

The Roundup

PRSR STD
U.S.
POSTAGE
PAID
The Roundup
ECRWSS
Postal Customer

Phone (406) 433-3306
Fax (406) 433-4114
E-mail address:
info@roundupweb.com
www.roundupweb.com

Business Office:
Located at 111 West Main
Sidney, MT

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 1207
Sidney, MT 59270

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

Volume 47 • Number 7

Rough Rider Center Rec Show Scheduled For March 26-28

By Anna Dragseth

The Watford City Rough Rider Center will be hosting its annual Rec Show Friday, March 26, 3-8 p.m., Saturday, March 27, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., and Sunday, March 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. This three-day event will feature vendors with products ranging from fishing tackle, hunting accessories, boats, RVs, ATVs, and much more. Admission is \$5 per person.

Kylee Roff, RRC Business Development Manager, is excited to have the opportunity to put on this event. "Getting back to somewhat normal is very exciting."

"Our inaugural show was in 2019 where we sold out our

space. For the 2020 show, we doubled the size but ended up having to cancel due to COVID-19. We will also be using twice as much space as we did in 2019 for the event this year," said Roff.

The goal for the event is to get the community into the facility to enjoy the activities they offer. This event gives attendees the opportunity to explore the different outdoor recreational activities that are such a big part of so many people's lives in the spring, summer and fall.

"As with all of our events, the Rough Rider Center is the perfect venue for social distance for any event or activity

we have. The facility is large and spacious giving ample social distancing opportunities, should that be a concern for anyone. Our goal is for every customer to have a quality experience," added Roff.

Exhibit space is available for Rec vendors - to register for exhibit space return a registration form to Kylee at kyleer@roughridercenter.com or by mail with payment enclosed to Rough Rider Center, PO Box 1739, Watford City, ND 58854.

Closure Of Lewis And Clark Station Poses Negative Impacts To The Community

By Anna Dragseth

As a part of the Montana-Dakota Utilities' Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), the Lewis and Clark Station will be retiring on March 31. The closure of this station is expected to have a big impact on the community of Sidney and surrounding areas.

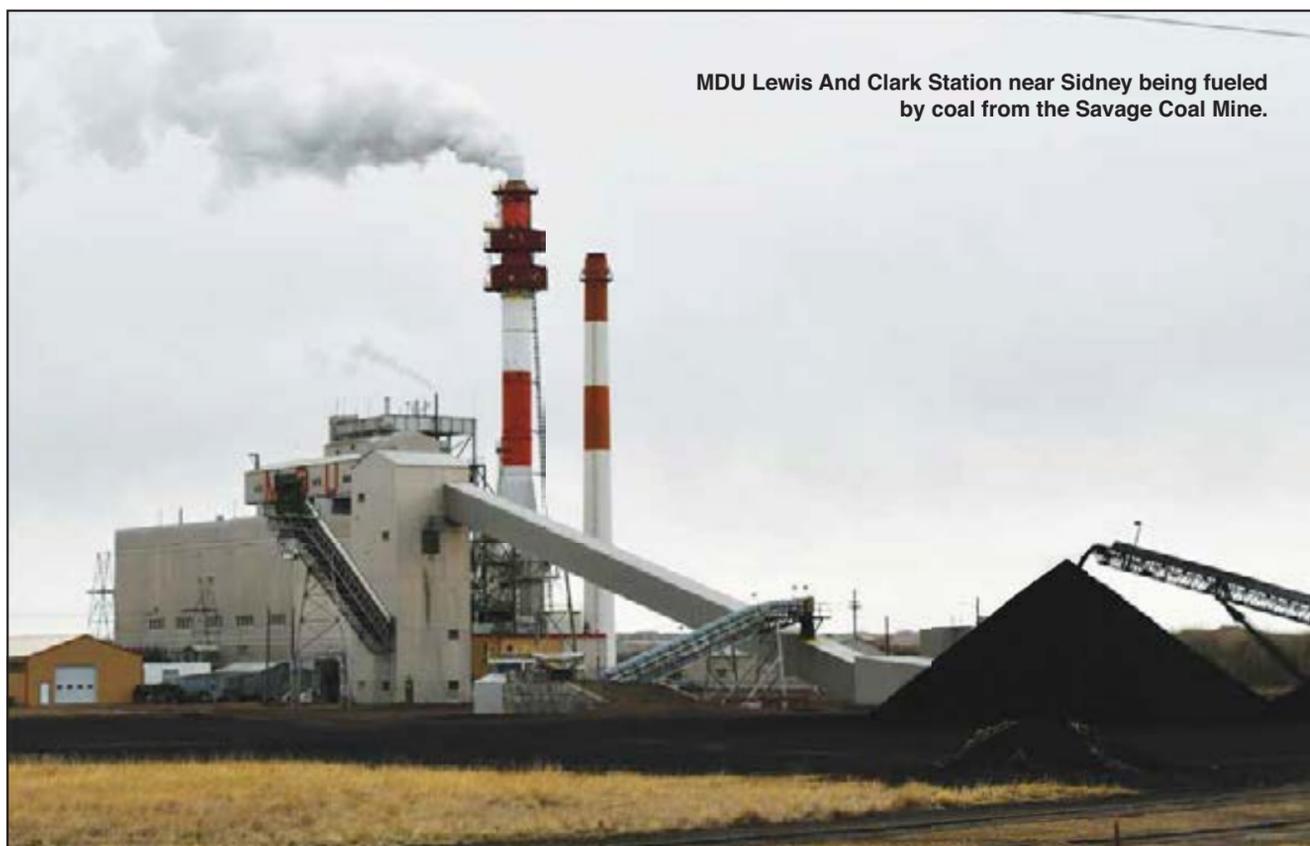
"It will have a trickle-down effect - when the Lewis and Clark Station closes down, the coal mine in Savage might have to close down, which will affect the Savage school and our sugar beet factory," stated Representative Brandon Ler (R-Savage).

The Lewis and Clark Station has been in operation since 1958 and employs about 30 workers. This 50.0-megawatt (MW) lignite coal-fired power station helps keep Westmoreland Savage Mining LLC running, which in turn helps operate the Sidney Sugars Inc. factory.

The Westmoreland coal mine produces 350,000 tons of coal annually and employs 10 full-time employees and the coal that is mined out of the mine is all delivered by Norby Trucking.

"We have tried several different avenues to stop the closure of the station, but we have not been able to make a deal - I am worried about the future effects this will have locally," said Ler.

"There have been several attempts to try and stop the station from closing. Many people and companies have tried to do what they can to stop this chain of domino effects from happening and as you can see nothing is slowing this momentum and it's not from lack of trying," said Leslie



MDU Lewis And Clark Station near Sidney being fueled by coal from the Savage Coal Mine.

Messer, Richland Economic Development Corp. executive director.

MDU decided to retire this station due to the high costs associated with the operation of the plant and the negative effects it has on the environment.

According to www.montana-dakota.com, the company will be utilizing other low-cost power available on the market, due to low-cost natural gas and increasing wind resources.

MDU's IRP is used to determine the best value resource plan for its customers. The IRP process includes four areas: Load

forecasting, supply-side analysis, demand-side analysis, and integration and risk analysis. A summary of the 2019 IRP study results can be found on www.montana-dakota.com.

Even though the closure of the station decreases the costs for MDU customers, it poses a large amount of negative effects on the community members of Sidney and surrounding areas.

Messer has been a part of the community her whole life and says that it is "heart wrenching" to see the closure of the station. She said, "There are days when I wish I had a magic wand, and I

could make things work out so that it could remain both profitable and safe for the environment."

Messer explained, "The obvious devastating effects are the jobs that will be lost, the school district, the libraries, the roads, as well as the parks, but more than that it's the way of life and the sustainability that's lost forever by these families. In essence, all of that makes that plant completely priceless to us, so it's just been so beyond devastating to watch this happen and still make all these efforts to change it."

Man Sought in Connection to Richland Co. Shooting

On March 20 at about 2:40 a.m., Richland County Law Enforcement was advised of a 38-year-old male being treated at Sidney Health Center for gunshot injuries. It was learned at the hospital by speaking with the victim, that the incident occurred at a residence near County Roads 350 and 126 north of Sidney, during an argument between the victim and another male in the outside area of the residence with other witnesses present. The victim, who received serious injuries, but it is not believed to be life threatening, was transported to another treatment facility by air ambulance. With the information developed by speaking with the victim and a witness the Richland County Sheriff's Office secured the residence and outer area of the property were searched on the early morning hours of March 20 by the Sheriff's Office. The suspect was not found at the area of the search and it is believed may have left shortly after the incident had occurred.

With the information received during the investigation the Sheriff's Office applied and received an arrest warrant for 31-year-old, Johnathan Carl Lee James, charging him with aggravated assault and assault with a weapon. It is believed that he may have left in a 2012 silver-colored Chevrolet Silverado pickup with unknown plates. The pickup was described to be a 4 door, lifted with big tires, and painted black stripes. A 25-year-old witness by the name of Rachelle Marie Burgess is believed to have left in the vehicle with the suspect. Burgess has prior misdemeanor warrants for her arrest currently. There is no information currently the suspect is a threat to the public, the firearm believed to have been used was found during the search of the property. Due to the seriousness of this crime, do not approach this suspect if you have information or have contact with him or the witness please contact the Richland County Sheriff's Office or your local law enforcement.

Sheriff John Dynneson would like to thank the Montana Highway Patrol and Sidney Police Department for their assistance in the investigation into this matter.



Johnathan Carl Lee James

Governor Gianforte: COVID-19 Vaccine Open To All Montanans On April 1

Submitted by Brooke Stroyke, Office of the Governor

Helena - At a news conference, Governor Greg Gianforte announced that COVID-19 vaccines will be available to all Montanans beginning April 1, 2021.

"A few months ago, projections estimated Montanans 16 and older would be eligible for the vaccine as late as mid-July. Today, I'm pleased to announce that we're moving up that timeline. All Montanans 16 and older will be eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine on April 1," Gianforte said.

"I look forward to getting the vaccine when my name is called, and I encourage all Montanans to consider doing the same. Getting one of these safe, effective vaccines will protect you, your loved ones, and your neighbors from this virus. It will help us get back to a more normal life," Gianforte said.

Gianforte added, "As more Montanans get the vaccine, we will begin to approach the time when we are no longer in a state of emergency and we can remove our masks and throw them in the trash."

Gianforte also addressed the principles guiding his administration's approach to distributing the vaccine.

"Improving Montana's response to this pandemic has been my top priority as your governor," Gianforte said. "We took a strictly data-driven approach to protect the most vulnerable, and it's saving lives."

On his second full day in office, Governor Gianforte changed the state's vaccine distribution plan to prioritize and protect Montanans most at-risk of complications from

COVID-19. Montana health care and seniors groups praised Gianforte's improvement of the state's vaccine distribution plan. About a week after the governor's changes, the federal government recommended similar modifications.

On Jan. 19, the state entered Phase 1B to vaccine Montanans 70 years of age and older, Montanans 16-69 years of age with severe underlying health conditions, and Native Americans and other persons of color at elevated risk of COVID-19. Montana's Phase 1B population accounts for 75% of deaths and 50% of hospitalizations from COVID-19 in Montana.

Earlier this month, Governor Gianforte announced the state would expand its efforts to protect the most vulnerable Montanans by entering Phase 1B+ of the state's vaccine distribution plan on March 8. In Phase 1B+, COVID-19 vaccines are available to Montanans 60 years of age and older and Montanans 16-59 years of age with additional qualifying medical conditions like asthma, cystic fibrosis, and liver disease. Montana's Phase 1B+ population accounts for nearly 90% of deaths and more than 70% of hospitalizations from COVID-19 in Montana.

To date, 367,211 doses have been administered in Montana, with more than 142,490 Montanans fully immunized.

Montanans interested in getting their COVID-19 vaccine are encouraged to visit covidvaccine.mt.gov to find information regarding COVID-19 vaccine availability and scheduling in their area.

