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"Best Of The West" Ribfest & Street Fair This Friday

Country music act Blackhawk opening for this year's headliner, Hairball.

By Meagan Dotson

Get your grub and good times on at the 19th Annual Best of the West Ribfest & Street Fair on Main Street, Watford City, ND, Friday, Aug. 11.

Ribfest teams must be set up and ready to cook by 10 a.m.; judging will start at 3 p.m. There is no limit to the number of teams that can register, but there is a minimum of 200 lbs. of ribs that each team must cook, and teams must provide an emailed receipt for the purchase of the meat by 4 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 9. First place will be awarded \$1,000 and bragging rights, of course. Second place will get \$500 and third place will receive \$250. Teams can set up the night before as well as the morning of the event.

The 12th Annual Classic Car & Truck Show, sponsored by Panther, is happening from noon-7 p.m. with judging beginning at 4 p.m. This is open to vehicles of all ages. Awards for both the Classic Car & Truck Show and Ribfest winners will be held at 5 p.m.

The Bags & Bones Cornhole Tournament starts at 11 a.m. Teams will play for cash prizes sponsored by RTC Networks & Watford City Tourism; first place will win \$1,000, \$400 for second, and \$100 for third place.

The Kids Zone, sponsored by Legendary Smiles, will be open from noon-8

p.m. with Jump & Fun Inflatable Games. This is free, however kids under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

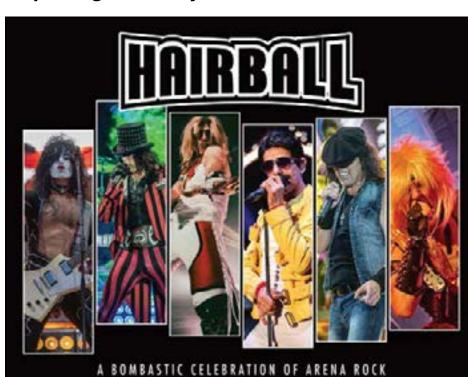
There will be food vendors available throughout the day, as well as craft vendors for anyone who would like to do a little shopping.

North Dakota native and musician Josh Kehr will be getting the party started from 4-7 p.m. on the 3rd Ave. side stage, sponsored by Badlands Hydrovac Services LLC.

Ribs will be served to the public at 6 p.m. and at 7:30 p.m. country music act Blackhawk will be opening for this year's headliner, Hairball. Hairball's 'Bombastic Collaboration of Arena Rock' will take the stage at 9:30 p.m. This year's Premier Entertainment Sponsor is First International Bank & Trust and ONEOK is sponsoring the big stage for this year's Ribfest.

Jones Contractors VIP Pit Passes are available at www.facebook.com/ BestOfTheWestribfest or on the Ticketleap website. They are \$75 per pass and include pit access at the stage with seating under a canopy tent to keep VIPs cool and comfortable, access to an exclusive VIP bar, bathrooms and drink specials will be available. VIP passes do not include ribs. There are only 35 VIP passes left, so get them while you can!

n while you can! To register as a team



Above: Hairball photo courtesy of hairballonline.com.

Right: Blackhawk photo courtesy of blackhawklive.com.

or vendor, a complete list of team rules, or for more information in general, visit www. watfordcityribfest.com. Additionally, you can check out the event at www.facebook. com/BestOfTheWestRibfest, contact the Watford City Chamber of Commerce at 701-570-5084 or email them at wcchamber@restel.com. If this is your first year,

or if this is a tried-and-true tradition, you won't want to miss this awesome event which invites you to 'Come for the Ribs, Stay for the Music!'

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First Ever
Back To
School
Bash &
Vendor
Show
Coming
To
Alexander

By Jaymi Mozeak

Back to School Bash and Vendor Show will be held Aug. 13 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., at the Lewis and Clark Trail Museum, Alexander, ND

Alexander has had a vendor show off and on for a couple of years, now, Cathy White, the director of the museum, thought of something better for the vendor show. She changed the name and part of the goal. For the first time, this year, there will be a school supply drive. She said, "I know of and have seen students in need and it's not fair that the teachers have to purchase supplies for them." With the Back to School Bash and Vendor Show, she is hoping to get a lot of support in the school supply drive from the community.

In 2022 the vendor show had a decent turnout, bringing in 200-300 people. White hopes to bring in more this year and will have some of the vendors indoors. Besides vendors and the school supply drive, there will be lots of fun things for kids to do at the Back to School Bash and Vendor Show. There will be games, crafts, food trucks, a bouncy house, face painting, and water games.

With the event just around the corner, White is still looking for vendors. Those wishing to participate need to call the Lewis and Clark Trail Museum at 701-828-3595 or Director Cathy White at 480-231-7641.

The Lewis and Clark Trail Museum is located at 102 Indiana Ave E, Alexander.

Richland County Fair Grand Champions



Cooper McNally shows his Grand Champion hog during the 4-H Livestock Auction Aug. 4 at the Richland County Fair. Kraken Oil purchased McNally's hog.



Richland County 4-H held their Richland County Fair Livestock Auction on Aug. 4 at the Richland County Fairgrounds in Sidney. Pictured above is William Head with his Grand Champion steer that was purchased by Border Steel. Also winning Grand Champion honors were Kally Strohm's market lamb, Brynlee McNally's market goat, Rylan Kunick's market Rabbit and Matthias Castro's market poultry.

Roosevelt County Fair This Week

By Jaymi Mozeak

The Roosevelt County Fair is not too far away. The fun that Roosevelt County has been waiting for will be Aug. 8-12 and it is right around the bend.

around the bend.

Cale Moon is going to perform Friday at 7 p.m. According to http://www.rooseveltcountyfair.org/, Cale Moon is the son of a long-haul truck driver. He grew up loving the blue-collar American way of life: hard work, diesel fumes, dirt, guns, God, family and freedom. Cale's music is inspired by everyday life as it happens in the lives of everyday folks. The concert is free and will be held on the

lawn. According to Moon's website, www.calemoon. com, "Now entirely self-produced, Cale is reviving the true spirit of country music: "Real songs for real people living real lives in the real world. My goal isn't to be acclaimed by critics, but to just be loved by my people. Ain't no boardroom meetings with executives and bean counters to decide what kind of music I'm gonna make. The only opinion I care about is THE FANS. Y'all say you want country music, and that's what I'm gonna make. Simple as that."

Kent Messmer will be doing his comedy hypnosis show Thursday, Aug. 10 at 7 p.m. According to www.alansands.com, Kent is a Montana native who first discovered magic at the age of nine after seeing a magician perform at his church. He knew then that is what he wanted to be. Now after many years of learning and performing, he teaches others the joy of entertaining through magic. Kent's riveting stage presence combined with his timely humor and amazing talent has won him acclaim everywhere he has performed. He has treated audiences of all ages to imaginative and entertaining shows that have resulted in his tremendous success and popularity. He will be

There is much more to see and do with the food,

judging, shows, dance, races, and goat fashion show. Exhibits will be open from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. daily and the fair closes at 3 p.m. on Saturday.



