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Alexander's 76th Annual Old Settlers Day Celebration Begins This Thursday

By Anna Dragseth

Alexander's 76th Annual Old Settlers Day is set to take place Sept. 2-4. The town of Alexander has a large array of activities for everyone to participate in.

Starting on Thursday, Sept. 2, at 7 p.m., there will be a bonfire across from the Alexander park.

On Friday, Sept. 3, there will be a chili cook-off on Main Street, 1-7 p.m., soapbox derby (for ages 7-18) is scheduled at 6 p.m. The derby will have prize money/trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. For more information on the derby call 701-651-7518. From 9 p.m.-1 a.m. there will be music performed by Josh Kehr at Wild Flour Café & Bakery parking lot.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, parade registration will be from 8-10:15 a.m. with the parade starting at 11 a.m.

Kristin Fixen and Trudi Skedsvold put on the parade every year for Old Settlers. Trudi said, "We love seeing everyone come from all over to be in the parade. One of my most favorite things is seeing people come out to Main Street and watch it."

On Saturday, there will



Joseph Mrachek, drives an old truck in the parade. Shavelle Mrachek tosses candy from the back during the 2019 Old Settlers Day Parade.

also be a barbecue and family program in the park at 1 p.m. A senior citizen social will be held at the Alexander School from 1:30 p.m.-midnight (use south entrance). A horseshoe tournament will be held at the burn pit lot east of the park starting at 2 p.m. (registration will be

at 1 p.m.).

A new event for this year is the hillbilly race. This new event features teams of three building a crazy hillbilly creation on wheels to race down Main Street starting at 3 p.m. For more information on this call 701-651-7518.

On Saturday, there will

be a pie-eating contest at 5 p.m. and a street dance starting at 9 p.m. on Main Street, music performed by the Relics. There will also be vendors and craft booths in the park throughout the day.

This year's honorees will be Ed and Mary Rettig; two long time community

members of Alexander and former owners of the gas station in Alexander.

Trudi said, "Ed and Mary have been a staple in the community for as long as I can remember. They are the nicest and most amazing people; we are so happy to honor them this year."



Bakken Brewfest This Saturday



By Anna Dragseth

On Saturday, Sept. 4, the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting its annual Bakken Brewfest at Richland County Event Center, Sidney. Doors will open at 5 p.m. for VIP ticket holders and 7 p.m. for general admission.

The event will have unlimited beer samples, boozy ice-cream, and live music by Mighty Big Jim.

"I'm pretty excited about our new 'boozy ice cream.'" Our VIPs will receive the boozy ice cream free of charge and it'll be available to the general admission for \$5. One of the boozy ice creams is a vanilla, raspberry, and blueberry blended with a Moscato and our other boozy ice cream is double stout ice cream with notes of caramel," said Kali Godfrey Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce executive director.

The event will also have an array of food trucks including Jer Bears Sno Shack, Jeab's Thai Food, Baby K's Bar-B-Q and Coast to Coast. There will also be around 20 brewers, representing Montana, North Dakota, Wyoming, and Minnesota.

"Traditionally, the Brewfest is held around Easter, but due to the restrictions with COVID earlier this year, we needed to move Brewfest to one of the only remaining available dates for the Event Center. Labor Day weekend is a bit of a risk, but I'm hoping with an extra day for attendees to recover, it'll still be a great time. This year we've lowered the ticket prices and added a cash food truck court. We'll also be featuring live music by Mighty Big Jim, Wibaux.

The event serves as the Chamber's largest fundraiser. It allows the Chamber to keep membership costs at a level that is affordable to most businesses. It also helps provide the funding for some of the projects they do around town and gives them funds for providing a grant match and draws tourists in from all over.

General admission tickets are \$30 and VIP tickets are \$50. For more information and/or to purchase a ticket, visit the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce website at sidneymt.com/news-events/bakken-brewfest-1.

Grasshoppers Wreaking Havoc On Crops & Pastures

By Anna Dragseth

Farmers across the area have taken a blow this year; a combination of the devastating drought and a sky-rocketing population of grasshoppers has caused significant losses for producers.

"I believe that a majority of our farmers and ranchers are dealing with some level of damage from the grasshoppers, ranging from light damage to some pretty se-

vere crop and/or grass loss. Of course, the damage was exacerbated by the drought so it's hard to determine exactly just how much damage was grasshoppers and how much was drought," said Tim Fine, MSU Richland County Extension Agent.

This year was a superb year for grasshoppers because dry weather increases the survival of nymphs and adults, and warm autumns allow the pests more time to

feed and lay eggs.

