4 p.m. - Confluence Quilters Monthly Meeting - All experience levels invited and instruction provided. Bring your own lunch and unfinished projects. This event continues on Feb. 18. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. 701-572-9034

Sat., Feb. 25

11 a.m.-5 p.m. - Lutefisk and Norwegian Meatball Dinner -Tickets: Adults and High School \$15 until Feb. 15 (\$18 after Feb. 15); Junior High & Grades \$8; Preschool children free. First Lutheran Church, 916 Main Street, Williston, ND.

#### Dawson County

**Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone** 

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Glendive Agri-Trade Expo - Large variety of booths, new technologies and products, rifle raffle, variety of seminars, pressure cooking demonstration. This event continues 1-3 p.m. on Feb. 11 with a family financial planning seminar. EPEC Center, 313 S. Merrill Ave., Glendive, MT. For more information call 406-987-3777 or visit www.gateexpo.

Wed., Feb. 15

12-1 p.m. - Lunch 'n' Learn - Local artist Amanda Heimbuch will give a demonstration of her sculpted clay flower and a look into the world of clay. Tea and coffee provided, bring your own lunch. Glendive Public Library Community Room, Glendive, MT. For more information http://tinyurl.com/prgkapr.



# Jones & Steinbeisser Sign at DSU

Sidney's Trace Jones and Jared Steinbeisser have signed on to be dual athletes at Dickinson State University. They will play football and compete in track for the Blue Hawks. Congratulations boys! (Photo by Kathy Johnson.)

# Watford City Swim Meet Feb. 3

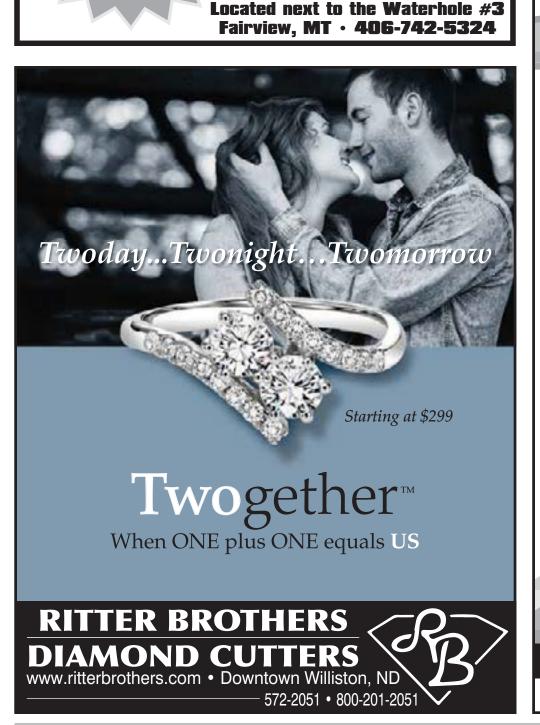
This Friday, February 3rd, the Watford City Swim Team will be having an in house meet at the Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway, Watford City. Everyone is welcome to come and observe or cheer on the swimmers from up in the stands. The meet will start shortly after 5 pm and lasts about an hour. Call Rita Squillace at 510-672-7770 for more information or to get on their roster to receive emails. For sign up information, call coach Jamie Norstog at 701-339-0912.

For photos from the last swim meet go to roundupweb.











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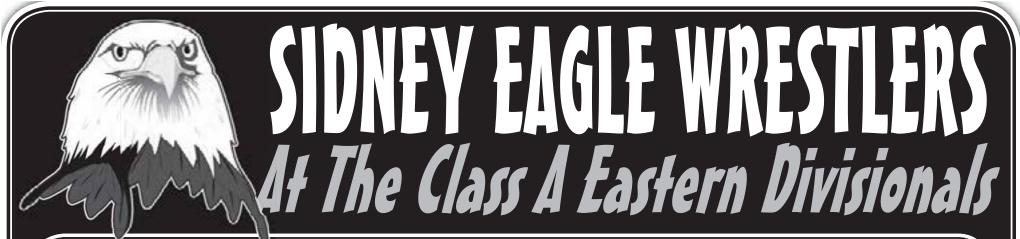