REAL ESTATE FINANCING
For Home Purchases & Refinancing
Home Equity Loans Also Available



Janet Sergent
Real Estate Loan Officer
NMLS ID # 525727
www.richlandfcu.com



Richland
FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

201 W Holly St • Sidney, MT • 406-482-2704 | 18 E 2nd St • Culbertson, MT • 406-787-5890

Yellowstone Chiropractic Clinic
(406)-433-4757 222 2nd Ave. SW
1-866-433-4757 Sidney, MT 59270



Dr. Ryan Laqua
Chiropractic Physician &
Certified Medical Examiner

• Sports Injuries • DOT Physicals
• Personal Injuries & Pain Conditions

Awakened Wellness LLC

- Health/Wellness education, products & testing
- Recharging PEMF deep tissue energy massages
- Private duty nursing: injections, wound care, medication management, blood draws, personal advocate and assistance with medical appointments, & wellness monitoring. Call to develop a personal plan to meet your needs.

Tanya Candee RN | Monday - Friday Flexible
406-290-8727 • www.awakenedwellnessllc.com
222 2nd Ave SW • Sidney, MT (Inside Yellowstone Chiropractic)

WEEKLY FRAUD TIP
BROUGHT TO YOU BY **Stockman Bank**

If you suspect ID theft has occurred, protect yourself as soon as possible.

Place a "Fraud Alert" on your credit reports

- Equifax: 1-800-525-6285
- Experian: 1-888-EXPERIAN
- TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289

- Close any accounts that have been tampered with or opened fraudulently.
- File a police report to help you with creditors who may want proof of the crime.
- Report the theft to the Federal Trade Commission.
 - Online: ftc.gov/idtheft
 - Phone: 1-877-ID-THEFT

Member FDIC | Equal Housing Lender

AREA RECOVERY GROUPS

MONDAYS:
12 p.m. — AA Monday Noon Group, Matthew House Office, 416 2nd St. NW, Sidney, MT.
1 p.m. - 3 p.m. — Grief Reovery Support group, First Lutheran Church music room, Watford City.
6 p.m. — Al-Anon Family Group Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church Ed. bldg., 214 S. Lincoln Ave., Sidney, MT.
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.

TUESDAYS:
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, MT.
7:30 p.m. — Al-Anon Meeting, Presbyterian Church, 316 4th Ave. NE, Watford City, ND.
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.

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

SATURDAYS:
7 p.m. — Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.
7 p.m. — AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance.
7 p.m. — AA 24 group meeting, Northern Pump & Compression, Watford City. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

SUNDAYS:
7 p.m. — Live Free Narcotics Anonymous, Church of God., 814 6th St. NE, Sidney, MT.
7 p.m. — AA Welcome Home Group, Sunny's Family Restaurant, 102 E. Main St., Sidney, MT, Central Avenue Entrance.

STATISTICS

LAKE WATER LEVEL REPORT
Sakakawea

Current Elevation	1836.8
Last Week's Elev.	1836.8
One Year Ago	1839.4
Release For Day (C.F.S.)	18,000

SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
March 15	43	33	0.000
March 16	37	26	0.049
March 17	45	11	0.001
March 18	56	10	0.000
March 19	71	23	0.000
March 20	59	33	0.001
March 21	53	22	0.000
Total 2021 YTD Precipitation			0.352

OBITUARIES

Ann Fisher, 105 Sidney, MT

Funeral services for Ann Fisher, 105, Sidney, MT, are at 10 a.m., Thursday, March 25, 2021 at Ebenezer Congregational Church, Sidney, MT, with Pastor David Meehan officiating.

Interment will be in Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT, under the care of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT. Remembrances, condolences and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Ann passed away early Friday morning, March 19, 2021, at Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT.

Richland County Health Department COVID-19 Vaccine Waiting List

The Richland County Health Department is collecting names and phone numbers for those interested in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.

What to know:

- If interested, your name will be added to our waiting list and you will be called to schedule an appointment at a scheduled clinic. Allow 2-3 weeks. Thank you for your patience.
- The Moderna vaccine provided by the Richland County Health Department is only approved for ages 18 and over, and is a 2-dose series. RCHD will provide both doses.
- Vaccine is available by appointment only and subject to vaccine availability.

How to sign up:

Call the Health Department at 406-433-6947 and leave your name and phone number.

Montana Joins Multistate Lawsuit Challenging Biden's Revocation Of Keystone XL Permit

By Amanda Eggert, Montana Free Press

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton and Montana Attorney General Austin Knudsen are the lead plaintiffs on the complaint, which argues that Biden unlawfully changed energy policy set by Congress.

Twenty-one attorneys general filed a lawsuit this week in an effort to reverse President Joe Biden's revocation of the trans-border permit for the Keystone XL pipeline.

The lawsuit is the latest in a series of moves by Montana's elected officials aimed at reauthorizing the beleaguered project, which was designed to move 830,000 barrels of crude oil daily from the Alberta tar sands to the Gulf Coast. Gov. Greg Gianforte and all three members of Montana's federal delegation have sent letters to Biden in the last two months urging him to change course.

The states' lawsuit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas. Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton and Montana Attorney General Austin Knudsen are the lead plaintiffs on the complaint, which argues that Biden unlawfully changed energy policy set by Congress.

"The power to regulate foreign and interstate commerce belongs to Congress — not the President," Knudsen said in a press release about the lawsuit. "This is another example of Joe Biden overstepping his constitutional role to the detriment of Montanans."

The release describes Biden's revocation of the trans-border permit as "contrary to law and an affront to the Constitution's separation of powers."

The presidential permit Biden pulled was issued in 2017 by former President Donald Trump. Biden issued an executive order to revoke the permit on Jan. 20, on the grounds that the pipeline "disserves the U.S. national interest" and that the project is inconsistent with his administration's economic and climate goals.

The pipeline has experienced many changes in fortune, both regulatory and legal, since it was first proposed more than a dozen years ago. About eight pages of the states' 46-page complaint outlines the project's journey through various courts and federal and state governments.

Knudsen has been working to revive the project through the courts for at least a month. On Feb. 9, he and 14 other attorneys general sent a letter to Biden indicating that they were seeking a legal avenue to overturn Biden's executive order.

"Please be aware that the states are reviewing available legal options to protect our residents and sovereign interests. In the meantime, we urge you to reconsider your decision to impose crippling economic injuries on states, communities, families, and workers across the country," the letter said.

Montana's U.S. senators have been working angles to reauthorize the pipelines in recent weeks as well. Republican Sen. Steve Daines introduced S. 171, the Keystone XL Pipeline Construction and Jobs Preservation Act, on Feb. 2.

Two weeks ago, Democratic Sen. Jon Tester introduced an amendment to the huge coronavirus relief bill that sought to reverse Biden's decision. The amendment did not pass.

After its failure, Tester signed on to Daines' measure, which has yet to be assigned a hearing date. Tester is the only Democrat co-sponsoring the bill alongside 17 Republicans.

Daines cheered the suit brought by the states in a March 17 statement about the move. "President Biden decided to ignore science, ignore our rural communities and instead side with environmental activists and shut down construction on the Keystone XL pipeline," he said. "I'm glad to stand with Attorney General Knudsen in support of the Keystone XL pipeline and thankful for his leadership to protect Montana communities and jobs."

In a tweet about the lawsuit, Montana U.S. Rep. Matt Rosendale said, "This is part of the full court press by many of us in the state to keep this critical source of jobs alive."

Gianforte also tweeted about the suit: "I continue to call on @POTUS to reverse his costly, reckless decision to shut down the Keystone XL pipeline."



EVENTS
SEND US YOUR EVENTS!
THE ROUNDUP: PO Box 1207 • 111 West Main • Sidney, MT
406-433-3306 • Fax: 406-433-4114 • Email: classads@esidney.com

RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone. Wed., March 24

10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **History of Sidney Sugars** - Look for artifacts and a slide show just inside the front doors in the lobby area. - **2021 Youth Art Show** - Showing through April 24. - **Cataclysm Exhibition** - Showing through May 29. - MonDak Heritage Center, Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. For more information call 406-433-3500, e-mail mdhc@richland.org or visit https://mondakheritagecenter.org/.

6-8 p.m. - **Paint & Sip** - Paint with Miss Penny's Creations benefiting the Eastern MT Out of the Darkness Experience. \$25 to paint with 50% donated to the walk. Tap House Bar & Grill. For more information contact Penny Filler, 406-973-1410.

Fri., March 26

4-7 p.m. - **Richland County Right To Life Easter Bake Sale** - St. Matthew's Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE, use 4th Ave. entrance. Baked goods accepted the afternoon of the bake sale from 3-4 p.m. One half of the proceeds will go to Sunrise Womens Clinic. For more information contact Teresa, 798-3464; Diana, 798-3429 or Tara, 488-6274. In event of cancellation see Richland County Right to Life Facebook page.

5-7 p.m. - **Sidney Knights of Columbus 2021 Fish Fry** - \$10 per person, Ned Shinnick Hall, St. Matthew's Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE. All COVID-19 guidelines will be followed and mask or face covering use required for ages five and older.

Sat., March 27

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. - **Reynolds Market Easter Activities** - Photos with the Easter Bunny, bring your camera. Easter egg roundup, on the grass 11 a.m., ages 1 to 8, prizes awarded. Giant Easter stocking giveaway, register in store, drawing April 1

5 p.m. - **Dick Davidson Medical Benefit** - Silent auction, 5-7 p.m.; free will donation meatball supper, 6 p.m.; live auction, 7 p.m.; cash bar. Richland County Event Center. For more information contact Travis Morrill, 406-480-9514. To make a donation for the silent or live auction contact Sheila Marker, 406-480-3442. If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation an account is set up at Stockman Bank under "Dick Davidson Benefit". All proceeds will be used for medical expenses and supplies to aid in Dick's recovery.

Sun., March 28

2 p.m. - **Palm Sunday Procession** - Commemorating the beginning of Holy Week - The walk begins at Reese & Rays IGA parking lot and will proceed to St. Matthews Parish Center. Afterwards there will be a free will donation light lunch. All are welcome to participate. For more information call Sr. Rita, 406-480-0669 or Sr. Regina, 406-480-4562.

Sat., April 3 & 17

10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Open Studio Saturdays** - All participants must make an appointment call 406-433-3500 or email mdhc@richland.org. Adults 18+ years old only, masks required, other restrictions apply. Take home an Art to go Kit for your little ones. MonDak Heritage Center. If you are unable to make it during open studio hours set up an appointment with Jessica, 406-433-3500. For more information e-mail mdhc@richland.org or visit https://mondakheritagecenter.org/.

Mon., April 5, 19, May 3

6:30-8 p.m. - **Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) Meetings** - Open to all Moms with school aged children and younger. Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church, 1101 Madison Lane. No childcare provided. For more information call Stacy Abar, 406-672-1463.

Tues., April 6

6 p.m. - **Richland Youth Hockey Annual Meeting and Election of Officers** - Ranger Arena.

Mon., April 12 & 26

7 p.m. - **Snacks & Chats** - Anxiety & depression support group for teens ages 13-19. Board games, foosball, ping pong and treats. Meetings on 2nd and 4th Mondays each month, Pella Church, not church related.

McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone Thurs., March 25

5:30-7 p.m. - **Paint Pouring Coasters by Long X Art Foundation** - Learn how to make funky coasters for your home using this popular and fun paint pouring technique. \$30 for a set of 6 ceramic coasters. Rough Rider Center.

Thurs., March 25, April 1

2-4 p.m. - **Food Giveaway with New Winter Hours** - First Presbyterian Church, 316 4th Ave. NE.

4-5 p.m. - **After School Art 3rd-6th by Long X Arts Foundation** - Children will take home a different art project every day! \$15 a class. Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway. COVID-19 guidelines will be followed. For more information call Jessie, 701-770-8659 or email longxart@gmail.com.

Fri., March 26

6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Long X Arts Foundation: Watercolor Stationary Cards** - Practice the art of watercolor and crate four beautiful note cards to keep or give away! Note cards come with envelopes and ribbon to wrap them. No experience necessary, all ages welcome, \$20 per person, Rough Rider Center. For more information contact Jessie Scofield, 701-770-8659.