Grasshopper outbreaks are usually followed by several years of hot, dry summers and warm falls; these conditions allow grasshopper populations to increase slowly. Weather is found to be the main factor affecting grasshopper population levels.

Area farmers have seen a stark increase in the number of grasshoppers this growing season. Grasshop-

pers have plagued several areas of cropland and rangeland. Grasshopper damage to wheat cereal crops can be seen on the areas between the crop and the field boundary. Individual plants will show leaf stripping, head clipping, and kernels that have been fed on or destroyed.

Grasshoppers also compete heavily with grazing livestock for forage; they feed on the desirable forage, leaving the less desirable plants behind. Their feeding, if coupled with drought conditions, is prone to causing long-term deterioration of the forage plants/rangeland. The pests can reduce the quality of rangeland in the same way as cattle overgrazing. Ranchers can help deter grasshopper damage by properly managing their range through proper stocking rates and using insecticides suitable for their operation.

Cropland takes a heavy hit when grasshopper popu-

lations are dense and food plants are scarce. The pests migrate and consume almost any plant they come upon. According to www.ndsu.edu, row crop producers should be aware of the potential for grasshoppers to move into row crops after small grains have started to dry down. The best thing producers can do is to consider spraying to keep the populations down. Both low and high-labeled rates of all insecticides provide control of grasshoppers and prevent economic yield loss.

Fine explained that getting some moisture will help tremendously and will allow crops and grasses to overcome some of the damage for the coming year. He said, "Grasshoppers seem to come and go in waves, some years we have lots of them and some years not many at all. Spring weather can greatly affect grasshopper population so there is no way to predict now what the future will hold."



Richland County Title Holds Ribbon Cutting in New Location



Richland County Title held a ribbon cutting and open house in their new location at 108 4th St. SE, Sidney, on Aug. 25. Pictured are (L-R) Landan Jones, Hanna Jepsen, Alli Nelson, Lynn Cole, Eldon Moos, Heidi Tennancour, Doreen Ottemoeller, Jennifer Lear, Nick Hacker, Kendra Baldt, Cassandra Schubert, Tonya Williams, Denise Matson and Kali Godfrey.



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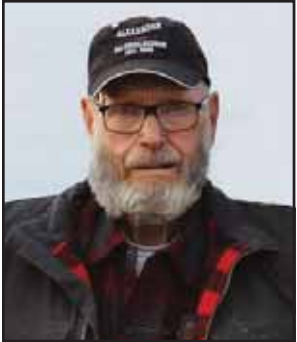
SIDNEY WEATHER DATA
Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug. 23.....	85	46	0.00
Aug. 24.....	74	51	0.00
Aug. 25.....	71	42	0.00
Aug. 26.....	68	52	0.00
Total 2021 YTD Precipitation.....	5.314		

OBITUARIES

James Fixen, 83 Alexander, ND

James Fixen, 83, Alexander, ND, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Aug. 26, 2021, at his residence in Alexander, ND. Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Williston, ND is assisting the family.



James Fixen

James Leonard Fixen was born on Nov.16, 1937 to Leonard and Elda (Abelmann) Fixen, Williston, ND. James grew up on the river bottoms near Williston, ND and later graduated from Alexander High School in 1956. He was an active member in all sports while attending Alexander Public School.

James was united in marriage to Rae (Hudson) Nov. 30, 1960. To this union were born 3 sons, Doug, Kurt and Kent. James and Rae celebrated 50 plus years of marriage.

Throughout his life James worked as a farmhand, bricklayer, and meat cutter. He owned a grocery store with Rae and moved his family to Alexander in 1975. The grocery store better known as Alex Market was run from 1975-1987 when the doors had to close. Jim finished his career by working for the City, he took great pride in the water system and even greater pride in making sure the Alexander Park looked spectacular all summer for Saturday night burgers in the park and especially Old Settlers. James continued to do some part-time work for the City until his passing.

James enjoyed watching his kids, grandkids and great nieces and nephews at sporting events. James had a passion for horses and buggies; he enjoyed taking people for rides around the park. He loved hunting, fishing and camping in his younger years. James enjoyed all of the time spent at the farm with George and Larry Novak. In recent years he was into woodworking and making walking sticks and canes out of diamond willow branches. James mastered the art of making donuts and pickled eggs for family and friends. Anyone that needed a knife sharpened knew to come to him he loved pulling out the steel and making that knife sharp. His watermelon sales started with James and LeRoy traveling to SD for a trailer full of watermelons and muskmelons to bring back and sell, this continued for several years up until a couple of years ago when he traveled with his grandson Cory. James and friend Jerry Bratsberg loved to attend the many auctions around the countryside, never to come home empty handed.