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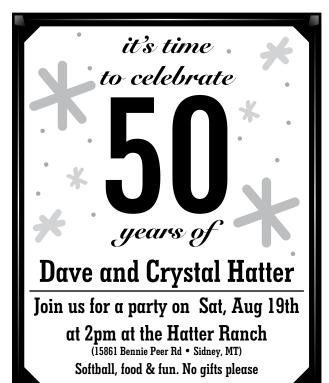


HORSE CREEK FIRE DISTRICT MEETING

Monday, August 14th At 3pm (MST)

Horse Creek School -1812 Horse Creek Rd • Cartwright, ND





The Four Mile **Cemetary Association**

will hold a

Public Meeting on Saturday 8/12/2023 at 2PM

At the Fairview Senior Citizen Center

Individuals who wish to become a new member or do volunteer work are welcome to attend

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Last Week's Elev	1842.4	
One Year Ago	1837.9	
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SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date		High	Low	Precip.
July	31	91	64	0.120
Aug.	1	98	61	0.730
Aug.	2	91	62	0.000
Aug.	3	92	65	0.000
Aug.	4	72	64	0.750
Aug.	5	84	59	0.000
Aug.	6	80	52	0.000
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OBITUARIES

Kenneth A. Torgerson, 89, Lambert, MT

Celebration of Life services for Kenneth A. Torgerson, 89, Lambert, MT, will be Saturday, Aug.19, 2023 at 10 a.m. at Pella Lutheran Church, Sidney, MT, with Pastor Barb Haugerud officiating.

Kenneth will be laid to rest at the Lambert Community Cemetery, Lambert, MT, and the burial will be followed by a luncheon at the Lambert's Fox Lake Community Center. Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is

assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be

shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com. Kenneth passed away on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, in Spokane, MT surrounded by his family.

Christie "Chris" King, 69 Trenton, ND

Chris J. King, 69, Trenton, ND passed away July 28, 2023, at 9:15 a.m. surrounded by his children after a long and courageous 7+ year battle with small cell lung cancer.

Chris was born in Pilot Mound, Canada on Aug. 3, 1953, to Pearl Mae Sanders and Arthur D. King.

Chris was a proud Navy veteran and a man of many trades. He enjoyed woodworking, construction, welding, painting, and operating heavy machinery - to name just a few. After serving in the United States Navy, he attended college in Grand



Chris J. King

Forks, ND for architecture. It was there that he met the love of his life, Robin. Chris and Robin were united in marriage on July 17, 1981, in Saint Michaels, ND.

Watching old westerns with no sound on and listening to blues music was how you would typically find that Chris spent his days. When he wasn't tinkering around in his garage or playing on his skid steer, he loved fishing and playing cribbage. He always knew the weather report and how much rain we got.

He also knew the exact amount of days he had been without the love of his life, Robin. "792, to the day", after losing her to cancer on May 27, 2021.

Thankful that he is no longer suffering; and finding peace that he gets to be "home" with Robin again... All three of his children and multiple grandchildren will miss him very much.

McKenzie County Fatal Crash

On Aug. 1, at approximately 5:59 p.m. CT, on Hwy. 85mile marker 177, five miles south of Williston there was a two-vehicle head on collision.

A 2020 Chevrolet Equinox driven by Maria White, Groves, TX, with a passenger, Jose White, Groves, TX, was traveling northbound on Highway 85 near mile marker 177 when it hydroplaned on the wet road caused by a heavy downpour in the area. A 2021 Kenworth semi driven by Richard Poline, Minot, ND, was traveling southbound in the same location at the time. The Equinox crossed over center and struck the Kenworth head on. White and her passenger, Jose White were pronounced deceased on the scene. Poline sustained minor injuries and was transported via ambulance to CHI St. Alexius. Williston. ND.

At the time of the crash the road conditions were wet and it was raining.

The agencies who responded to the crash were North Dakota Highway Patrol, McKenzie County Sheriff's Office, Williston Rural Fire Department and Williston Ambulance.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Mountrail County -Pedestrian Fatality

On Friday, Aug. 4, around 3:45 a.m., the North Dakota Highway Patrol received a report that a female pedestrian had been struck by a vehicle on Hwy. 23 near mile marker 52, approximately one mile east of New Town. A 31-yearold female from Roseglen, ND, was located deceased. A witness advised that a vehicle had struck the female and

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is the primary investigating agency and are being assisted by the North Dakota Highway Patrol, Three Affiliated Tribes Police, and the Mountrail County Sheriff's Department.

Law Enforcement is asking the public for any information related to the incident. Anyone with information is asked to call the FBI at 763-569-8000 or the North Dakota Highway Patrol at (admin line) 701-328-2447 or (State Radio) 701-

This incident remains under investigation by the FBI with the assistance of the North Dakota Highway Patrol, Three Affiliated Tribes Police and Mountrail County Sheriff's

Archery Shoot Aug 12-13 Sidney

The Lone Tree Archers Club, Sidney, will be hosting their annual 3-D Shoot on Saturday, Aug. 12, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 13, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. The shoot will be held at the archery range, which is located 8 miles SE of Sidney on County Road 122.

For more information, contact Tom at 406-489-1946.

Red Cross Blood Drive Aug. 15 Sidney

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, Aug. 15, from 12-6 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE, Sidney.

Advance appointments are strongly recommended. Please call 406-868-0911 or 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate blood.

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT. Wed., Aug. 9

10 a.m.-4 p.m. - Pat Olding "Montana Fabric" Exhibition - Runs through Aug. 26.- "Montana By Food" Exhibit - Runs through Aug. 26.- MonDak Heritage Center, Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. For more info, 406-433-3500, or mdhc@richland.

Thurs., Aug. 10
4-6 p.m. - Cool Off With The Sidney & Fairview Cops - Hot dog dinner, popsicles, games, water fights, drunk buster carts & meet local law enforcement. Sunset Village Community Room, 1032 6th St. SW. Sat., Aug. 12 (Every Sat. through Oct. 14)

7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. - **Richland County Farmers Market** - Richland County Courthouse parking lot, corner of 2nd St. NW & 2nd Ave. NW. 2 p.m. - Four Mile Cemetery Association Public Meeting Fairview - Fairview Senior Citizen Center.

Individuals who wish to become a new member or do volunteer work are welcome to attend. Sat., Aug 12, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. & Sun., Aug. 13, 8 a.m.-2

Lone Tree Archers 3-D Archery Shoot - Archery range, 8 miles SE of Sidney on County Road 122. Lunch available. For more info contact Tom at 406-489-

12-6 p.m. - Red Cross Blood Drive - St. Matthew's Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE. To make an advance call 406-868-0911 or 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood. org to make an appointment to donate blood.