Fri., March 26, 3-8 p.m.; Sat., March 27, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sun., March 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Rec Show 2021 - Side-by-side's, boats, Harley's, ATVs, RVs and more. \$5 admission, Rough Rider Center.

Tues., March 30

4-5 p.m. - **After School Art-K-2nd by Long X Arts Foundation** - Children will take home a different art project every day! \$15 a class. Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway. COVID-19 guidelines will be followed. For more information call Jessie, 701-770-8659 or email longxart@gmail.com.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone. Sat., March 27

3-11 p.m. - **40th Annual API Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser** - Doors open to the public, 3 p.m.; live music by Judd Hoos, 4 p.m.; chili served, 5 p.m. Raymond Family Community Center.

4:30 p.m. - **Sportsmen's Banquet presented by United Sportsmen, Williston, ND** - Social Hour, 4:30 p.m.; Banquet, 7 p.m. Prizes will be awarded and drawings held. Multi-Purpose Building, Upper Missouri Valley Fairgrounds. For more information call Andrew, 770-5336 or Mike, 570-0312.

Wed., March 31

11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 4-6 p.m. - **Community Egg Hunt** - Egg hunt for "PEEPS" of all ages. Family-friendly socially distanced event, Davidson Park across from Williston Community Library. Masks are encouraged.

Sat., April 10

10 a.m. - **Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention 5K Event** - Community gathering to raise awareness and spark conversation about the prevalence of sexual assault and relationship violence. Registration \$15, 10 a.m.; run/walk event, 11 a.m.; meal and speakers, noon; yoga and sound bath, 1 p.m.; Spring Lake Park. For more information contact lacey.choicerecovery@gmail.com.

DAWSON COUNTY

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. CT Zone Sat., March 27 - (New Date Due To Schedule Conflict)

12-5 p.m. MDT - **Badlands D&D March Game** - Free, Glendive Masonic Lodge #31.

Thurs., April 1

6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Glendive WordPress Meetup** - Anyone interested in WordPress or websites welcome. Free event. Beginner topics and expert tips for managing your WordPress site! Mid-Rivers Communications, Service Center, 213 W. Benham St., come in the back door and go up the stairs, elevator available. Bring your own screw-top drinks.

Future Farm Policy, Economics Focus Of March 25 Ag Research Summit Webinar

Submitted by Beth Redlin

What can producers expect as the economy recovers from COVID-19 and discussion begins on innovative agricultural policies leading up to a new farm bill? What about existing risk management tools? What support can producers expect in the next few years?

Montana State University Ag Economist Dr. Vincent Smith, an internationally recognized expert on agricultural and international trade policy, shares his considerable insight into these questions in the final webinar of the 2021 MonDak Ag Research Summit Series to be held, Thursday, March 25 beginning at 10 a.m. MT/11 a.m. CT. Dr. Smith's keynote presentation is entitled "Whither agricultural policy in 2023 and beyond."

In his talk, Dr. Smith will focus on the new administration and the new congress and their discussions of a wide range of agricultural policy innovations, many of which are focused on climate change mitigation. At the same time many farm groups seek to sustain funding for long standing programs such as federal crop insurance and a range of income and price support initiatives. In the context of the current financial state of the farm economy and the federal budget deficit, Dr. Smith will discuss the agricultural policy opportunities and challenges, as they are likely to evolve over the next four years.

Smith is MSU professor of economics in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Economics and MSU co-director of the MSU Initiative for Regulation and Applied Economic Analysis. His current research program examines agricultural trade and domestic policy issues, with a particular focus on agricultural domestic and trade policy, risk management, agricultural science policy, and domestic and world commodity markets.

In addition to the broad perspective provided by Dr. Smith, local elevator manager Gordon Holt will discuss the plans his company, EGT,



Vincent Smith

has for the MonDak region following purchase of the old Anheuser Busch/InBev malting barley facilities, Sidney. His presentation is entitled "Soybean Marketing in the Mondak Region," and in it he will discuss EGT's entrance into the MonDak grain growing region.

"I will touch on our origin and grain marketing capabilities from our facility in Sidney all the way to the export market at our terminal in Longview, WA," Holt said. "I will also touch on a variety of topics from historical price trends in soybeans in our area to the potential of a new regular rotational and/or primary crop for our area producers."

Holt, a recent arrival to the MonDak, grew up in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains of Georgia on a cattle, poultry and hay farm, before attending Montana State University where he obtained his degree in Agricultural Business. He subsequently began his career in the grain industry and currently manages EGT's elevator, Sidney.

There will be opportunities to ask questions of both speakers during the live webinar, which concludes at 11:30 a.m. MT/12:30 p.m. CT. All interested persons are invited to participate and anyone can join the day of the event by using the following (Zoom program) link: <https://nds.zoom.us/j/91453448686>. No registration is needed to participate.

The MonDak Ag Research Summit is coordinated by MSU's Eastern Agricultural Research Center; USDA ARS's Northern Plains Agricultural Research Lab, both in Sidney, and NDSU's Williston Research Extension Center, Williston. Normally a one-day, in-person event, this year's MonDak Ag Research Summit was moved online due to COVID-19.

Organizers plan to return to an in-person event next winter. In the meantime recordings of all six webinars in the 2021 series can be



Gordon Holt

found at www.ars.usda.gov/pa/npa/agsummit.

For questions or more information on this series, contact Beth Redlin, 406-433-9427; beth.redlin@usda.gov, or Violeta Hobbs, 701-774-4315; Violeta.hobbs@ndsu.edu or visit our website listed above.

New! WEBINAR SERIES



DICK DAVIDSON

MEDICAL BENEFIT | SILENT & LIVE AUCTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

RICHLAND CO. FAIR EVENT CENTER

5:00-7:00pm SILENT AUCTION
6:00pm MEATBALL SUPPER
7:00pm LIVE AUCTION

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT WILL BE USED FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES AND SUPPLIES TO AID IN DICK'S RECOVERY.

General Information & Questions: Travis Morrill 406-480-9514

Donations to the Live or Silent Auction: Sheila Marker 406-480-3442

For those who cannot attend: An account is set up at Stockman Bank under "Dick Davidson Benefit" or mail to P.O. Box 824, Sidney.

ROUGH RIDER CENTER

Rec SHOW 2021

March 26 - 28

Friday 3 PM - 8 PM
Saturday 10 AM - 7 PM
Sunday 11 AM - 4 PM

Additional Vendors Featured:

- Pro Tackle
- Wraptor Tackle Roll
- Team Lodge
- Border States Fish & Fur
- Little Missouri Archery

Join us for the Annual Rough Rider Center Rec Show!

\$5 Admission

Rough Rider Center
2209 Wolves Den Parkway Watford City, ND 58854
(701) 842-3665
info@roughridercenter.com

Richey Public Schools Honor Roll 3rd Quarter

"A" Honor Roll

- 5th Grade: Cameron Keller; Izak Veverka
- 7th Grade: Lina Smith; Jacqueline Barnhart; Adilyn Elverud
- 8th Grade: Erin Kelly; Daniel Reitz; Kally Strohm; Quintin Bieri
- 9th Grade: Ryan Eggert; Kiera Strohm
- 10th Grade: Joshua Sponheim; Matthew Ellerton; Mataya Veverka; Robin James; Nathan Senner
- 11th Grade: Ella Robbins; Jacob Smith; Shawna Eggert; Jaylyn Klempel; Nevin Kelly
- 12th Grade: Nicholas Ellerton; Isabelle Fatzinger; Laurel Sponheim; Caleb Senner; Samuel Smith; Toby Clinton

"B" Honor Roll

- 5th Grade: Olivia Winhofer; Travis Batchelor
- 6th Grade: Jolee Klempel; Jade Robbins; Tanner Goosen
- 7th Grade: Jade Batchelor
- 8th Grade: Gus Klempel; Austin Veverka; James Head
- 9th Grade: Taylor Goosen
- 10th Grade: Layne Meek
- 12th Grade: Micah Buller; Jayden Goosen; Wyatt Robbins

Farm Retirement AUCTION

OPENS: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24
CLOSES: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31 | 10AM



PREVIEW: Wednesday, March 24 - Wednesday, March 31 from 8AM - 5PM
LOADOUT: Wednesday, March 31 - Saturday, April 10 from 8AM - 5PM

INCLUDES: Tractor Tractors, MFWD & 2WD Tractors, Harvest Equipment, Header Trailers, Grain Cart, Planter, Air Drill, Tillage Equipment, Row Crop Equipment, Semi Tractors, Pickups, End Dump Trailers, Detach & Car Trailers, Sprayer, Nurse & Sprayer Trailers, & Fertilizer Tanks, Seed Tender, Grain Handling Equipment, Excavator, Scrapers, Blade & Laser Trailer, Skid Steer Loader, Other Equipment, UTV & Airboat, Lawn & Garden, Fuel Tanks

SteffesGroup.com

Steffes Group, Inc., 2000 Main Ave East, West Fargo, ND

TERRY GUTTORMSON

contact Brad Olstad at Steffes Group, 701.237.9173 or 701.238.0240

All items sold as is where is. Payment of cash or check must be made sale day before removal of items. Statements made auction day take precedence over all advertising. \$35 documentation fee applies to all titled vehicles. Titles will be mailed. Canadian buyers need a bank letter of credit to facilitate border transfer. Brad Olstad MN14-70



CARES Act Funding Fosters Dementia Care, Addresses Isolation

Alzheimer's Association partners with Montana Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program (MGWEP) and senior living communities to enhance use of virtual technology, mitigate social isolation and strengthen caregiver skills and resources

Billings - The Alzheimer's Association announced the Montana Project VITAL (Virtual Inclusive Technology for All) in partnership with the Montana Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program (MGWEP). This project utilizes virtual technology to relieve the challenging symptoms of social isolation for residents in nursing homes, assisted living and memory care communities.

With one-time funding from the CARES Act, the Montana Project VITAL allowed for placement of ten iN2L tablets in six senior living communities statewide to help bring families together virtually, enhance engagement and mitigate feelings of social isolation. Additionally, the funding strengthened caregiver skills and resources by supporting virtual education programs.

"The Montana Project VITAL utilizes personalized communication tools such as video call connections and online support tools to help staff assist residents in connecting with their loved ones during these challenging times," said Whitney Thompson, Alzheimer's Association, Montana Chapter program director.

The tablets are preloaded with software programming from iN2L, enabling residents to connect with their loved ones via video chat. The tablets further foster connection with family by creating individual profiles for every resident, with the added ability for family to add personal photos and videos to those profiles for residents to view whenever they like.

"Our residents enjoy the various photos and videos on the tablets that prompt memories. It encourages meaningful conversations of fond recollections," said Marlena Azure, community relations coordinator, Highgate at Great Falls.

The iN2L tablets include videos of national and international destinations, allowing residents to virtually visit locations near and far. "They really enjoy the virtual tours," said Julia Van Houdt, life enhancement coordinator, Highgate of Bozeman, "As soon as one ends, they ask 'where are we going next?'" Van Houdt noted the tablets are an important way to engage those who cannot or prefer not to take part in group activities. Other senior living communities taking part in the pilot project include: Beehive Homes, Hamilton, Edgewood Senior Living, Helena, The Springs at Butte and



The Springs at Whitefish.

Project VITAL was initially piloted in Florida earlier in the pandemic in partnership with iN2L and created under guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding infection control and prevention of COVID-19 in facilities for the health and safety of all residents. "By adopting a program already proven successful in Florida, we were able to leverage a small amount of CARES Act funding to create meaningful engagement outcomes using customized technology and resources," said Lynn Mullenoway Cabrera, Alzheimer's Association, Montana Chapter executive director.

The project also features expanded virtual education opportunities for family members and caregivers including COVID-19 and Caregiving and the Association's Living with Alzheimer's disease series, developed for caregivers through every stage of the disease. Other topics include 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia, Effective Communication Strategies, Understanding and Responding to Dementia Related Behaviors and more.