James was a member of the Alexander Fire Department for many years, the Alexander Lions Club for a short time; he was a City Council Member and drove a school bus for the Alexander Public School for many years.

James is survived by his two sons, Kurt (Barbara) and Kent (Carrie); grandchildren, Jami (Randy) Murie, Joshua, Tyler (Kristin), Kelcey (Christopher) Hart, Cory, and Janaya; great-grandchildren, McKenzie Suko, Kailee and Kennedy Murie; sister, Darlene (Merrill) Benth; sisters-in-law, Clara Fixen, Faye Snyder and Geri Hudson; brother-in-law, Cecil Falcon and numerous nieces and nephews.

James was preceded in death by his wife, Rae; son, Doug; parents, Leonard and Elda; father and mother-in-law, Willard and Thelma Hudson; brothers and sisters, Harley (Elsie), LeRoy, Ellen (George) Novak, Edna (Ervin) Rehak, Delores Hagen and Wayne Hagen.

Jim's Memorial Service will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2021 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Alexander, ND. Pastor Kevin Beard will officiate. Inurnment will be at Alexander Cemetery, Alexander, ND. Visitation will be an hour at the church prior to the service.

The Memorial Service will be broadcast, you can view Jim's service directly on his obituary page on our website www.fulkersons.com.

Due to COVID-19, we ask that everyone adheres to local and state requirements for social distancing.

Oran G. Anderson, 66 Sidney, MT

Memorial services for Oran Anderson, 66, Sidney, MT were held at 12 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021 at Club Tavern, Sidney, MT.

Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT is caring for the family.

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

Oran passed away on Sunday, Aug. 22, 2021, at Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT.

Thomas "Tom" Satra, 75 Sidney, MT

Memorial services for Thomas "Tom" Satra, 75, Sidney, MT are at 2 p.m., Monday, Sept. 6, 2021, at Ebenezer Congregational Church, Sidney, MT, with Pastor David Meehan officiating.

Internment will be the Richland Memorial Park 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.

Thomas "Tom" passed away Saturday, Oct. 24, 2020, at St. Vincent's Hospital in Billings, MT.

Carl W. Belden, 92 Glendive, MT formerly of Billings, MT

Graveside services for Carl Belden, 92, Glendive, MT, formerly of Billings, MT are at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021, at Sidney Cemetery under the care of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT.

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

Carl passed away on Monday, Aug. 23, 2021, at Eastern Montana Veteran's Home, Glendive, MT.

Charles "Chuck" Dennis, 81, Sidney, MT

Graveside services for Charles "Chuck" Dennis, 81, Sidney, MT are at 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 4, 2021, at Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT with Pastor David Meehan of Ebenezer Congregational Church, Sidney, MT officiating.

Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT is caring for the family.

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

Charles "Chuck" passed away on Sept. 15, 2020 at St. Vincent Healthcare, Billings, MT.

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RICHLAND COUNTY

Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT Zone. Wed., Sept. 1

10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **40th Annual Quilt & Needlework Show** - On display thru Oct. 2. **Richland County Fair Display** - On display thru Oct. 30. 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/.

Sat., Sept. 4
10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Open Studio Saturdays** - All participants must make an appointment call 406-433-3500 or email mdhc@richland.org. Some restrictions apply. Pricing ranges from \$10 to \$65 with all supplies included. MonDak Heritage Center, 120 3rd Ave. SE. 5 & 7 p.m. - **Bakken Brew Fest** - Doors open at 5 p.m. for VIP; general admission, 7 p.m. Richland County Event Center. \$50 VIP admission; \$30 general admission. For tickets visit sidneymt.com or stop by Sidney Chamber of Commerce.

Sat., Sept. 11
10 a.m. - **"Back to School" Treasure Egg Hunt** - 0-10 years old, Moose Park. If inclement weather it will be held Sept. 18.

Sun., Sept. 12
8:30-9:30 a.m. - **Breakfast** - Open to the public. Sidney Moose Lodge.

Sat., Sept. 18
9 a.m. - **Out of the Darkness Eastern Montana Walk** - Veterans Memorial Park (formerly Central Park). Registration 9-10 a.m. - registration is free & open to the public; opening ceremony, 10 a.m.; walk begins 10:15 a.m.; closing ceremony, 12 p.m. For more information contact Nick Kallem, 406-480-6034 or email EasternMTtootd@gmail.com.