Fri., Aug. 18, 5-8 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 19, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; & Sun., Aug. 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Lone Tree Gun Show - Open to the public. Admission \$5 per day; children under 12 free. Buy, sell, trade, display. Firearms, knives, antiques, accessories, ammo, hunting gear, fishing gear & knife sharpening. Richland Co. Event Center. For more info contact Leann Pelvit,

406-480-5594. Sat., Aug. 19

9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Child ID Event - Free for all children. Local law enforcement will be doing the finger printing, pictures & questions. Parents will be given a CD of their child's info. Sidney Moose Lodge.

9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Children's Carnival- Open to the public. Sidney Moose Lodge.

10 a.m. - Tractor Supply Annual Farmers Market -Come sell your home grown or homemade goods at your local Tractor Supply Company, 302 East Holly St. 5:30 p.m. Derby Starts - JCl Richland County 46th Annual Demolition Derby - Gates & Beer Garden oper at 3 p.m., Calcutta, 4 p.m. Adults \$15; students: \$10; children 5 & under: free; seniors: \$12. Derby filler heats: SXS Races: Registration 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Entry fee \$50; Lawn Mower demolition derby 5:30 p.m. For more info on this Derby contact Wayne Wick, 406-489-3219. Richland Co. Fair & Rodeo, 2118 W. Holly St. For more info on demo derby visit https://www.facebook.com/ SidneyMtJaycees.

McKenzie County

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT. Thurs., Aug. 10 - (Every Thurs. through Sept. 28) 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Watford Market - Includes live music, food & demonstrations. Kent Pelton Nature Park, 501 7th St. SE. For more info visit Watford Market Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/watfordmarketnd. Fri., Aug. 11

10 a.m. - 11 p.m. - Best of the West Ribfest - Ribs, car show, kids zone, cornhole tournament, food, great music & more. Watford City's Main Street. For more info visit the Facebook page.

Sat., Aug. 12

4 p.m. - Jen Lincoln Benefit - Hot dog & burger feed & silent auction to help raise funds for Jen's incoming medical bills. Fraternal Order of Eagles, 1904 Main St. Sat., Aug. 12, 19, 26

1-3:30 p.m. - Kids .22 Shoot at McKenzie County Sportsman's Club - Ammo provided by the club for under 16. 16+ \$5 box. Parental supervision a must. **Sun., Aug. 13**

10 a.m.-5 p.m. - Alexander Lewis & Clark Trail Museum Back to School Bash & Vendor Show -Fun & games for kids; food trucks, vendors needed. Collecting school supplies for Alexander Community students. For more info call the Lewis & Clark Trail Museum, 701-828-3595. Mon., Aug. 14

3 p.m. - Horse Creek Fire District Meeting Cartwright, ND - Horse Creek School, 1812 Horse Creek Road. Thurs., Aug. 17

5 p.m. - Wildlife Management Program Rules and **Proficiency Class** – Rules & proficiency class for archery hunters. McKenzie Co. Sportsman's Club. Call Watford City Police Dept., 701-444-2400 to register.

Sat., Aug. 19 6-9 p.m. - 50s & 60s Revue - A Hard Day's Night Tribute perform the hits from the 50s & 60s. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for a cash bar, dinner at 6 p.m. with concert to follow. Dinner & concert, \$55, tickets on sale now. Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Pkway. For more info visit roughridercenter.com.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT. Thurs., Aug. 10

5-9 p.m. - Summer Nights On Main "Raynes" - Live music, amazing food, drinks, kids activities & more. Downtown Williston.

Fri., Aug. 11-Sat., Aug. 12 2023 North Dakota Chokecherry Festival - Family

friendly event featuring live music, family activities, vendors, free burger feed, mini golf & more. Davidson Park, 11th St W & 9th Ave W. For more info visit https:// www.facebook.com/ChokecherryFestival/.

Sat., Aug. 12 (Every Sat. until Sept. 30) 9 a.m.-12 p.m. - Main Street Market - Vendors will offer homemade & home grown goods & foods. Hedderich's

lot downtown Williston. Tues., Aug. 15 2-4 p.m. - Food Pantry Handouts - First Lutheran

Church, 212 2nd St. NW. For more info call McKenzie Co. Extension Office, 701-444-3451 or visit McKenzie Co. Food Pantry Facebook page. Thurs., Aug. 17

5-9 p.m. - Summer Nights On Main "Slamabama" -Live music, amazing food, drinks, kids activities & more. Downtown Williston. Sat., Aug. 19

6 a.m.-1 p.m. MDT - Williston Basin Airshow - Food, fun and airplanes. Williston Basin International Airport · XWA, 14127 Jensen Lane. For more info visit www. flywilliston.net/airshow.

Dawson County

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Fri., Aug. 11

7 p.m. - Campfire Program: Capture the Flag Zombie Style - Free. Fun, prizes, bragging rights & Zombies! Makoshika State Park Hiatt Amphitheater. For more info call 406-377-6256 or check the Facebook page. Sat., Aug. 19

10 a.m. - Wild Montana Wilderness Walk: Free event. Four mile hike on the Vista trail guided by Makoshika State Park staff, follows a road-to-trails route along a plateau in the undeveloped portion of Makoshika, providing close up views of the badlands & distant views of adjacent valleys. The trail is moderate in difficulty, little or no shade is available. Go to https://wildmontana. org/ to reserve your spot. Meet at Visitor Center.

Watford, ONT, Canada, Shares 150th Anniversary With Olsons

After meeting each other at the Long X Visitors' Center in 2019, Kelly and Frances Olson, Watford City, ND, and Jeannie and John Minten, Watford, ONT, Canada stayed in touch with each other partially because they experienced so many likenesses in their

Since the village of Watford was having their 150th anniversary on June 23 the Mintens chose to invite the Olsons to attend.

Since Dr. Vaughn Morris, who was a doctor in Schafer and Watford City from 1906-1940, named Watford, ONT, in 1915, Later the post office and freight shipments got confused with Wolford, ND, so added the word "city" to the town's

nadian friends, the Olsons

Watford after his hometown

Excited to see their Cawere curious and chose to

"At every event, they introduced us and why we were there," states Frances.

"Making it really easy to talk to everyone about the likenesses and differences." They had a parade and the stores had displays of antiques in their windows.

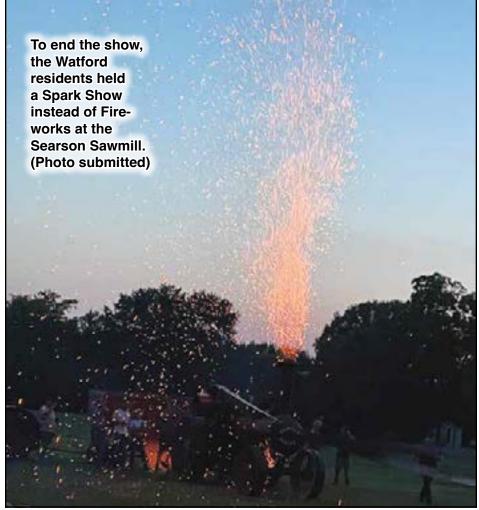
Watford, ONT, is 1430 miles from Watford City, ND, one hour north of Detroit, between Lakes Huron and Erie and has a population of 1750.