Additional resources for caregivers and the community include the Alzheimer's Association Community Resource Finder, ALZConnected, a virtual support community, and Alzheimer's Navigator, an online tool to develop customized action plans. For more information, please contact the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900 or email montana@alz.org.

Featured virtual education opportunity

Effective Communication Strategies, open to the public on Tuesday, March 23, 5-6 p.m. This free program teaches caregivers to decode the verbal and behavioral communication of someone who has Alzheimer's and another dementia. Attendees will learn the importance of creating meaningful connections through every stage of the disease. Register at alz.org/crf or call 800-272-3900.

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL ELEMENTARY DISTRICT #13 RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO IMPOSE AN INCREASE IN LEVIES

Senate Bill 307 (SB307), mandates the Fairview School Board of Trustees estimate possible permissive levies that may be utilized in August. As an essential part of its budgeting process, the Fairview School is authorized by law to impose permissive levies to support its budget in Richland County Elementary District #13. The Fairview School Board of Trustees *estimates* the following increases/decreases in revenues and mills for the funds noted below for the next school fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 using certified taxable valuations from 2020 (the current fiscal year) as provided to the District by the Montana Department of Revenue:

FUND SUPPORTED	20-21 Est Revenue	21-22 Est Revenue	Increase (Dcr)	20-21 Mills	EST 21-22 Mills	EST Increase (Dcr)
Transportation	\$ 51,944.00	\$ 51,944.00	\$ 0.00	46.37	46.37	0
Bus Depreciation	\$ 61,287.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 13,713.00	8.59	9.68	1.09
Tuition	\$ 82,459.00	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 2,541.00	11.56	11.91	0.35
Building Reserve	\$ 22,246.00	\$ 34,600.00	\$ 12,354.00	3.12	4.85	1.73
TOTAL	\$242,000.00	\$ 217,937.00	\$ 28,608.00	69.64	72.81	3.17

Budgeted Oil & Gas Revenue in these funds will be used to lower or replace a mill levy.

FUND SUPPORTED	Estimated Mills Increase (Decrease)	Estimated Impact on \$100,000 Home *	Estimated Impact on \$200,000 Home *
Transportation	0	\$62.60	\$125.19
Bus Depreciation	1.09	\$13.06	\$26.13
Tuition	0.35	\$16.08	\$32.16
Building Reserve	1.73	\$6.55	\$13.09
TOTAL	3.17	\$98.29	\$196.58

*These impacts are based on ESTIMATED mills using current (2020) certified taxable valuations provided by the Montana Department of Revenue (MDOR) for the current school year.

At this time the amount shown on the resolution are estimates only, required under provision of SB307. Accurate numbers for ending fund balance, reserves and appropriation, all of which affect permissive tax levy revenues, are not known until after the fiscal year end books are closed, which is after June 30. Taxable value for the FY22 budgets, which is used to calculate the number of mills needed to generate the tax levy revenue, is not received from the Department of Revenue until August 1.

REGARDING ESTIMATED INCREASES IN THE BUILDING RESERVE LEVY REFERENCED ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL FACILITY MAINTENANCE PROJECTS ARE ANTICIPATED TO BE COMPLETED AT THIS TIME:

- Improve School Security
- Improve Infrastructure

Yurt Would Offer Camping Alternative At Makoshika State Park

Glendive - The tipi at Makoshika State Park near Glendive is a popular place for visitors to camp, and soon the park may add a yurt to its lodging options.

A yurt is a round, tent-like structure once used as a portable home by ancient nomadic tribes in Central Asia, particularly Mongolia. Nowadays, yurts have evolved into a popular, upscale camping option, boasting furnishings and other amenities.

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks is proposing to build a 20-foot diameter yurt at Makoshika. If approved, the yurt will be built in an existing campsite in a rustic setting. FWP wants to provide a high-quality camping option with a great view of the park's unique badlands formations. A 30-foot trail will connect the yurt to a parking area and latrine. The structure is expected to attract a new demographic of campers and increase campsite revenue.

"Our tipi is booked every night during peak season, and the yurt experience will give campers another fantastic alternative camping experience in the park," said Makoshika State Park Manager Chris Dantic.

Yurts may appeal to people who do not have the ability or gear to sleep on the ground in a tent. They also fall into the "glamping" – short for glamorous camping – movement for people who are looking for more amenities and services than traditional camping offers.

The yurt will have windows and a door, along with an eight-foot deck with railing. Furnishing plans are not finalized, but the park is looking at a queen bunk bed, a pull out couch and a small table with chairs. If the budget allows for ample solar power, a microwave may be included.

The Montana State Parks Foundation for the yurt project secured a \$25,000 grant. The foundation also provided \$5,000 and FWP provided \$5,000. If the project is approved, construction may begin in April and be completed in May.

FWP has completed an Environmental Assessment of the project and is seeking public comment. The EA can be viewed on the FWP website at <https://fwp.mt.gov/public-notices/news/2021/mar/0302-makoshika-yurt-ea>. Written comments will be accepted through March 23, and can be mailed or emailed to: Brian Burky, Region 7 Parks Manager, PO Box 1630, Miles City, MT 59301; Brian.Burky@mt.gov.

Makoshika State Park is Montana's largest state park with a total of 11,501 acres. In 2020, Makoshika received 128,288 visitors. The park has many amenities including a campground, visitor center, 11 designated trails, pavilion, archery area, 200-seat amphitheater and a PDGA disc golf course. In 2017, the public as USA Today's number-one attraction in the state of Montana voted Makoshika State Park. Fossils from nine species of dinosaurs have been found in the park, and the visitor center has impressive fossil displays and a paleontology lab with visitor programs.

Signup For The Roundup

The Roundup offers free weekly mail delivery in Sidney. If you have a Sidney mailing address and currently do not receive The Roundup newspaper at home (and would like to) sign up today! Stop by 111 West Main, call 406-433-3306 or send your name and address to us at either classes@esidney.com or PO Box 1207, Sidney, MT 59270.



GET UP TO **\$70** IN PRE-PAID MASTERCARD WITH PURCHASE OF 4 SELECT TIRES FROM **Hankook** driving emotion
MARCH 19 - MAY 8, 2021



Straight Talk * Honest Service * Fair Prices
1601 SOUTH CENTRAL • SIDNEY, MONTANA
433-3858 • Open Mon-Fri: 7am - 5:30pm

Kallevig Retires From Stockman Bank; Whiteman Named Sidney Market President

Sidney - After more than 40 years of dedicated service to the community and Stockman Bank, Garth Kallevig will be retiring March 31.

Kallevig began working for Stockman Bank in 1981. His early years at the bank included capacities in customer service, real estate, and commercial lending. Kallevig then began his role as Sidney Market President in 2006.

A native of Sidney and long-time resident, Kallevig studied at the University of North Dakota-Williston and Montana State University. He has been active in many community organizations over the years including the likes of the Sidney Education Foundation, Cham-

ber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Boy Scouts and Dollars for Scholars. Kallevig also served as Sidney School Board Chairman.

In addition to Kallevig's retirement, Pam Burman, Consumer Loan Department Manager, and Deana Bauer, Administrative Assistant will both be retiring. Burman is an eastern Montana native and has been in banking for over 43 years, including 20 with Stockman. Bauer has been with Stockman for 37 years.

Wade Whiteman, current vice president, Ag Loan Department Manager, will take over as president of the Sidney market effective April 1. His new responsibilities as market president will include overseeing bank operations,

management and employee supervision, all lending activities, as well as oversee branch management in Plentywood.

"I have every confidence that Wade will do a great job with our amazing staff and team we have here at Stockman Bank," comments Kallevig. "With his experience here in Sidney along with background and positive leadership skills, he is and will be a great asset for our team and the Mon-Dak area for many years to come. Plus, growing up in eastern Montana, Wade knows and understands the unique lifestyle and traditions we enjoy"

Whiteman, an Eastern Montana native raised in Richey and a Montana

State Alum, has been with Stockman Bank since 2010. Whiteman has been actively involved in the community serving with the Richland County Conservation District, HealthWorks Board and MonDak Ag Days Committee.

Miles City rancher and businessman Wm. Nefsy established Stockman Bank

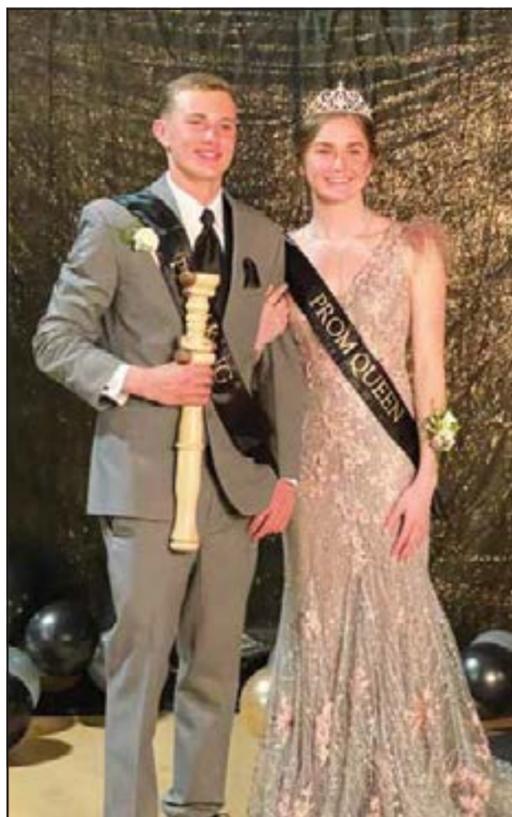
in 1953. Still headquartered in Miles City, the company continues to grow with 36 full-service banking locations throughout Montana. Stockman Bank has been committed to their customers for over 65 years and looks forward to continuing the Community Banking visions they were founded upon.



Garth Kallevig

Sidney Prom

The Sidney High School held their junior/senior prom on March 20 in the high school gym. The theme was Black & Gold. Post prom was held at the Richland County Events Center following the dance. Pictured right is Prom King Kaston LeRoy (left) and Prom Queen Taylor Stewart. Prom Prince was Wyatt Reid and Prom Princess was Chloe Go.



DPHHS Provides Update on COVID-19 Variants in Montana

State health agency continues to work with CDC on surveillance for variant strains

Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) officials has announced the state now has 19 total confirmed cases of COVID-19 virus variant strains.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) notified DPHHS late, March 16, and March 17 of 11 additional variant cases that match two California variant strains and a New York variant strain.

These cases involve specimens of Montana residents that were submitted for testing dating back from January to early March 2021. These 11 cases are from Beaverhead, Cascade, Glacier, Hill, Jefferson, Madison, Phillips, Roosevelt, Silver Bow, and Valley. When these samples were submitted for testing, CDC had not yet classified the California strains and New York strain.

These 11 cases are in addition to eight UK variant cases confirmed in Gallatin County residents. Three of the Gallatin cases were confirmed late yesterday as well.

The CDC has three separate classifications of COVID variants. The strains identified in Montana are consistent with strains identified across the United States. The three classifications are labeled as followed: variant of interest, variant of concern and variant of high consequence. Currently there are no variants that rise to the level of high consequence in the U.S.

"Montana continues to submit both random and suspect COVID-19 samples to the CDC for testing," DPHHS Director Adam Meier said. "As more surveillance and testing continues, it's not surprising to find more confirmed variant cases in Montana and the US. The information that is learned through identifying more variants will be vital going forward."

To date, nearly all states now have confirmed cases of at least one of the variant strains.

DPHHS has now posted a map online of confirmed variant strains in Montana.

Meier stressed the best thing Montanans can do to protect themselves from COVID-19, including the new variant strains, is to get vaccinated. He said it's important to continue to follow CDC guidance around wearing a mask for both vaccinated and non-vaccinated individuals.