11 a.m. - **Sidney Moose Lodge Meet N Greet** - Public invited. Presentation on the Moose organization and local Lodge & Chapter, lunch follows.

Sun., Sept. 19 & 26
8:30-11:30 a.m. - **Breakfast** - Open to the public. Sidney Moose Lodge.

1 p.m. - **Bingo** - Open to the public. Sidney Moose Lodge.

Tues., Sept. 21
12 p.m. - **Job Service Employers Committee Meeting (JSEC)** - Open to everyone. Reynolds Market conference room. For more information call Margie 406-433-1204 ext. 204.

Thurs., Sept. 23
5:30 p.m. - **Pitchfork Fondue** - Dinner 6:30 p.m., tickets \$30, commercial building Richland County Fairgrounds. Sponsored by Shinnick Memorial Charitable Foundation, proceeds go towards replacing church parking lot. Tickets available at Tami Maltese, CPA; Fink Dental & St. Matthew's Church, after mass only.

Sat., Sept. 25
5:30-7 p.m. - **Picnic Dinner Fundraiser for Girl Scouts** - Public invited. Sidney Moose Lodge. All proceeds donated to Girl Scouts.

McKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT Zone **Thurs., Sept. 2, 7 p.m.; Fri., Sept. 3, 1 p.m.; Sat., Sept. 4, 8 a.m.**

Alexander 76th Annual Old Settler's Day Celebration - Sept. 2: Bonfire. Sept. 3: Chili cook-off, soapbox derby, music by Josh Kehr. Sept. 4: Parade, vendor & craft booths, BBQ, senior citizen social, horseshoe tournament, hillbilly race, pie eating contest & street dance with music by "The Relics".

Fri., Sept. 3
6 p.m. - **Alexander Old Settlers Day Soap Box Derby** - Open to ages 7-18, free to enter. For more information call Trudi Skedsvold, 701-651-7518.

Sat., Sept. 4
6-8 p.m. - **Alexander Lions Club Hamburgers In The Park** - Every Saturday evening until Labor Day. Alexander City Park.

Tues., Sept. 7, 5-7 p.m. & Sept. 21, 2-4 p.m.
Food Pantry Handouts - First Lutheran Church, 212 2nd St. NW. For more information call McKenzie Co. Extension Office, 701-444-3451 or visit McKenzie Co. Food Pantry Facebook page for dates, times & updates.

Thurs., Sept. 16 & 30
2-4 p.m. - **Food Giveaway** - First Presbyterian Church, 316 4th Ave. NE.

Sat., Sept. 18
11 a.m.-5 p.m. - **21st Annual Heritage Day** - Old time machinery demonstrations, family games, food, live music, local artists & more. Heritage Park, 904 2nd Ave. SW.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT Zone. **Sat., Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16**
9 a.m.-12 p.m. - **Main Street Market** - Hedderich's Lot. Vendors, sponsor activity, food truck & music.

Fri., Sept. 10
11:30 a.m. - **Tioga, ND Norseman Museum Grand Opening** - Museum opens 11:30 a.m.; Free BBQ, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.; entertainment & door prizes, 4-6 p.m.; 108 Welo St., Tioga, ND.

Sat., Sept. 11
7 a.m.-12 p.m. - **XWA Air Show** - Free and open to all ages, masks required indoors. Fly-in pancake breakfast, 7 a.m.; airplane rides and displays, 7-10 a.m.; ribbon cutting & open house, 9 a.m.; air show, 10-11:30 a.m. 14151 Commerce Dr. For more information visit cityofwilliston.com.

Thurs., Sept. 16
2-6 p.m. - **NW North Dakota Semi-Annual Job Fair** - All industries. The Well, Williston State College. For more information visit jobsnd.com/JobFair.

Fri., Sept. 17 & Sat., Sept. 18
6 p.m. - **American Legion presents Fall Round Up Night At The Races** - All classes, races start at 7 p.m. Williston Basin Speedway. For more information visit www.willistonbasinspeedway.com.

Sat., Sept. 18 & Sun., Sept. 19
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - **Pitching For The Paws Co-Ed Softball Tournament** - Food truck, silent auction items, concessions inside & vendor. Western Star Complex. Proceeds to benefit MonDak Animal Rescue. \$175 registration, deadline Sept. 12. For more information contact Bekka Johnson, 701-770-4266 or bekka.erdman@hotmail.com.