They raise hogs and sheep primarily like Watford City, but the difference in the two is that acreage sells for \$40,000/acre (Canadian dollars).

The other difference between the two, the Canadians closed their show with a fire of sawdust from their Searson Sawmill (see photo).



Kelly and Frances Olson, Watford City, ND, stand below the 150th Watford, ONT Anniversary Festival sign. (Photo submitted)











Three Sidney Wrestlers Going to Brazil For International Competition

By Jaymi Mozeak

Three wrestlers from Sidney have been chosen to go to the 2023 World School Sport Games as part of Team USA. They will be joining many other school sports athletes from across the country to participate in an international event in Brazil with 22 different sports.

According to a bulletin handed out to high schools across the country, The World School Sports Games was organized for the first Belgrade, Serbia. It brought together 1,849 school athletes from 36 countries aged 13-15 in a multisport event, creating a unique context for high-level sports competitions, educational programs, and cultural exchanges. The best student-athletes in the world will participate in the World School Sports Games as an individual and as part of teams. In addition to the name of the respective member, individuals, and

time in ISF history in 2021 in individuals as part of the teams will represent their school. Sidney High School was not able to send any stu-

dents but that has changed. Aaron Schmitz, Tyson Syth, and Bodee Bright are the Sidney High School athletes that will be going for wrestling. Shane Gorder nominated them for the program and, after a rigorous process of training and tournaments, Rob Pilcher a coach from Nebraska picked

On Aug. 16, the three wrestlers and Coach Shane Gorder will be heading out to Miami, FL, for a wrestling camp from Aug. 17-18. After the camp, they will fly to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil for the games. The competition will be from Aug. 19-27. While there they will be staying in a hotel along Barra de Tijuca, Rio's longest beach. The competitions will be held at the Barra Olympic Park. The park was originally built

Games and served as the Olympic Park during the 2016 Summer Olympics.

Whether they win or lose the three wrestlers are in for the experience of a lifetime. Besides interacting with other school athletes from all around the world and participating in educational and cultural programs, they will be able to experience the local culture of Rio de Janeiro. This trip would

By Jaymi Mozeak

The Montana Public Service Commission hosted a lis-

After recapping the request and subsequent reactions

John Mercer, Sidney said that he thinks they should

double the increase just to end the meetings. He also said

that because of MDU getting rid of methods of electricity pro-

duction that he feels are reliable such, as coal, and switching

to solar power and wind generators, methods he feels are

tiveness of solar power but also was against MDU's request.

Richland County, Miles City, Terry, and Glendive both in

person and over Zoom expressed that they were not in favor

to tighten their belt and work through the current economic

climate with what they have like everyone else is" and "there

are too many people, businesses, and organizations who

are experiencing financial hardship in MDU's service areas

over eastern Montana and cannot take the hit" to "9.1% is

too high of an increase" and "if North Dakota is going to

be benefitted the most by MDU's improvements then why

occi assured everyone that the Public Service Commission

was still taking public comments in writing, by phone at

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When the meeting was adjourned Commissioner Pin-

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Friday:

of MDU's request for the increase in rates.

should we have to get the rate increase?"

Ann Hoff, Glendive, disagreed with Mercer on the effec-

In total, 10 of the 12 people speaking from Sidney,

Various reasons were given ranging from, "MDU needs

not as durable, the rates will continue to go up anyways.

for the 2007 Pan American not have been possible without those in the community that paid the wrestlers for doing yard work, landscaping, and moving furniture, and the help of the Sidney Wrestling Club.

Arnegard Spud Fest Spet. 9

By Jaymi Mozeak

Arnegard and the surrounding community will be celebrating the long potato-growing heritage of the area. The Arnegard Spud Fest will be held at Arnegard's Nelson Park on Saturday, Sept. 9. from 11 a.m.-8 p.m.

With an early McKenzie County Fair causing it to be difficult for locals to grow produce and show off what they have grown and with the scarcity of area harvest festivals, the Arnegard North Dakota Park District will hold its first annual Arnegard Spud Fest to celebrate the harvest and the area's rich agricultural heritage.

Along with the usual harvest festival festivities, the 2023's Arnegard Spud Fest will have food, live music, vendors, face painting, a style show, free games, crafts, hayrides, pumpkins, raffles, potato sack races, and open horseshoe and cornhole tournaments.

There will also be judging of produce, canned goods, and baked goods. All produce and canned goods presented for judging are to be entered at the park on the evening of Sept. 8 and baked goods are to be entered on the morning of

Updates and times and events can be seen on the Arnegard Park District's Facebook page.

5pm - 8pm

Mon-Fri: 7am - 5:30pm

Sat: 7am -12pm

Saturday: 9am - 6pm

Sunday: 10am - 3pm

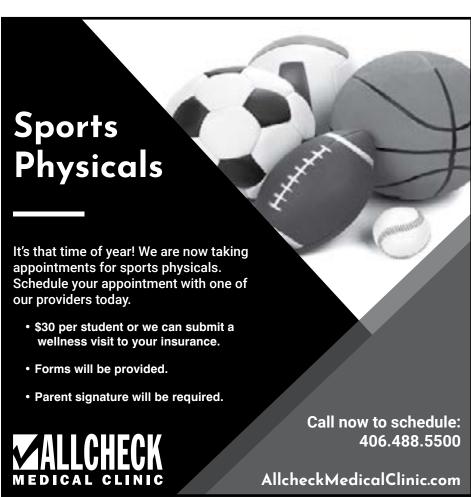
- Admission -

\$5.00 per day

Children under 12 free



Pictured (L-R) Bodee Bright, Aaron Schmitz, and Tyson Syth will proudly be flying down to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in a few days to represent the U.S. in wrestling at the 2nd World Sport Games. (Photo submitted)





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Sidney Job Service Provides Valuable Resources For Former Sidney Sugars Employees

By Meagan Dotson

Former Sidney Sugars employees have found resources through the Sidney Job Service over the last few months. Within days of learning that the factory was closing, Governor Gianforte visited Sidney and tasked the Sidney Job Service with providing every possible resource to the individuals impacted by the layoffs.

A welding trailer, provided by Great Falls College, was brought to Sidney Sugars for onsite training April 3-13, 2023. Dawson Community College provided the trainer, materials and safety gear, and Sidney Job Service called on other area Job Services to assist.

"We arranged to bring in extra support from other Job Service offices to ensure all the welders had their enrollment paperwork done for access to the training funding as well as the documentation needs of Dawson Community College being met. This was accomplished on site at Sidney Sugars with support of their management," explained Sidney Job Service Manager Steve Olson.

Fourteen Sidney Sugars employees completed the two-week, non-certified, prevocational course which was funded at Olson's request by the Dislocated Worker Training Grant. The grant of federal funding was approved by the Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Program Director.