Meier stated it's important to remain vigilant to limit the spread of COVID-19 because that is how the virus replicates and creates new variants. Montanans are encouraged to continue to practice basic public health prevention methods to keep case numbers low in Montana including: wearing a mask to protect yourself and others, practicing social distancing by staying six feet apart, staying home if you are sick, covering your cough, washing your hands often, and avoiding large crowds.

Montanans interested in getting their COVID-19 vaccine are encouraged to visit covidvaccine.mt.gov to find information regarding vaccine availability and scheduling in their area.

GAS OIL CHANGE
(includes multipoint inspection)
\$54.95*

DIESEL OIL CHANGE
(includes multipoint inspection)
\$84.95*

**Brake & Transmission Fluid change | Alignments | Tires
Windshields | Cabin Filters | Wiper Blades | Towing**

Gem City MOTORS

* See dealer for details. Coupon required.
703 S. CENTRAL • SIDNEY, MT | WWW.GEMCITYMOTORS.COM | 406-433-3120

EXCELLENT SELECTION OF QUALITY PRE-OWNED VEHICLES

Here's Just A Sample:

2005 Pontiac Montana Van	\$3,000
2011 Jeep Liberty 4X4	\$8,500
1995 Pontiac Grand Am	\$2,800
2007 Chrysler Town & Country Van...	\$3,500
1998 Pontiac Grand Am	\$2,800

Greg Magrum - Owner

Robert Lindquist - Sales

1820 2nd St W • Williston, ND | 701-572-0114 | Financing Available

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #3

RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO IMPOSE AN INCREASE IN LEVIES

Senate Bill 307 (SB307), mandates the Fairview School Board of Trustees estimate possible permissive levies that may be utilized in August. As an essential part of its budgeting process, the Fairview School is authorized by law to impose permissive levies to support its budget in Richland County High School District #3. The Fairview School Board of Trustees **estimates** the following increases/decreases in revenues and mills for the funds noted below for the next school fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 using certified taxable valuations from 2020 (the current fiscal year) as provided to the District by the Montana Department of Revenue:

FUND SUPPORTED	20-21 Est Revenue	21-22 Est Revenue	Increase (Dcr)	20-21 Mills	EST 21-22 Mills	EST Increase (Dcr)
Transportation	\$ 12,975.00	\$ 12,975.00	\$ 0.00	28.12	28.12	0
Bus Depreciation	\$ 69,741.00	\$ 78,446.00	\$ 8,705.00	8.46	9.52	1.06
Tuition	\$ 20,144.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 1,856.00	2.44	2.67	0.23
Adult Education	\$ 7,483.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 3,517.00	0.91	1.33	0.42
Building Reserve	\$ 11,198.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 3,802.00	1.36	1.82	0.46
TOTAL	\$121,541.00	\$ 139,421.00	\$ 17,880.00	41.29	43.46	2.17

Budgeted Oil & Gas Revenue in these funds will be used to lower or replace a mill levy.

FUND SUPPORTED	Estimated Mills Increase (Decrease)	Estimated Impact on \$100,000 Home *	Estimated Impact on \$200,000 Home *
Transportation	0	\$29.33	\$58.65
Bus Depreciation	1.06	\$12.85	\$25.70
Tuition	0.23	\$3.60	\$7.21
Adult Education	0.42	\$1.80	\$3.60
Building Reserve	0.46	\$2.46	\$4.91
TOTAL	2.17	\$50.04	\$100.08

*These impacts are based on ESTIMATED mills using current (2020) certified taxable valuations provided by the Montana Department of Revenue (MDOR) for the current school year.

At this time the amount shown on the resolution are estimates only, required under provision of SB307. Accurate numbers for ending fund balance, reserves and appropriation, all of which affect permissive tax levy revenues, are not known until after the fiscal year end books are closed, which is after June 30. Taxable value for the FY22 budgets, which is used to calculate the number of mills needed to generate the tax levy revenue, is not received from the Department of Revenue until August 1.

REGARDING ESTIMATED INCREASES IN THE BUILDING RESERVE LEVY REFERENCED ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL FACILITY MAINTENANCE PROJECTS ARE ANTICIPATED TO BE COMPLETED AT THIS TIME:

- Improve School Security
- Improve Infrastructure

The Roundup Classifieds

Reach Over 21,000 Readers Each Week In Eastern Montana & Western North Dakota And Always On The Internet at roundupweb.com
(Paypal required for online purchases)

Add a photo to your classy online! (additional charge)

Now Taking Credit Cards!
(5% charge added to all transactions)

Get Up To 30 Words For Just \$9.25 • Deadline: Monday noon

Seed For Sale

DURUM
Cert. Joppa, Cert. Lebsock & Cert. Alkabo

SPRING WHEAT
Cert. SY Ingmar, Cert. Bolles & Cert. SY Longmire

BARLEY
Common Haybet (Forage) & Cert. Lavina (forage)

OATS
Common Jury

FLAX
Cert. Hammond

LENTILS
Cert. Green Viceroy's & Cert. Red CDC Maxim CL

Green Peas
Cert. Viper

SOME VARIETIES ARE LIMITED. SUBJECT TO NDSS CERTIFICATION.

Signalness Farms
Larry: 701-770-2500
Jason: 701-770-0926
Watford City, ND

HELP WANTED
FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME TEMPORARY POSITIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT MSU EASTERN AG RESEARCH CENTER (EARC)
Wage starts at \$12/hour depending on experience and education. Schedule: Now through October.

CASH FOR Mobile Homes 1990+ Newer REH Sales 970-308-5571

Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Must be 16 years of age and older. Applications are available at EARC located one mile north of Sidney on Hwy 200 at 1501 North Central Avenue, calling 406-433-2208 or emailing cherie.gatzke@montana.edu. MSU-Bozeman is an AA/ADA/EEO/Vet Pref Employer.

FREELANCE REPORTER
The Roundup Newspaper is looking for a Freelance

position for reporter to take photos & write stories at a weekly regional publication. Must have computer skills, valid driver's license and reliable automobile. Short distance travel may be necessary. Required testing for: spelling & grammar (basic), reading comprehension & Microsoft Word 2010 at Job Service. Call 433-1204 for testing. To apply, contact Sidney Job Service for a generic application.

HANDYMAN
Handyman wanted for wide range of maintenance and repair. 406-489-5195.

CARRIERS NEEDED
Need extra cash or want to get some exercise while getting paid? We have carrier routes available in several parts of Sidney. 406-433-3306 or fill out application at The Roundup, 111 W. Main, Sidney.

FOR RENT APARTMENT
2 bedroom, 1 bath, pet friendly, \$625. 406-489-5195.

FOR SALE MISC. FOR SALE
Water dispenser/cooler, \$200; Manitowoc B570 ice bin, makes 532 lbs. of ice, needs head unit, \$500; glass/wooden display case. 20"x6', \$65; 3 display signs, \$15, 25, & \$50; baby crib, full-size w/mattress, \$40; trimirror medicine cabinet, like new, \$300. 406-489-1945, noon-6 p.m.

FARM & RANCH WHITE TRACTOR FOR SALE
Clean, excellent, 70 Hp White tractor, 3 point hitch, rebuilt injector pump, 540-1000 PTO, \$8,500, 406-773-5830.

HAYBET SEED FOR SALE
Haybet hay barley seed, cleaned, reserve your bushels now. Call Beerys, 406-979-5720 or 406-773-5710.

LOST LARGE TABBY CAT
Last seen at High Plains Veterinary Clinic, Sidney. Brown, black, tan and gray in color, \$200 reward. If found call 406-480-3690.

SERVICES DO YOU NEED HELP WITH HOUSEWORK IN THE SIDNEY AREA?
Call 406-973-2498! Will dust, vacuum, mop, clean bathrooms, fold laundry, wash dishes. Years of experience.

Lunch Menus!

Sidney School
Thurs., March 25: Corn dogs, oven wedges, mandarin oranges.
Fri., March 26: Tony's pizza, carrot sticks, juice.
Mon., March 29 - Mon., April 5: Spring break.

Savage School
Thurs., March 25: Sloppy joes.
Fri., March 26: No school.
Mon., March 29: Chili.
Tues., March 30: Hot ham and cheese sandwiches.
Wed., March 31: Seniors lunch pick, chicken a la king.

Rau School
Thurs., March 25: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, dinner rolls, apple crisp.
Fri., March 26: Pizza, fresh veggies, apples.
Mon., March 29 - Mon., April 5: Spring break.

Froid School
Thurs., March 25: Chili with cheese, fries, veggies, fruit.
Fri., March 26: Pizza day, lettuce mix, fruit.
Mon., March 29: Taco burgers, chips and cheese, taco bar, veggies, fruit.
Tues., March 30: Beanie weenie casserole, cornbread, string cheese, fruit.
Wed., March 31: Jason's Day! Chicken legs, mashed potatoes, gravy, veggies, strawberry cups, brownies.

Bainville School
Thurs., March 25: Grilled cheese sandwiches, tomato soup, peach cups.
Fri., March 26: Popcorn chicken bowls, corn, pears.
Mon., March 29: Cheese tortellini, red sauce, garlic toast, broccoli, peaches.
Tues., March 30: Hamburger gravy on mashed potatoes, breadsticks, green beans, pears.
Wed., March 31: BBQ pork sandwiches, tater tots, carrot sticks, orange wedges.

Richey School
Thurs., March 25: Pizza, green salad, fruit.

Fri., March 26: No school.
Mon., March 29: Goulash, mixed veggies, fruit.
Tues., March 30: Popcorn shrimp, coleslaw, fruit.
Wed., March 31: Philly joes, fruit.

Culbertson School
Thurs., March 25: Lasagna, salad, mixed fruit.
Fri., March 26: Fish sticks, coleslaw, cookies.
Mon., March 29: Cheeseburgers, fries, mandarin oranges.
Tues., March 30: Pizza pockets, fries, pineapple.
Wed., March 31: Hot dogs, chips, peas.

Lambert School
Thurs., March 25: Roast beef and swiss, tots, fruit.
Fri., March 26: Sloppy joes, chips, corn, fruit.
Mon., March 29: Chicken a la king, salad, fruit.
Tues., March 30: American hotdish, corn, buns, fruit.
Wed., March 31: Popcorn chicken, fries, fruit.

Fairview School
Thurs., March 25: Spaghetti, breadsticks, veggies, fruit.
Fri., March 26: No school.

Alexander School
Thurs., March 25: Taco in a bag.
Fri., March 26: Chicken burger, fries.
Mon., March 29: Finger steaks, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn.
Tues., March 30: Chili cheese bread.
Wed., March 31: Chicken or fish nuggets, fries.

Watford City School
Thurs., March 25: Pizza pasta, breadsticks, superfly chex mix.
Fri., March 26: Chicken nuggets, fries
Mon., March 29: Sweet and sour chicken, fried rice, fortune cookies.
Tues., March 30: Taco in a bag, fruit snacks.
Wed., March 31: Chili, cinnamon rolls, crackers.

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM-EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR WANTED

SNAP-Ed Instructor - 0.75-1.0 Full-time equivalent. Located in Poplar or Culbertson, MT. Come join an exciting team of instructors collaborating with other agencies to teach a curriculum to both adults and youth in nutrition education, physical activity and food resource management. Screening begins March 30, 2021. Equal Opportunity Employer, Veterans/Disabled.