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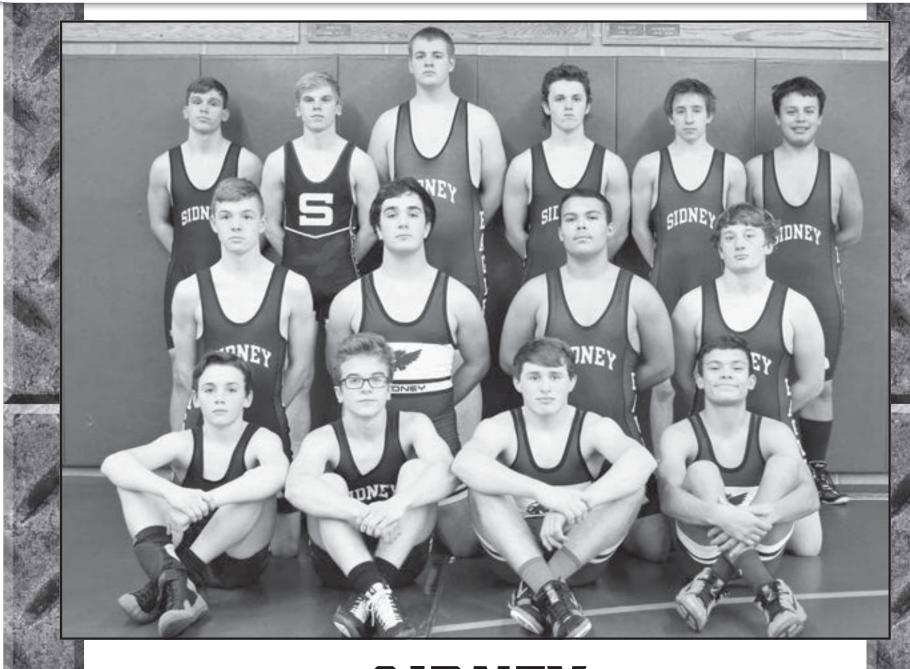


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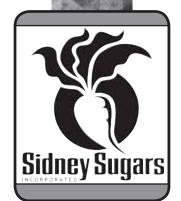


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round, chicken noodle soup, peaches.

Mon., Feb. 6: Chicken patty on a bun, cheesy potatoes, apple. Tues., Feb. 7: Hamburger gravy over potatoes, green bean, pears, dinner roll.

Wed., Feb. 8: Corn dogs, oven wedges, mandarin oranges.

Savage School Thurs., Feb. 2: Chicken drum-

Fri., Feb. 3: Burritos.

#### Rau School Wed., Feb. 1: Cook's choice. Thurs., Feb. 2: Italian dunker,

corn, pears, pudding. Fri., Feb. 3: Soup, sandwich, veggies, fruit. Mon., Feb. 6: Chicken and rice

hotdish, steamed vegetables, peaches. Tues., Feb. 7: Corn dogs, fries,

carrots with ranch, pears. Wed., Feb. 8: Cook's choice. Froid School

Wed., Feb. 1: Roast pork, scalloped potatoes, veggies, buns, dessert, salad bar, fruit, milk.

Thurs., Feb. 2: Chicken fajitas, spanish rice, lettuce mix, salad bar, fruit, milk Fri., Feb. 3: Pizza pasta, garlic

bread, lettuce mix, salad bar, fruit, milk. Mon., Feb. 6: Pulled pork on a bun, smiley potatoes, veggies,

salad bar, fruit, milk. Tues., Feb. 7: Chicken supreme, buns, veggies, salad bar, fruit,

Wed., Feb. 8: Taco pockets, refried beans, chips and cheese, dessert, taco bar, milk.

#### **Bainville School** Wed., Feb. 1: Brennen Brunelle

Day! Bacon cheeseburger, curly fries, peaches, ice cream sand-Thurs., Feb. 2: Egg salad or tuna

sandwich, soup, fruit. Fri., Feb. 3: Spaghetti with meat

sauce, rolls, peas, fruit. Mon., Feb. 6: Pork chop sandwich, green beans, fruit. Tues., Feb. 7: Flat bread pizza, mixed veggies, pineapple.

Wed., Feb. 8: Fish, french fries,

peas, applesauce. **Culbertson School** Wed., Feb. 1: Grilled cheese,

tomato soup, fruit, milk. Thurs., Feb. 2: Baked potatoes, fruit, milk. Fri., Feb. 3: Italian dunkers, sal-

Mon., Feb. 6: Salisbury steak with gravy, home fries, green beans, fruit, milk.

Tues., Feb. 7: Quesadillas, salsa, fruit, milk.

Wed., Feb. 8: Pork chops, rice, peas, fruit, milk.