On April 19, the Sidney Job Service, in partnership with the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, had a booth at the local job fair with staff on-site offering resume assistance, career guidance, assistance to present employers with hiring and retention strategies, and updating their employment-related posters.

"I presented to a group of area employers on timely and relevant hiring and retention practices and how those have changed over the years," he said. "I also presented to a group of career seekers and those seeking to improve their careers on modern day job search and employability skills"

Additionally, the Sidney Job Service has had over 50 sit-downs with former Sidney Sugars employees where they assisted the workers in obtaining new careers and developing plans to reach their employment goals. The Sidney Job Service was able to fund career-related training such as CDL certification, welding, and software applications through the Dislocated Worker program, and helped nearly every laid off employee with their unemployment claims. Olson noted that the majority of the individuals they have spoken with have stayed within the community.

"Our goal is to understand the needs of the clients so that we can best assist their unique situation through assessments and discussions," Olson said.

The Sidney Job Service continues to offer resources such as one-on-one customized employment services

for anyone looking for work or seeking a better career. These can include mock interviews to develop interview skills, resume building, application guidance and online application support, interest assessments, access to both formal education and vocational training for those who qualify, and general support for those who are struggling to find, keep or change careers. They also provide a number of valu-

able services to employers.
Olson and his team have received several compliments from the individuals they have worked with and Sidney Sugars general manager. Olson also extends his gratitude to his colleagues at the Glendive and Miles City Job Services who have dedicated their time and energy

in assisting displaced Sidney

Sugars employees. "Beyond the concern for the local economy, as someone who has experienced a layoff, my concern is for the well-being of the individuals and their families," Olson commented. "The financial impact of a layoff is understood but what often is missed is the emotional impact. We do our very best to be good listeners to those who have experienced a job loss such as this to ensure we make referrals to other supportive services they or their family members may

For more information about the Sidney Job Service, contact them at 406-433-1204.



Greetings Sidney Senior Citizens

By Irene Emly

In answer to the inquiry, "where is the Sidney Senior Citizen Center?", we are at 811 3rd St. NE, right next door to M&S Builders, two blocks north of NAPA.

We meet for congregate meals two days

a week: Tuesdays and Fridays. The general age group who attends range in age from 60+ to 90+. We have extended invitations to those we have not seen at the center and receive many excuses: "I'm not old enough (age 85); I'm too busy; I might

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On the other hand, many positive remarks are heard from those who are regulars. "Excellent

are heard from those who are regulars. "Excellent food – in abundance! the price can't be beat (suggested donation is \$5); great service – fast and courteous; you don't have to cook or cleanup; very friendly group; the fellowship is wonderful; you never leave hungry; we receive a cookie treat every time."

each month with a special cake. We are privileged to be served a tasty and varied menu that is difficult when cooking for one or two. Keep these in mind the next time you want a great lunch. We give all the credit to Teresa Larson, and her assistant, Brielle Harrison.

The center is used each week by a group of card players and those who play Bunco. They pay a nominal fee of \$2 each for the use of the building. The Senior Cen-

ter is available for other uses as well, as it has a seating capacity for about 50 people. This would be by reservation only. Leave a call back number by calling the Commission on Aging or leaving a message at the Senior Center, 406-433-8077.

On a side note, there is a huge supply of reading material – lots of paperback books which you can read and return. We also have Senior Saturdays – usually in the fall and winter months. We in-

vite musicians in the area to come for a jam session. All who attend can sing along, make requests and enjoy coffee and treats during the afternoon. We attempt to publicize these events a couple weeks in advance.

When you plan to join us for lunch, please call the Richland County Commission on Aging, 406-433-3701, at least a day ahead of time. See you at Seniors!

Boys Scout Troop 187 & St. John's United Senior Connect Helping Seniors With Lawn Maintenance Needs

Submitted by Jess Eichel

Throughout the winter and summer months, the Boy Scout Troop 187 has graciously agreed to partner with St. John's United Senior Connect to help with keeping seniors living at home for as long as they possibly can by helping with their lawn maintenance needs.

This includes shoveling snow, mowing the lawn, etc. Scout Master Mark Delaney has helped in organizing and making sure the boys are getting to where they need to be and sticking to their agreement in helping the elderly in Richland County.

Huge shout out to the dedication these boys have shown in getting their community service hours in during the harshest of weather conditions! You are appreciated more you more than you know!



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LEGALS NOTICE OF DISPOSAL OF TAX-DEED LANDS BY SALE AT PUBLIC ALICTION

NOTICE HEREBY IS GIVEN, that each of the tax-deed lands listed and described below shall be sold by Richland County, Montana at public auction at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on Wednesday the 6th day of September, 2023 in the Commissioners' Chambers on the third floor of the Richland County Courthouse, 201 West Main, Sidney, Richland County, Montana.

As required by § 7-8-2301(2), MCA, prior to entering an order of disposal of any of the lands, the Board of County Commissioners determined and fixed the price of each parcel to be sold, as stated in the listing below; and the sale may not be made for a price less than the sales price determined and fixed by the Board.

As required by § 7-8-2302(2), MCA, the fair market value of the lands as determined and fixed by the Montana Department of Revenue is stated in the listing below.

All sales are subject to the following repurchase rights pursuant to § 7-8-2303, MCA: At any time up to 24 hours before the time fixed for the sale, the taxpayer or the taxpayer's successor in interest or legal representative may repurchase the property from the county, subject to the reservations provided for in § 7-8-2305, MCA, by payment to the county of the full amount of the taxes, assessments, penalties, and interest due on the land at the time of taking the tax deed plus interest on the full amount at the rate provided for in § 15-16-102. MCA. from the date of the tax deed to the date of repurchase as well as the costs of the county in taking the tax deed and additional taxes or assessments due, if any, at the time of repurchase.

Pursuant to § 7-8-2305(2), MCA, the county will reserve 61/4% royalty interest in the oil, gas other hydrocarbons and minerals produced from each of the lands. Conveyance will be by quit claim

deed without warranty of title. List of Lands to Be Sold

Lot 43. Block 8. South Meadow Village Subdivision Phase I, Richland County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Richland County, Montana

Prior Deed Reference: A169, 698

Geo Code: 27-3444-29-3-06-07-0000

Fair market value, \$88,298.00 Price, \$1,333.67

Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, Block 2, Wilkinson Subdivision Phase II, Richland County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Richland County, Montana Prior Deed Reference: A169, 696

Geo Codes: 27-3444-30-3-06-13-0000, 27-3444-30-3-06-14-0000, 27-3444-30-3-06-15-0000, 27-3444-30-3-06-16-0000, 27-3444-30-3-06-17-0000, 27-3444-30-3-06-18-0000. 27-3444-30-3-06-19-0000. 27-3444-30-3-06-20-0000, 27-3444-30-3-06-21-0000, and 27-3444-30-3-06-22-0000

Fair market values for each lot: Lot 8. \$57.555.00: Lot 9. \$57,892.00; Lot 10, \$57,953.00; Lot 11, \$48,540.00; Lot 12, \$49,226.00; Lot 13, \$48,540.00; Lot 14. \$48.540.00: Lot 15. \$48,281.00; Lot 16, \$48,540.00,

and Lot 17, \$49.305.00. Price for Lots 8 through 17,

STEPHANIE VERHASSELT County Clerk & Recorder

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR ADOPTION OF FINAL BUDGETS 2023-2024

The trustees of Lambert Public Schools Districts 86 & 4, Richland County, give notice that the trustees will meet in the library of the Lambert School on Friday, August 18, 2023, at 8:00 AM, for the purpose of considering and adopting the final budgets of the districts. The trustees may continue the meeting from day to day but shall adopt the final budgets for the districts not later than August 25, 2023.