For more info and how to apply, visit <https://jobs.montana.edu/postings/23285>

Inspired to CARE

Join our team! Job Opportunities

Cancer Care Infusion Registered Nurse	Nursing Director of Nursing Acute Care
Dining Services Cook	Registered Nurse Emergency Room
Emergency Medical Technician	Registered Nurse or LPN Med/Surg
Environmental Services Extended Care Housekeeper Housekeeper Laundry Aide	Registered Nurse OB
Extended Care Certified Nurse Assistant Engagement Aide Licensed Practical Nurse Registered Nurse	Radiological Services Radiological Technician Ultrasound Technician
Laboratory Laboratory Assistant Medical Technologist (MLS/CLS) or Medical Laboratory Technician (CLT)	Rehab Services Speech Language Pathologist
Pharmacy Technician - Compounding Specialist	Respiratory Services Director Respiratory Therapist
	Surgery Perioperative RN
	Visiting Nurse/Hospice Office Manager

SIDNEY HEALTH CENTER
Exceptional Care for Life

For additional information or to apply online, visit our website or contact: Human Resources at (406) 488-2571 HR@sidneyhealth.org 216 14th Ave SW • Sidney, MT

BENEFITS: Health insurance • Generous paid leave • Competitive pension plan • Flexible spending accounts • Voluntary dental, vision, critical illness and accident insurance • Life and AD & D Insurance • Hospital and Fitness facility discounts

Visit Our Website at: www.sidneyhealth.org

Roundup WEB.COM

NOW SELLING NEW AND USED TIRES
offering light mechanics as well

MAGNUM MOTORS
Williston, ND • 701-572-0114 • 770-6375

INSTALLED WINDSHIELDS FOR MOST MAKES AND MODELS

MAGNUM MOTORS
Williston, ND • 701-572-0114 • 701-770-6375

ACCEPTING BIDS

BIDS OPEN APRIL 1, 2021, 7PM ALEXANDER FIRE HALL

40x60 Building, 3 stall cement floor, Floating Slab, 12' Doors, Heat & Electric, Construction to begin Spring/Summer 2021, Located in the Squaw Gap Area

*Building should include all materials & labor, turn key operation

Contact Dan Abelmann 701-570-2600 or Darrel Minnow 701-565-2345 of the Alexander Rural Fire Protection District for more information

Send bids to: Barbara Fixen
ARFPD 3341 137th Ave NW, Alexander, ND 58831

NEW SY 611CL2
High Yield and protein Manage resistant grasses with 2 gene herb tolerance Soren pedigree

SY Murdock
Excellent Yield with Good Protein Strong Straw

ND Riveland Durum
High Yields and Test Weight Medium maturity

SY McCloud
Very High protein and Yield, Ex TW and strong disease package

SKOV SEED
Randy Skov | Fairview, MT
406-747-5217 Home
406-489-0165 Cell

SY Longmire
Solid Stem built to Yield with very good protein potential, good overall disease package

Lanning Brennan
Higher Protein Vide Replacement
Balanced With High Yield & Protein
Last available certified as it has been discontinued

Hylene Yellow Pea
High Yielding Variety with Good Height & Standability

Richlea Lentils

Call Today!

AgriPro PWA 1994—Unauthorized propagation prohibited. Plant variety protection granted or applied for Syngenta varieties.

KIDS EARN \$\$\$

JOIN THE ROUNDUP CARRIER TEAM

\$1000 SIGNING BONUS!
(Distributed over a 5 month period)

PLUS COLD WEATHER BONUS DURING THE WINTER MONTHS & PERIODIC RAISES!

The Roundup

111 West Main • Sidney, MT | 406-433-3306

Basin Brokers
YOUR VOICE OF REAL ESTATE EST. 1973

Land For Sale In McKenzie County:

- 15.09 Acres in NE1/4 Sect 36 TWP 150 Range 99
- 31.6 Acres in W1/2SW1/4 Sect 12 TWP 150 Range 99
- 92.68 Acres in Sect 18 TWP 150 Range 98
- 57.07 Acres in SE1/4 Sect 13 TWP 150 Range 99
- 25.68 Acres in SW1/4 Sect 32 TWP 151 Range 98 with 36 X 100 shed

Contact Paul Deutsch (701-770-6308) or Angie Moe (605-432-1701) with Basin Brokers in Watford City for more information.

Your Boots On The Hill:

Spending Stimulus Money In Montana, Studying Its Impact On Agriculture

By Nicole Rolf and Rachel Cone, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

Conversations at the Capitol have taken a turn this week to focus on strategy for spending federal funding brought to Montana from The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The American Rescue Plan Act is the Biden Administration's \$1.9 trillion COVID-19 relief package.

The nearly \$3 billion in funding is roughly equal to our state's typical annual budget, so the legislators have a big job to do in strategically and thoughtfully distributing the money. They're handling this money – marked as House Bill 632: Implement receipt of and appropriate federal stimulus and COVID recovery funds – much like they do our state budget bills. They're breaking into various subcommittees to study the behemoth bill and determine the biggest needs in the state.

We spent a large part of our time this week in those subcommittee rooms, listening to the legislators' discussion and offering suggestions, insights and priorities that would help Montana's farmers and ranchers. We answered a lot of questions in one of these subcommittee hearings concerning the Cooperative Interstate Shipment (CIS) program. CIS is a United States Department of Agriculture-Food Safety Inspection Service (USDA-FSIS)-approved framework that exists to allow states with certain standards and designations to ship state-inspected meat across state lines.

In order to be eligible for this existing program, Montana's Department of Livestock would have to pursue CIS certification and offer

state-inspected processing plants the opportunity for CIS certification. Part of the conversation was to explore if some of the federal stimulus money could be used to help pay for these additional certifications and otherwise have a positive impact on meat marketing avenues and opportunities for Montana ranchers.

Your Farm Bureau lobbyists continue to advocate for other big priorities when it comes to spending, just like we did earlier in the session. We spent a lot of time in early budgetary meetings advocating for funding for our Montana Agricultural Experiment Stations, a new Veterinary Diagnostic Lab and a new Wool Lab. There is potential for more of these large projects to be funded with stimulus money instead of bonding.

Another important issue this funding could affect is rural broadband connectivity in our state. This has long been an important issue for Montana's farmers and ranchers, and Montana Farm Bureau has clear policy on the value we see in supporting greater connectivity in the country. The Montana legislature is approaching this topic with wise care. Appropriations Committee Chairman Llew Jones has noted that while we can all agree that enhanced rural broadband connectivity is an important effort for Montanans to support, we need specific ideas and real, on-the-ground solutions to effectively implement better connectivity. The key questions are, "Who needs it most, and how do we get the money on the ground most efficiently without duplicating service where it's not truly needed?"

We share all these

thoughts with a cautionary note – there are still a lot of unknowns in how this money can and should be spent. While many of our big agricultural priorities could be positively impacted by this funding, we still have a lot of work to do to fully understand what strings may be attached to the funding and what parameters are in place for its uses. We'll continue to advocate for Montana agriculture and let our decision makers know throughout the process what our priorities are.

We also know we have time to make these decisions wisely. Not all the federal money has to be allocated during this legislative session. While there is a sense of urgency to get the conversations started right now, we don't want to get in a rush and just throw money at problems because we have it. We have a lot of confidence in this legislative body, as well as the Governor and his administration, and know they will take a critical look at this funding and spend it with organization and efficiency for the long-term benefit of our state. It's our job to be available throughout that process to answer questions and advocate for what we know are important issues to rural Montana.

In other legislative news, Montana Farm Bureau was proud to support several members as appointees to state boards and leadership. Gallatin County Farm Bureau member Jake Feddes and Fergus County Farm Bureau member Greg Wichman have been appointed to the Montana Board of Livestock. Hill, Liberty, Blaine County Farm Bureau member Vince

Mattson has been appointed to the Board of Hail Insurance. We supported each of these nominees in their Senate confirmation hearings on March 18 and were pleased that the committee took action the same day to confirm them.

For more legislative updates and details on these issues, follow our Live with Your Lobbyist broadcast each Friday at noon on our Montana Farm Bureau Facebook Page.

Nicole Rolf is the Senior Governmental Affairs direc-

tor and a rancher from Miles City. Nicole works closely with our Congressional delegation on national issues affecting Montana agriculture. Additionally, this is her seventh Montana Legislative Session, lobbying in Helena on behalf of MFBF members. She also works as the Eastern Montana Regional Manager. Nicole can be contacted at nicoler@mfbf.org.

Rachel Cone is the Montana Farm Bureau Federation State Affairs director. This is Rachel's first session lobbying on behalf of Mon-

tana Farm Bureau. Rachel is involved throughout the interim session to track how bills will come to the session. She also coordinates the MFBF Water Committee, the Resource Management, Environment and Technology Committee and the Livestock Committee in addition to being Farm Bureau PAC treasurer. Rachel can be contacted at rachelc@mfbf.org.

WHETHER IT IS VERY SIMPLE OR ELEGANTLY SOPHISTICATED, A LASTING MEMORIAL REPRESENTS A LIFE THAT HAS TOUCHED US

Contact us now so we can help you find a monument or grave marker to dedicate to your loved one.

Monuments to be ordered by April 2 for delivery by Memorial Day.

It's All About Saying Goodbye

FULKERSON – STEVENSON

FUNERAL HOME

Sidney: 406-488-2805 | Watford City: 701-842-2490 | Williston: 701-572-6329 | Tioga: 701-664-2122
Remembrances & condolences may be shared with family at: www.fulkersons.com

Pleasant Valley Angus

Selling

50 Yearling Black Angus Bulls

~ Private Treaty Sales Begin March 15 ~

Featuring Sons of...

- SAV Drover
- Deer Valley Unique
- Quaker Hill Manning
- Counselor N29
- Werner Flat Top
- Hilltop Aught-Six

Pleasant Valley Angus

Cory and Sarah Foss • Sidney, Montana

406-798-3364 • 406-489-0809

Lincoln-Reagan Day Dinner

Sponsored by the Richland County Republicans

All Are Welcome!

SAVE THE DATE!

FRI, APRIL 30 • 6PM • SIDNEY ELKS LODGE

Senator Steve Daines - Main Speaker

Tickets Are \$40/Adults & \$20/Students

AR15 Radical Arms Pistol Raffle At The Door

Live Auction: .22 Heritage Rough Rider Pistol & 2 Boxes (20lbs each) Beef Hamburger

Contact Sherry Mitchel at 406-488-3502 for more info

SAVAGE ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS #7, #7J & #2 RESOLUTION INTENT TO IMPOSE AN INCREASE TO PERMISSIVE LEVIES, MARCH 15th, 2021

As an essential part of its budgeting process, the Savage School Board of Trustees is authorized by law to impose levies to support its budget. Senate Bill 307 (SB307) requires the District to provide notice of its intent to increase non-voted levies in the ensuing fiscal year. The Savage School Board of Trustees estimates the following increase/decrease in revenues and mills for the funds noted below for the next fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 using certified taxable valuations from the current school fiscal year as provided to the district.

ELEMENTARY FUND SUPPORTED	ESTIMATED CHANGES TO REVENUES	ESTIMATED INCREASE IN MILLS	ESTIMATED IMPACT HOME OF \$100,000.00	ESTIMATED IMPACT HOME OF \$200,000.00
Transportation	\$0	0	\$0	\$0
Bus Depreciation	\$0	0	\$0	\$0
Tuition	\$0	0	\$0	\$0
Building Reserve	\$7,101.86	-0.12	-\$0.16	-\$0.33
Totals	\$0	0	\$0	\$0

HIGH SCHOOL FUND SUPPORTED	ESTIMATED CHANGES TO REVENUES	ESTIMATED INCREASE IN MILLS	ESTIMATED IMPACT HOME OF \$100,000.00	ESTIMATED IMPACT HOME OF \$200,000.00
Transportation	\$0	0	\$0	\$0
Bus Depreciation	\$0	0	\$0	\$0
Tuition	\$0	0	\$0	\$0
Adult Education	\$0	0	\$0	\$0
Building Reserve	\$5,122.29	-.05	-\$0.07	-\$0.14
Totals	\$0	0	\$0	\$0

The Savage School Board is providing the above estimate but won't have a final number until August 2021, when new certified taxable values are available. Please contact the District Business Office at 406-776-2317 or savageof@savagepublicschool.com if you have any questions.

NATIONAL DOCTOR'S DAY

In recognition of National Doctors' Day on Tuesday, March 30, 2021, please join Sidney Health Center in thanking our physicians for their commitment, expertise and excellent patient care provided throughout the different stages in life. Twenty-nine physicians offer services including emergency medicine, family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, general surgery, orthopedic surgery, ENT, podiatric medicine, oncology, aesthetic medicine, pathology, radiology and hospital.