#### Richey School

Wed., Feb. 1: Deli sandwich, pickle spear, pineapple, ice cream,

Thurs.. Feb. 2: Green bean casserole, dinner roll, mandarin oranges, milk.

Fri., Feb. 3: Beef strips, au gratin potatoes, carrots, pears, milk. Mon., Feb. 6: Fish burger, fries, fruit cocktail, corn, milk.

Tues., Feb. 7: Spaghetti, bread-

stick, green beans, peaches, milk. Wed., Feb. 8: Biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, muffins, grapes, **Lambert School** 

#### Wed., Feb. 1: Hamburger gravy,

mashed potatoes, corn, buns, peaches, milk. Thurs., Feb. 2: Hobo stew, buns, cheese, cracker, fruit, milk.

Fri., Feb. 3: Italian dunkers, green beans, pears, milk. Mon., Feb. 6: Hot ham and

cheese, chips, fruit, milk. Tues., Feb. 7: Chicken strips, fries, carrots, fruit. Wed., Feb. 8: Hot dogs, macaroni

and cheese, applesauce, milk. **Fairview School** 

Wed., Feb. 1: Chicken noodle casserole, pears, carrots, milk. Thurs., Feb. 2: Tacos in a bag, pineapple, dessert, milk. Fri., Feb. 3: No school.

Mon., Feb. 6: Scalloped potatoes with ham, broccoli, applesauce, milk.

Tues., Feb. 7: Pizza, tossed salad, mandarin oranges, dessert, milk. Wed., Feb. 8: Taco bake, tossed

salad, bananas, milk.

#### **Watford City** Feb. 1: Slushbur smilev

potatoes, corn, grapes. Thurs., Feb. 2: Chicken rings, twice baked potatoes, steamed carrots, fruit cocktail.

Fri., Feb. 3: Cheesy breadstick

with marinara dipping sauce, broccoli, grapes, banana pudding dessert. Mon., Feb. 6: French toast stick

with syrup, sausage patty, hash brown, applesauce. Tues., Feb. 7: BBQ chicken

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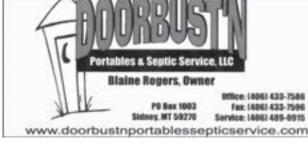
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## Senator Tester Holds Listening Session in Sidney

Senator Jon Tester held a listening session with health care professionals from the region in Sidney last Friday, one of fifteen in the state so far, to hear their concerns about the existing Affordable Care Act (ACA), and what could be done to improve it.

CEOs and representatives from area hospitals, mental health, Action For Eastern Montana, public health, and nursing homes expressed their frustration and praise with the existing

All agreed that coverage for pre-existing conditions and preventative services, with no caps should be kept as part of any new system.

Mental health officials stated that their outcomes had improved significantly with the expansion of Medicaid, including dental and vision, stating that mental health needs physical health. They commented that the ACA needs to be tweaked, not replaced. With the possibility that federal dollars may not cover Med-

icaid in its current form, attendees worried that programs now covered, such as vision and dental, may be eliminated. Trying to care for a patient who can't eat because of bad teeth is difficult.

While some hospitals saw a higher number of insured

be collectible. Reporting requirements were also seen as time consuming and ineffective by some. Another issue was unequareimbursement by federal programs, with the desire expressec that all agencies should pay the same for procedures.

The lack of tort reform with the ACA was also discussed with the comment that doctors and hospitals are forced to practice 'defensive medicine', possibly ordering more tests than necessary, to prevent a potential lawsuit. Senator Tester agreed that

more transparency is needed in all areas. Public health expressed frustration with the lack of pre-

vention funds they receive, stating that the dollars go from the feds to the state, but very little comes to Richland County even though their services are more cost effective than those through the hospitals.

Senator Tester thanked everyone for their input, and was headed to Plentywood to continue his listening sesMcWalter New President at Merchants Bank



**Neil McWalter** 

Neil McWalter is the new president of Merchants Bank in Fairview. He has been with Merchants Bank since September, starting in Rugby, NC and transferring to Fairview in mid-December. Originally from Grand Forks, he has 24 years experience in the banking industry.

"I am happy to be here," McWalter stated, "We're here to serve the community with what ever needs they may have, whether it's ag related commercial or personal." He is also very pleased with the staff at Merchants Bank. "We have an established staff that I feel really good about. They know the community and the customers and are more than willing to help in any way they can.

McWalter has two grown. married children who live in Fargo and Grand Forks. His hobbies include fishing and riding his Harley. He is looking forward to getting acquainted with the area and becoming more involved in the com-



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