Any taxpaver in these districts may appear at the meeting and be heard for or against any part of the budgets.

Sammie Nelson, District Clerk Lambert Public Schools

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RICHLAND COUNTY **CALL FOR BIDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of County Commissioners of Richland County, Montana, on Monday, the twenty first (21st) day of August, 2023, at 11:00 am, in their office at 201 West Main Street, Sidney, Montana, will publicly open sealed bids for the purchase of one:

Service Body Pickup A detailed list of specifications

may be obtained by contacting the Richland County Public Works office at 2140 West Holly Street, Sidney, MT 59270 (406.433.2407); or send email to countyworks@richland.org. Requests for ADA/EEO accommodations or information should be directed to Stephanie

Verhasselt, Richland County Clerk & Recorder, 201 West Main Street, Sidney, MT or 406.433.1708 (phone), by noon on August 16th, 2023. Alternative accessible formats of this notice are available upon request.

No bid shall be considered unless accompanied by a bid bond, bank draft, money order, certified or cashier's check in the amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid. The bid shall be presented in a sealed envelope containing a complete copy of the bid proposal, bidder's certification and specifications clearly

marked: Service Body Pickup Bid

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities, or to accept any bid which they deem to be in the best interest of Richland County.

Dated at Sidney, Montana, this 24th day of July, 2023

Stephanie Verhasselt Richland County Clerk & Recorder

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Council of the Town of Fairview, Montana, will on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fairview Senior Center, 217 5th Street West, Fairview, MT 59221, hold a public hearing for the purpose of levying an assessment upon all property within Special Improvement District No. 1, also known as the Ellery Avenue Lighting District to defray the cost of maintenance and supplying electrical current for fiscal year 2024. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to ask questions and express opinions. Comments may be given orally at the meeting or submitted in writing.

Contact the Fairview Town Clerk, Fairview Town Hall. P.O. Box 426, 318 South Central Avenue, Fairview, Montana 59221; by email at townoffairview@ midrivers.com: or call 406-742-5616 during business hours to obtain further information or request an accommodation for a disability.

Dated at Fairview, Montana, this 2nd day of August, 2023. Norma Faye Carlson, Fairview

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Sidney: Tues. & Fri., 11:30 a.m., 813 3rd St. NE, 406-433-8077

Savage: Thurs., 12 p.m., 178 E Main St., 406-776-9980

Lambert: Tues., 12 p.m., Fox Lake Sr. Center, 406-774-3439

Activities/Cards Fairview: Men/Cards, Mon.-Fri. daily at 12:30 p.m.;

Women's Cards: Wed. at 12:30 p.m.; 217 5th St. West, 406-742-5050

Sidney: Cards Thurs., 1 p.m.; 813 3rd St. NE,

406-433-8077 Lambert: Cards, Tues., 1 p.m.; Fox Lake Sr. Center, 406-774-3439

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE AUGUST 22ND & 23RD at 6:00PM

Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority (DRWA)

2024/25 RURAL WATER EXTENSION

Richland County Extension Office 1499 N Central Avenue; Sidney, MT

DRWA is actively working on our HWY 200 West Project southwest of Sidney, MT and are currently confirming users and verifying routes in the project area. The HWY 200 West Project extends approximately 8.5 miles west of the USBR Canal along Highway 200 and can serve rural users and livestock 2 – 3 miles north and south of Highway 200 along the alignment.

We would like to invite you to a meeting to learn more about our project. Topics covered

include HWY 200 West Project History, Preliminary Routing, Easements, Pasture Taps,

hear your comments, questions, and concerns on the upcoming HWY 200 West Project. The Project has been in the preliminary routing phase since February 2023. During the preliminary routing phase, the public is contacted to gauge interest and sign up with DRWA to determine the preliminary route main lines, lateral lines, and service lines. After all users have

signed up, the watermain route is finalized. Design for the project will occur from September

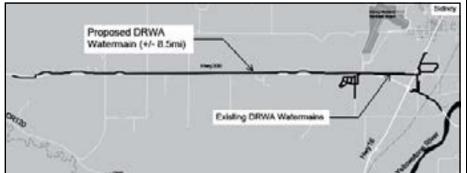
2023 to February 2024. Construction is scheduled for 2024 / 2025.

Connection Fees, Water Rates, DRWA Rules & Regulations, and more. We also would like to

To complete the preliminary routing phase of this project, all users will need to be signed up by the deadline of August 31, 2023. Enrollment paperwork along with DRWA's Rules & Regulations are available via link at the bottom of DRWA's website at www.dryredwater.com. All paperwork will also be available at the Public Meetings. Signing up and connecting to DRWA after the deadline will result in increased connection costs.

If you are unable to attend one of the meeting times but would like more information on the Project or have questions on how to sign up for the Project, please contact Mandi Nay at 406-485-3792 or at drwa@midrivers.com

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting and discussing our Project opportunity with you.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Richland County Conservation District will hold a public meeting on August 10, 2023, at 6:30 pm at the Richland County Conservation District Office, 2745 West Holly Street, Sidney, MT 59270. The purpose of the public meeting will be to set the conservation district budget and to consider levying a permissive medical benefits mil to cover the costs of health benefits and increased health benefits for FY2024. For more information contact Julie Goss at 406-943-3001, richlandcd@ gmail.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Council of the Town of Fairview. Montana. will on Wednesday, August 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fairview Senior Center, 217 5th Street West, Fairview, MT 59221, hold a public hearing for the purpose of levying an assessment upon all property within Special Improvement District No. 15, also known as the Residential Lighting District to defray the cost of maintenance and supplying electrical current for fiscal year 2024. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to ask questions and express opinions. Comments may be given orally at the meeting or submitted in

writing. Contact the Fairview Town Clerk, Fairview Town Hall, P.O. Box 426, 318 South Central Avenue, Fairview, Montana 59221; by email at townoffairview@ midrivers.com: or call 406-742-5616 during business hours to obtain further information or request an accommodation for

a disability.

Dated at Fairview, Montana, this 2nd day of August, 2023. Norma F. Carlson, Fairview Town Clerk

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RAU SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES - ANNUAL **BUDGET MEETING**

This notice is provided in accordance with Section 20-9-115, MCA, to inform the public the Board of Trustees of Rau School District will meet on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 6:00 PM, in the Library at Rau School for the purpose of considering and adopting the final budget of the District. The meeting may be continued from day-to-day until adoption of a budget."