SIDNEY HEALTH CENTER
Exceptional Care for Life

216 14th Ave. SW • Sidney, Montana
406-488-2100 • www.sidneyhealth.org

f i in y

EASTER ACTIVITIES



JOIN OUR EGG ROUNDUP!

Sat, March 27 • 11am
Ages 1-8 • Prizes awarded



Shops at Fox Run • 404 N Central Ave • Sidney, MT | 6am - 10pm Daily | 406-433-2305 | www.reynoldsmarket.com

Giant Stocking Giveaway

Register in store
Drawing April 1

Photos With
The Easter Bunny!
Bring your camera

Davidson Medical Benefit March 27

On Jan. 4, Dick was enjoying a pleasant day of ice fishing when a gust of wind knocked him down and he landed hard on his neck and back. The fall caused compression on his spinal column and Dick had no feeling in his legs or arms. He was rushed to the Bismarck hospital where they discovered a lot of calcium deposits and bone spurs on his spinal column with the fall causing compression on the nerves. They did surgery removing some of the bone and inserting a rod and screws in his neck to relieve the compression on the nerves. When he had recovered from surgery enough, he was moved to the PAM Rehabilitation Clinic, Fargo, where he underwent intensive rehabilitation for three weeks.

He is home now doing outpatient rehabilitation therapy and improving daily. He has recovered some movements in his arms and legs and can stand and walk up to 30 feet with the help of a



Andrea & Dick Davidson

walker. Every day he sees improvement. He thanks all his family and friends for their support.

On Saturday, March 27 there will be a Medical Benefit held for Dick which will include silent auction, 5-7 p.m.; freewill donation meatball supper, 6 p.m.; live auction, 7 p.m. and a cash bar. All this will take place at Richland County Event Center. All proceeds from this event will be used

for medical expenses and supplies to aid in Dick's recovery.

For more information on this event contact Travis Morrill, 406-480-9514. If you would like to make a donation to the live or silent auction contact Sheila Marker, 406-480-3442. If you are unable to attend this benefit but would still like to donate an account is set up at Stockman Bank under "Dick Davidson Benefit."

USDA Seeks Innovative Partner-led Projects Delivering Sustainable Agricultural Solutions

Bozeman - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is seeking proposals to fund up to \$75 million in new, unique projects under the Regional Conservation Partnership Program's (RCPP) Alternative Funding Arrangements (AFA) that take innovative and non-traditional approaches to conservation solutions at the local, regional and landscape scales. In making selections USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will prioritize projects related to climate smart agriculture and forestry.

NRCS will fund up to 15 projects this year through AFA, where partners have more flexibility in working directly with agricultural producers to support the development of new conservation structures and approaches that would not otherwise be effectively implemented through the classic RCPP.

"Targeted collaboration and partnership are leading to advanced conservation delivery on working lands, both rural and urban," said Tom Watson, NRCS state conservationist for Montana. "We want to continue funding focused projects that harness the power of partnership and innovation to develop solutions that benefit producers while conserving our natural resources."

A significant portion of funds will address projects related to climate smart agriculture and forestry. These include projects related to carbon markets and new

technologies. Meanwhile NRCS also strongly encourages proposals from RCPP projects that address the conservation needs of urban farmers in metropolitan areas, supporting access to healthy fresh food in historically underserved populated communities.

NRCS will execute AFAs through agreements with eligible lead partners who will be responsible for contracting directly with eligible producers and landowners to implement conservation activities on the ground.

NRCS is accepting AFA project proposals now through May 28. Proposals must be submitted through the RCPP portal at <https://nrcs-sites.secure.force.com/>. Information about this request for proposals is available on grants.gov. A list of last year's awarded projects can be found on the NRCS website. Contact Jerry Shows, NRCS Program Manager for RCPP in Montana, for more information at jerry.shows@usda.gov or 406-587-6967.

On April 1 at 3 p.m. EDT, NRCS will host a webinar for partners interested in submitting an AFA proposal. To sign up for this training, please email RCPP@usda.gov.

AFA projects were initially authorized under the 2014 Farm Bill, while the 2018 Farm Bill enhanced the AFA provision and authorized NRCS to award up to 15 AFA projects annually. Project types that may be suited to AFAs, as highlighted by the 2018 Farm Bill

statute include:

- Projects that use innovative approaches to leverage the federal investment in conservation.

- Projects that deploy a pay-for-performance conservation approach.

- Projects that seek large-scale infrastructure investment that generate conservation benefits for agricultural producers and nonindustrial private forest owners.

The fiscal 2021 AFA funding announcement incorporates policy updates following publication of the RCPP final rule, including:

- The revised RCPP Critical Conservation Areas (announced in August 2020).

- Updated RCPP AGI waiver policy.

- Clarifying language about when RCPP activities can be carried out on public lands.

- New policy language developed for AFA easements.

- New policy language to highlight that producer "cost-share" funding related to implementation of conservation activities, like land management practices or systems, cannot be counted as partner contributions for the project.

Farmers, ranchers and private forest landowners apply for RCPP projects through project partners, like conservation districts, producer associations, water districts, state or local governments, American Indian tribes, institutions of higher education and nongovernmental organizations.



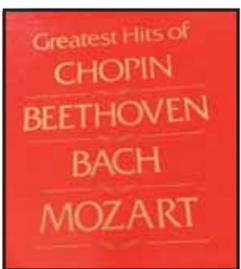
ALL "GARAGE SALE" ITEMS REDUCED TO ONE DOLLAR!



CHECK OUT THE ANTIQUE STORE



For Vintage, Classical & Country Vinyl Albums
(look for the purple tote)



YELLOWSTONE Marketplace

102 N Central Ave • Sidney, MT (Corner of Central Ave & Main St)
Mon-Sat: Noon - 6pm • 406-489-1945 | We Accept Credit Cards

SPRING INTO ACTION

With A Used Pickup That Still Works Just As Hard As You Do

2016 GMC SIERRA 1500
#8528, Crew Cab, Dark Grey

35,140 MILES



2016 F-350 LARIAT
#6562, 6.7 Diesel, Silver

72,350 MILES



2015 F-250 LARIAT
#6557, Crew Cab, 6.2L Gas, Ruby Red

122,850 MILES



See dealer for details

"Experience the Eagle Country Difference!"

215 East Main • Sidney, MT | 433-1810 or 1-800-482-1810 | eaglecountryfordsales.com

Guest Opinion: Does Democracy Still Work?

By Jerry "Doc" Kessler

Is democracy going to fail? Experts have predicted that in the past, and now it seems more likely than ever. The Constitution was signed on Sept. 17, 1787. The relevance of this document is at risk of becoming irrelevant, and the American form of government, as we know it may become unrecognizable in the future.

There are many examples of concerning changes that are underway. The border is no longer being defended. Illegal immigrants are being encouraged to come here (for cheap labor and purchased voter loyalty). A massive \$1.9 trillion bill has recently passed – under the guise of COVID relief – with only 9% dedicated to that cause with the rest going to various liberal causes (bailout poorly run liberal cities, etc.). The concept of equity (equal results) is being promoted over the traditional goal of equality (equal opportunity). Incentives for effort-based rewards are being removed. Government is giving money away that effectively undermines traditional family structure (more benefits for having even more children out of wedlock). Gender-based pronouns (he, she, mother, father, etc.) have recently been banned from Congressional proceedings. Biologic men are being allowed to unfairly compete in women's sports. Reverse Discrimination is practiced in government and businesses. Voter integrity is being ransacked by not requiring voter ID, etc. Freedoms of Speech and Religion (1st Amendment) and the Right to Bear Arms (the 2nd Amendment) are being undermined. There is a full-blown attack on carbon-based industry. Policies (both federal and local) of refusing to enforce laws, and "defund the police" agendas, have made our lives less safe. And so on. And so forth.

I am not a lawyer, but even non-lawyers (like myself) can learn that our country's founders, in their wisdom, did not want things to be this way. The United States was to be a "constitutional federal republic." That is what these historic documents say. The nation is really a collection of 50 different democracies. The federal government is supposed to take care of "federal" issues and let the states take care of "state" issues. There is supposed to be true division of powers – executive, judicial, and legislative. The central government (as ominous as that sounds) was given the right to impose taxes, borrow money, provide national defense, regulate commerce with foreign nations, establish and enforce rules on nationalization, print money, build roads, maintain a military, and wage wars if needed. Most rules of government were supposed to be left up to the individual states and local governments. Article IV and Section 4 of the Constitution specifically says that the US shall "guarantee to every state" that the Union shall remain a "Republican Form of Government." We are really a "representative democracy." The USA

was never meant to have a "one size fits all" centrally run agenda to rule over the individual states.

The states are to be run in a democratic manner. They are to elect members to Congress, and make sure the rights of its citizens are represented. The founders were quite concerned that the densely populated urban areas would try to control the lives of people from less populated rural areas. Our founding fathers realized that all segments of the population, and all geographical areas, were equally important. It sounds like these ideals are no longer highly regarded.

The Declaration of Independence refers to "the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God" and our "Creator" as being the source of self-evident truths. These principles were meant to appeal to our inherent sense of "right and wrong." We all rightfully believe in "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness."

I am concerned that our country is deviating away from the ideals set in writing by our country's founding fathers. Is it fair that big government is giving vast amounts of money to various sectors of our society to influence votes – not really for "humanitarian" reasons, as they claim. Even if that were the case, handout programs have repeatedly been shown to fail. Is it fair that our lives are being increasingly controlled by New York, California, and other major urban centers? It should be noted that 95% of the counties in this country voted for the conservative candidate in the last two presidential elections. Middle America is increasingly being controlled by Bicoastal Elites.

Unlimited Access to World's Best Content

Submitted by Kelly Reisig, MBA Director

Sidney - The Sidney-Richland County Library has a new way to connect patrons to the world around them. Get unlimited access to the world's best content with PressReader. Your card will give you access to more than 7,000 of the world's top newspapers and magazines as soon as they're available on shelves. No limit on downloads and they are yours to keep forever. Here's a sample of just a handful of what is available:

- The Guardian
- Bloomberg Businessweek
- Los Angeles Times
- Daily Mail
- L'Équipe
- Der Tagesspiegel
- Libération
- China Daily
- La Razon

You can choose to read the publication in its native language or have it translated to English with the click of a button. The PressReader app is also available on the Apple Store, Google Play Store, or Microsoft Store. Go to www.richland.org/srcl or call 433-1917 for more information.

In the old days, people valued the self-evident truths that are talked about in the Declaration of Independence. Equal opportunity for all – including having a "safety net" of extra help for those with true needs – are worthy goals. We should try to be "a more perfect union," but this earthly life will never be perfect. It is important that we promote individual responsibility and reward hard work. Elected officials should not be promoting agendas to merely buy votes to keep their party into power. This ultimately undermines our society. That kind of "democracy" will be our undoing.

Sidney Body Shop



- Collision Repair
- Glass Replacement

Owners: Kirby & Kelly Feldman

406-433-2948 | 1301 S Central Ave • Sidney

UNION GATEWAY AGENCY



Your Insurance Team
Independently
Representing:

- ~Life
- ~Health
- ~Medicare Supplement
- ~Medicare Part D
- ~Group Health
- ~Vision
- ~Dental
- ~Long Term Care



202 3rd Ave NW
Sidney MT 59270
phone 406-488-4366
fax 406-630-4433

Guest Opinion: Legislative Report

Greetings from Helena!

It looks like spring is on its way. We will be needing some moisture soon.

We have had some emails from concerned folks wondering about some news stories regarding illegals being flown into Montana. It is disturbing that the President wants to bring a bunch of illegals into Montana and leave them for us to take care of. This is the same President who has been badmouthing President Trump about his handling of the China virus. President Biden is letting in people from all over the world while he wants us to refrain from seeing our own families. Go figure! No surprise!

This week in Judiciary Committee we heard a lot of bills. Representative John Fuller carried a couple of the bills, HB112 and HB427. HB112 deals with transgenders in sports. This bill requires interscholastic athletes to participate under the sex assigned at birth. HB427 prohibits a doctor from performing sex changing procedures on minors. Both bills were passed out of Senate Judiciary committee on party line votes.