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Shaylee Henschel 35238 County Rd 127 Sidney, MT 59270 406-478-2581

Petitioner appearing without a lawyer

MONTANA 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT RICHLAND COUNTY

In re the Parenting of: Willow Howard In re the Marriage of: Shaylee Henschel Petitioner and

Robbie Howard Respondent Case No: DR-42-2023-0000024-PP

SUMMONS FOR **PUBLICATION NOTICE TO Respondent**

Robbie Howard You are named in a petition to get a final parenting plan for your children. Unless you

may decide against you without you being heard and give Petitioner everything asked for in the petition. You must submit your written response within 21 calendar days. The 21-day period starts the day after the last date of publication of this notice. If the final day fails on a weekend or court holiday, you may file your response on the

next business day. You must file your written response with the Clerk of District Court at 300 12th Ave. NW St 3 and serve a copy of your answer on the Petitioner. Dated this 26th day of August,

> Janice Klempel Clerk of Court By: Laurel Molden Deputy Clerk

> > 2023

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HORSE CREEK SCHOOL **BUS BIDS**

Horse Creek School board is accepting bids for their 2023-2024 school bus route. The route is approximately 30 miles AM and PM. All interested parties may place their bid in a sealed envelope and mail it to the following address:

Horse Creek School Board 1812 Horse Creek Road Cartwright, ND 58838

Please write the words Bus Bid on the outside of the envelope. All bids must be received by Monday, August 14th, 2023. Horse Creek School Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. If you have any questions you

may call Nikki Winter at 701-828-3072.



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Attorney for Petitioner IN THE MONTANA SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT.

RICHLAND COUNTY BEFORE THE HONORABLE KATHERINE M. BIDEGARAY, **DISTRICT JUDGE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE **ESTATE OF** CHERYL LYNN JOHNSTON,

Deceased.

Cause No. DP-11-86 NOTICE OF HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Martin Casey, Richland

County Public Administrator, has filed herein the PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR, which may be examined in the office of the Richland County Clerk of Court. A hearing has been set on the

Public Administrator's petition. Said hearing is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., on the 1st day of September, 2023, in the District Court courtroom, Richland County Law and Justice Center, Sidney, Montana. At that time, all interested persons may appear and object.

DATED this 27th day of July, 2023.

> Martin Casey Richland County Public Administrator

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1 p.m. - 3 p.m. - Grief Reovery Support group, First Lutheran Church music room, Watford City.

7 p.m. - Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.

8 p.m. — AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression. Watford City. Call 770-3603 or 770-2675 for directions or ride. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

7 p.m. — AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance.

7 p.m. - 24-hour Women's AA group meeting, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

7 p.m. - Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.

WEDNESDAYS:

7 p.m. – Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.

THURSDAYS: 7 p.m. - Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of

God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MŤ. **7 p.m.** – Al-Anon Meeting, Presbyterian Church, 316

4th Ave. NE, Watford City, ND. 8 p.m. - AA Group, Northern Pump & Compression,

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6:30 - p.m.- 5 Stones - Faith Based Recovery meeting, Sidney First Church of the Nazarene, 606 9th St. SW Back door is open. 7 p.m. - Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of

God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT. m. - AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance.

SATURDAYS:

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SUNDAYS:

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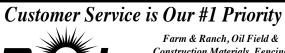






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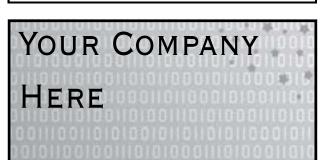


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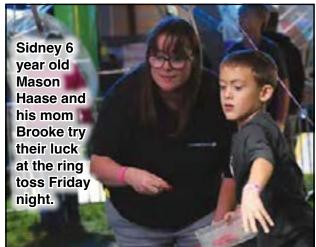




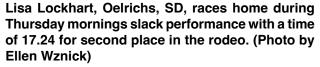
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TRACT I NE 34 - 162-103 **Westby Township**

TRACT II 107 Front St West 3 city lots, Block 1- Lots, 18, 19, 21 City of Westby, MT

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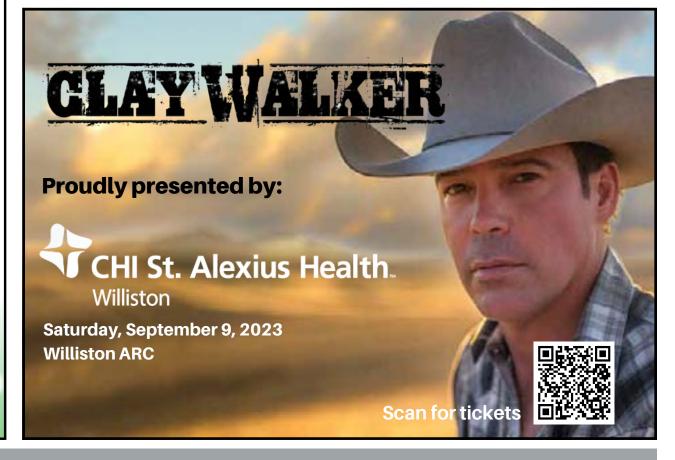




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Martha's Place To Hold Barn Dance Fundraiser In September

By Jaymi Mozeak

Martha's Place, a non-profit organization established to develop a home-like environment for the residents in eastern Montana, will be holding a barn dance Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Richland County Fairgrounds. It will be a fundraiser for the construction that needs to be done to bring the future hospice into existence.

On Aug. 9, 2022, a ribbon cutting for a new

non-profit hospice house, just south of Sidney, tasked with providing the dying with a safe and supportive environment for them to move to the other side.

Martha Nugent and her husband, Richard Garcia, were living in Texas when she felt God gave her a vision that she would build a hospice called Martha's Place. She has a passion for the elderly and the dying so she chose a career encompassing her interests. They

moved to Sidney in 2020 for her work and joined St. Matthew's Catholic Church. In 2021, a fellow parishioner approached Martha and her husband. He had just purchased a large house at an auction and said he wanted to do something for the elderly with it and thought of them. Richard and Martha, both felt it was God providing for what He wanted her to do. The work was started and, on June 27, 2022, the non-profit paperwork was

finally accepted by the IRS. Martha's Place will be available to anyone who chooses not to die in a facility regardless of social status or ability to pay. So far, the

project has been paid for by

fundraisers, donations, and

The barn dance will be held in the cattle barn at the fairgrounds starting at 5 p.m. Cimarron Band from Billings will be playing live

music. The Cattle-Ac will be

providing food and drinks.

There will be a mechanical bull, live, and silent auctions. Martha's Place wanted to offer special thanks to Bakken Balloon for their balloon decorations as well as Ryan and Nicki Bell for the haybales.

Four admission tickets for the National Finals Rodeo 2023 in Las Vegas, NV, Dec. 7-16, 2023 at the Thomas and Mack Center are being raffled off as an additional fundraiser. Raffle tickets will go on sale Monday, July 17-Sept. 15, at Wild Cat Trucking, Sidney. Raffle tickets will also be available for purchase at the Barn Dance until 8 p.m. The winner will be announced at the Barn Dance at 9 p.m.

For more information or to donate items for the live and silent auctions, contact Martha by phone at 832-330-4931 or check them out on Facebook.

Energy Roundup

Bakken Rocks Cookfest Comes Full Circle



The festival has many oil company booths in the cookfest. Each had their own flavorful menus and items adorned with their company logo for people to gather. (Submitted photo)

The Bakken Rocks Cookfest, which is in its 14th year, was held again this year in Killdeer, coming full circle. The Cookfest began in 2009, being held in the towns of Killdeer and Belden that first year. Over the next 12 years there would be two Cookfest's each year in various towns around the western third of North Dakota. The past fests were held at: 2009: Belden and Killdeer; 2010: New Town and Tioga; 2011: Crosby and Watford City; 2012: Belfield and Ray; 2013: Parshall and Powers Lake; 2014: Dunn Center and Kenmare; 2015: Alexander and South Heart; 2016: Mandaree and Stanley; 2017: Medora and Westhope; 2018: Grenora and Twin Buttes; 2019: Bowman and Van Hook; 2020: Canceled due to COVID-19; 2021: Arnegard and Mohall; 2022: Trenton and White Shield.

This year, however, there will be only one and that was in Killdeer Tuesday afternoon and evening, July 18. The event was very well attended.

Starting at 2 p.m. the first two hours were taken up with the educational session of the fest.

Ron Ness, ND Petroleum Council, welcomed the attendees and then former Lt. Governor Brent Sanford spoke. Sanford is Bakken Global Recruitment of Oilfield Workers project manager, or GROW, a new initiative to bring workers to the oil field through immigration, focusing initially on Ukrainians.

Other speakers during the informational session included Martin Stuart, Marathon Oil Vice President of Operations, Lynn Helms, North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources, Justin Kringstad, ND Pipeline Authority, spoke on the transporting of Bakken crude. Finishing up the education segment was Tioga geologist Kathy Neset, owner of NESET. Neset spoke on drilling, geology and the energy of the future. Later she had a booth showcasing pieces of actual oil shale, a jar of crude oil and the jars with crushed rock to show differences in the various shale's making up the different levels of the Bakken Shale zones. It was weird to think that that dark black hard rock, if it were hot,

would-be oozing oil from it. Next came all the fun

There were around 20 oilfield-related companies in the cookfest and each had their own flavorful menus for people to try. The companies competed to win at being people's favorite. Some of the food featured at the booths were baked beans, barbecued ribs, prime rib pieces, brisket, walleye and pepper tacos, and smoked mac and cheese. For dessert, there were cookies, cakes, popcorn, bars and Crestwood's booth was popular with their handmade root beer floats.

The entire event was

free to the public. Alongside the delicious food were piled hundreds of free swag items, emblazoned with company logos. waiting on the tables for people to acquire. Some of those items included padded backpacks, flashlights, pens, shirts, caps, kitchen utensils, golf balls, bottles, plus items like bubble blowers and squirt guns for the kids as well.

Many booths featured free canvas bags and people stuffed them with

Headquarters!

Devin Vanatta, Dickinson, right, cuts ribs that were prepared by self-proclaimed chef, Karl Bottorff, Williston. Both men work for "GO Wireline. Their booth menu also featured baked beans, walleye and pepper tacos, and smoked mac and cheese. (Submitted photo)

free items of every nature as they nibbled on delicious food, while listening to the live band.

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Dickinson band "The Band Nova", a five-piece band, who played a great mixture of country and rock tunes.

There were also kids' activities. Those included M.U.L.E.Y Kids pellet gun range which was sponsored by Mule Deer Foundation, a bounce house, A Gateway to Science booth and a ND National Guard fun house.



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Local Kids Enjoy New Playground Equipment Donated by Sidney Lions



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3rd Annual Williston Airshow Aug. 19 At XWA

Submitted by Barbara Peterson | Marketing & **Business Development** Coordinator

Williston, ND - Get ready for some rip-roaring, high-flying, stunts at the 3rd Annual Williston Airshow on Saturday, Aug. 19 at the Williston Basin International Airport! Gates open at 7 a.m. followed by the airshow at 11 a.m. Enjoy local food vendors, static exhibits, airplane rides for purchase, and world-renowned airshow performers including Minot's very own Kent Pietsch, The Misty Blues All Woman Skydiving Team, and a beautifully restored

"We expect the airshow to attract about 4,000 spectators," said Williston Airport Director Anthony Dudas. "This will be a family-friendly aviation event that showcases world famous performers. our airport, and area vendors. We can't wait to see you at the airshow!"

General admission to the airshow is \$25 per adult at the gate. Premium seating is also available for purchase. Additionally, there are corporate partnership opportunities available for companies and organiza-

This year, the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast Fly-In will return from 7 a.m.-9 a.m. (pilots get into the event free when they fly-in). The free breakfast will be available to airshow guests while supply lasts.

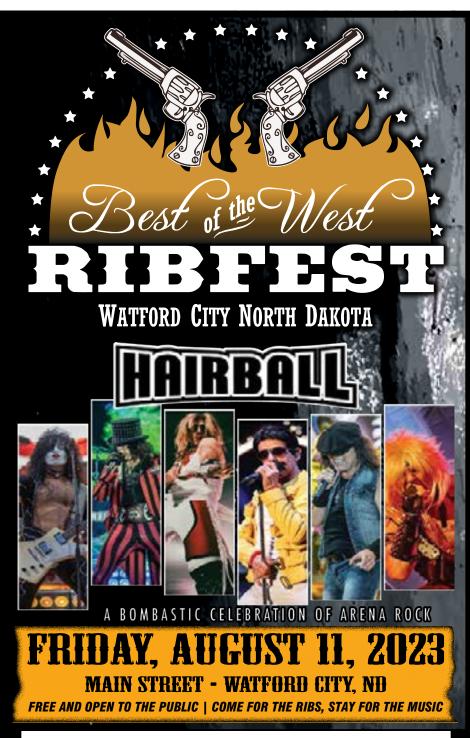
The skies will come alive at 11 a.m.! Sydney Helgeson, Miss North Dakota 2023, will kick off the airshow with her rendition of

the National Anthem.

"We are so excited about the high level of performers we have scheduled for the 2023 airshow," said Dudas. "There is something for everyone, from aerobatic stunts to parachuting."

· Airshow Tickets: General admission and premium seating tickets are available for purchase online. To purchase general admission tickets, visit https://www. eventsprout.com/event/ wbas-nd-23?ig=13908. To reserve premium seating tickets, visit https://www. eventsprout.com/event/ wbas-nd-23?ig=13909. Premium seating tickets include catered food, a shaded tent, exclusive seating, and restrooms. Beverages will be available for purchase.







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