In Public Health Committee we heard several bills, which came out of the House, to limit DPHHS, which is much needed. We did confirm Adam Meier as Director of DPHHS, which we think is a step in the right direction. It is a big agency with lots of problems so it is going to take a while to work through some issues.

Our granddaughter, Brenna Rapp, was a Senate Page this week. We enjoyed having Brenna with us. If you are in Helena be sure to stop and see us. If you want to look up the text of a bill you can find it at <https://leg.mt.gov>.

For Freedom,
Senator Steve Hinebauch

DJ's

Ice Cream Parlor & YakAttack Coffee

DINE-IN
DRIVE-THRU
& CURBSIDE!

NOW OPEN!

We serve Wilcoxson Ice Cream & other Montana-made sweets

308 South Interstate Ave • Fairview, MT

406-478-2096

Mon - Thurs: 6:30am - 6:30pm • Fri - Sat: 6:30am - 8pm • Sun: 7am - 2pm
(Summer Hours Coming Soon)

ALMQUIST WELDING & FAB

Locally owned and operated in Watford City, ND
Serving North Dakota and Montana

Steel sales! No piece too big or too small!

Field and shop welding!

Special prices for our ranchers and farmers!

Material forming, rolling, shearing and machine work

We stock...

- Steel - plate, angle, tubes, flat bar, pipe, beams and more
- Aluminum - plate, channel, angle, round bar and more
- Piano hinges, bullet hinges, teardrop hinges, all thread, spring latches, D-rings...
- AND MUCH MORE!

In God We Trust

Office: 701-842-2759 • 24/7: 701-690-7571
1504 11th Ave SE • Watford City, ND | PO Box 522

★★★★★★★★★★★★

THE BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Reach 26,500 Readers in the Entire MonDak Region

Call: 406-433-3306 or email: info@roundupweb.com

visit www.roundupweb.com/directory for direct links to company websites & locations

\$25⁰⁰
WK

NICK JONES REAL ESTATE

TRUCK ROUTE SOUTH, SIDNEY
OR CONTACT ONE OF OUR AGENTS:

Justin Jones 406-480-9525	Jerrian Franzen 406-478-3773	Dennis Wick 406-480-1550
------------------------------	---------------------------------	-----------------------------

www.NickJonesRE.com

Signs OF SIDNEY

Signs • Banners
Vehicle Lettering
Vinyl Letters
Location Signs
Decals
with High Tack Option

224 6th St. SW, Sidney • 406-433-2476 • signsofsidney@midrivers.com

PARTY CENTRAL & MAIN STREET POPCORN

105 E Main • Sidney | 406-433-4386

- Gift Bouquets • Tuxedos • Balloons
- Fresh Made Flavored Popcorn
- Holiday & Solid Tableware

HIGH CALIBER SPORTS & ATHLETICS

One Location To Serve You Better!

440 N Central Ave • Sidney, MT
Shops at Fox Run | 406-433-1800
Mon-Sat: 9am - 6pm • Sun: 10am - 4pm
www.highcalibersportsinc.com

ELECTRICLAND

Network • Automation • Smart Home • AV Solutions

225 2nd Ave NE • Sidney, MT | Mon - Fri: 9am - 5pm | 406-433-4370

DOORBUSTIN

Portables & Septic Service, LLC

Office: (406) 433-7586
Fax: (406) 433-7596
Service: (406) 489-0915

- Portable Toilet Rentals
- Septic Pumping & Installation
- Jetting Frozen Sewer Lines
- Snake Jobs
- Camera-Locate Sewer Lines
- Pipe Burst Sewer Lines (eliminates digging up entire yard)
- Troubleshooting

Blaine Rogers - Owner | PO Box 1003 | 34980 Hwy 23 • Sidney, MT

Sidney LUMBER

Mon-Fri: 8am - 3pm
1420 5th St SW • Sidney, MT
406-433-7767 • By Appt: 406-489-1880

WE WILL NOW CONTRACT YOUR ENTIRE JOB!

YOUR COMPANY HERE

Customer Service is Our #1 Priority

Border

STEEL & RECYCLING, INC.

Farm & Ranch, Oil Field & Construction Materials, Fencing Supplies, New Steel, Pipe, Aluminum & Stainless

Sidney: 35002 CR 123 • 406-433-7737
Glendive: 2703 W. Towne St. • 406-377-4398
Plentywood: Hwy 16 East • 406-765-2624

Williston: 13896 W. Front St. • 701-572-5493
Miles City: 12 Peggy Lane • 406-874-7428



Richland County Food Bank Donation

A \$500 donation was made by Richland County Democratic Central Committee to Richland County Food Bank board president, Candace Markwald and vice president, Gloria Yockim by RCDCC officers, Fred Lake and Janet Martineau. Appointments can be made for Mondays and Thursdays by calling 406-433-8142. Thank you to this all-volunteer organization and those community members who give to reduce food insecurity in our county. (Submitted by Janet Martineau)

Sidney Storm Places Third at Big Sky State Games



Eight of the Richland Rangers Squirts playing at the Big Sky state games as Sidney Storm were able to go 4 and 2 this past weekend. Sidney Storm played 3 games Saturday morning, March 20, with 2 wins (17 to 9 over the Dickinson Kings, 11 to 4 over the Billings Gladiators) and one loss (7 to 11 against Roughnecks White) moving them to bracket play ranked 2nd in pool A. The games continued Saturday night and Sunday morning with a win over the Ice Dawgs of 10 to 3, but a loss to Roughnecks Black of 3 to 9, which sent them to the consolation game Sunday morning against Dickinson Kings. Sidney Storm landed a victory of 9 to 6 over the Kings that resulted in Sidney Storm placing 3rd in the tournament! Pictured above: (L-R) Paxton Berry, Holden

Boehler, Dresden Wesley, Cooper Thiel, Henry Maurer, Conner Price, Jake Schlothauer, Hitch Horsburgh. Not pictured coach Tony Maurer. (Photo by Brenda Filler)



Above: Jake Schlothauer vs. Billings Gladiator. (Photo by Brenda Filler)



Right: Cooper Thiel vs. Dickinson Kings. (Photo by Brenda Filler)

Reach Higher Montana Celebrates Graduating Class Of 2021 With Virtual Senior Send-Off Event

Participating students can win scholarships, equipment and tool packages, technology, and more

Helena - All Montana students graduating from high school in the spring of 2021 are invited to celebrate their achievements and future plans through Senior Send-Off, a virtual event organized by nonprofit Reach Higher Montana.

"This statewide recognition of all students allows Montanans to celebrate the Class of 2021, which has reached graduation despite the challenges of COVID-19," said Kelly Cresswell, Reach Higher Montana executive director. "We are excited to hear what the members of the Class of 2021 will do next. Whether students' next steps are apprenticeship, military service, entering the workforce, or enrolling in college, graduating high school is an important milestone worthy of celebration."

Students wishing to participate will securely upload their photo or short video on the Reach Higher Montana website, www.ReachHigherMontana.org. Special early prize drawings will be held for students who upload their pictures or videos by April 9, and the final deadline for participation is April 23, 2021. Students' photos and videos will be shared on Reach Higher Montana's Facebook and Instagram pages from April 29-May 7. Daily live prize drawings held at 3:45 p.m. Prize winners will be selected at random do not have to be viewing the prize drawing to win. In addition, several prominent Montanans will share their video congratulations for the Class of 2021 through Reach Higher Montana's social media channels.

Prizes include: Ten scholarships of \$1,000 each; ten equipment and tool packages of \$500 each; Laptops, iPads, and AirPods; college campus swag packages; hydro flasks and gift cards.

Reach Higher Montana is a nonprofit organization headquartered in Helena and working throughout Montana to help students achieve personal success in education, career, and life. In addition to scholarships for students and educators, Reach Higher Montana provides outreach services to students and parents and delivers many impactful programs serving Montana students. To learn more, visit our website, www.ReachHigherMontana.org, or follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

Spring Classes Open For Registration

For details and to register, visit handyandynursery.com or our Facebook page

March 27 Easter Traditions
 April 10 Early Bird Veggies
 April 16 Fly-Trap Terrarium
 April 24 Bonsai Basics

Easter Traditions March 27th

Monday - Friday: 9am - 5:30pm
 Saturday: 9am - 5pm
 3515 West Front St
 Williston, ND | 701-572-6083

Handy Andy's
 Since Nursery 1952

Farm Retirement AUCTION

1973 140th St, Kennedy, MN 56733

OPENS: Tuesday, March 23
 CLOSING: THURSDAY, APRIL 1 | 10AM 2021

PREVIEW: Tuesday, March 23 - Thursday, April 1 from 8AM - 5PM
 LOADOUT: Thursday, April 1 - Monday, April 12 from 8AM - 5PM

INCLUDES: Track Tractors, MFWD & 2WD Tractors, GPS Equipment, Harvest Equipment, Header Trailers, Grain Cart, Planter, Air Drill, Sprayer & Tires, Tillage Equipment, Sugarbeet & Row Crop Equipment, Semi Tractors, Box Trucks, Pickups, Hopper Bottom Trailers, End Dump, Dry Van, & Other Trailers, Hopper Bin, Grain Handling Equipment, Scrapers & Ditching Technology, Tractor Loader Backhoe, Other Equipment, Tanks, Tires, Parts & Farm Support Items

SteffesGroup.com STEFFES

Steffes Group, Inc., 2000 Main Ave East, West Fargo, ND
DARRON & KADIE BENSON | 218.686.2745
 or Brad Olstad at Steffes Group, 701.237.9173 or 701.238.0240

All items sold as is where is. Payment of cash or check must be made sale day before removal of items. Statements made auction day take precedence over all advertising. \$35 documentation fee applies to all titled vehicles. Titles will be mailed. Canadian buyers need a bank letter of credit to facilitate border transfer. Brad Olstad MN14-70

- 2013 CASE-IH 600
- 2015 CASE-IH 290
- 2013 CASE-IH 4430
- 2012 CASE-IH 8230
- 2009 CASE-IH 6088
- 1997 JOHN DEERE 8300
- 2009 H&S 30T
- DEMCO 1050
- 2003 JOHN DEERE DB44
- 2012 AMITY SINGLE DISK
- 2011 IHC PROSTAR
- 2000 FREIGHTLINER FLD112

IT'S TAX SEASON

Here Are Some Helpful Tips From The IRS:

H&R BLOCK

GETTING YOUR REFUND STARTS WITH MAKING YOUR APPOINTMENT.

Our tax professionals will get you every credit and deduction you deserve. Visit HRBLOCK.COM to make an appointment today.

PUT OUR EXPERTISE TO WORK FOR YOU.

H&R BLOCK, 606 S CENTRAL, SIDNEY, MT 59270 406-433-1818

OBTP#B13696 ©2015 HRB Tax Group, Inc.

- Don't count on receiving a refund by a certain date. Some refunds are required to be held until after late February.
- Track your refund on IRS.gov or the IRS mobile app, IRS2Go.
- All IRS Taxpayer Assistance Centers (TACs) are by appointment only. Don't wait until it's too late to ask questions! However, Most questions can be resolved on the IRS.gov website without visiting a TAC.
- There are tools, filing options and other services and resources available on www.IRS.gov.

Consumer Alerts on Tax Scams

Note that the IRS will never:

- Call to demand immediate payment using a specific payment method such as a prepaid debit card, gift card or wire transfer. Generally, the IRS will first mail you a bill if you owe any taxes.
- Threaten to immediately bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested for not paying.
- Demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe.
- Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone.

Smith, Lange & Halley, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants
 Teresa M. Halley
 Cory W. Wheeler
 Amy A. Bieber

1060 S. Central Ave., Suite 1
 Sidney, MT 59270
 (406) 433-4510
 Fax: (406) 433-4518
 Website: www.cpasidney.com • Email: slhpc@midrivers.com

You'll profit from our experience!