DAWSON COUNTY

Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT Zone **Sat., Sept. 4, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. & Sun., Sept. 5, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.**

Gathering of the Gamers 2021 - D&D, WarHammer, Magic the Gathering, LARP, & more. \$5 per person per day, Eastern Plains Event Center.

Sun., Sept. 5
11 a.m. - **Makoshika State Park Presents Mako-Chella A Music & Arts Festival** - Free event featuring local musicians, craft vendors, wine & beer vendors, food trucks & more. View art displays and participate in community-created murals. Live paintings & guided hikes throughout the day. Hiatt Amphitheater.

Fri., Sept. 17, 4-8 p.m.; Sat., Sept. 18, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; & Sun., Sept. 19, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Glendive Gun Show - The EPEC Building, 313 S. Merrill. For more information call Ernie, 406-377-3969.

Former Area Student Starts Job As Watford City Middle School Ag Teacher

By Anna Dragseth
The Watford City Middle School recruited a new middle school agriculture teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Grace Dragseth, a 2021 graduate of North Dakota State University, started as the new agricultural teacher and FFA advisor Aug. 25.

With this position she teaches grades 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students the various units related to plants/crops, equine science, livestock, wildlife and natural resources, shop and tool safety, woodworking, and horticulture.

Her teaching method focuses on hands-on and project-based learning to the students at Watford City Middle School.

Dragseth said, "I believe that it is so very important for children to get that hands-on experience in school; it makes learning more fun and engaging."

Dragseth graduated from Fairview High School in 2017 and was active in both area 4-H and FFA chapters.

"My whole life growing up has revolved around agriculture; living on a cattle ranch, being an active member in 4-H, starting the Fairview FFA chapter, and showing horses and cattle" said Dragseth.



Grace Dragseth shown in Watford City Middle School's Ag Classroom. (Submitted photo)

She was also a former CWE student at the MSU Richland County Extension Office in Sidney. She said, "This position helped me determine my major in Ag education and minor in agricultural extension."

She pursued the career of an agricultural teacher because she believes that agriculture is one of the most important subjects for school. She said, "It is a big part of western North Dakota with all of the oil production, farming, and ranching. I also felt like teaching agriculture was my true calling. I have a knack for agriculture and a way with children; a way of inspiring and obtaining a connection with all students."

Dragseth plans to give her students unlimited opportunities not only in the classroom but within FFA and Supervised Agricultural Experiences.

She added, "I hope to be able to cater to all of my students' interests as that's what will ultimately make them successful for the future."

We hope to see many of you in attendance! Thank you to all of you that have weathered through this storm of uncertainty, continued to support your local businesses and above all, kept positive attitudes when nothing else seemed to matter. Keep up the good work and don't ever be afraid to reach out and call us at the Extension office! We would love to hear from you!

Coffee With Agriculture 2021 Fall Weed Forum

**By Devan Leo-McKenzie
County ANR Agent
McKenzie County Farmer**

It is that time of year again! Last year in September, we held a fall weed forum incorporating specialists from NDSU Extension along with a local chemical rep. 2021 presented us with so much uncertainty that folks just don't know what to do or expect anymore. One thing I do know is Extension will always be there for you and this year is no exception! We will again be hosting an in-person Weed Forum at the Extension Office Shop on Sept. 13, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. CT!

I have enlisted three specialists to help deliver informative presentations to you, the producer. I will be discussing Hoary Alyssum, a perennial that spreads easy and can be a nuisance in many areas. We have a large prevalence of it in McKenzie County and it does hold some toxicity to livestock. It isn't widely recognized, but it is still a weed. Brian Jenks, North Central Research Extension Center Weed Scientist, will be talking on fall weed control practices and also weed control in dry conditions. We have also invited Dr. Joseph

Ikley, NDSU Weed Scientist to join in the fun. He will be discussing residual carry-over into next year with the uncertain and dry conditions. What may be our options for crop rotation if we do not get enough precipitation to effectively dilute out the residual herbicides applied? This topic will be well discussed!

We are hoping to also get some local chemical reps to join in on the conversation and give us some updates on what might be new or upcoming as far as pesticide control. To register for this event, you may call the McKenzie County Extension

office at: 701-444-3451 or email Devan Leo, McKenzie County Extension Agent, at: devan.leo@ndsu.edu. There will be door prize drawings for those in attendance.

We hope to see many of you in attendance! Thank you to all of you that have weathered through this storm of uncertainty, continued to support your local businesses and above all, kept positive attitudes when nothing else seemed to matter. Keep up the good work and don't ever be afraid to reach out and call us at the Extension office! We would love to hear from you!

Missing Fairview Child Found

Submitted by Richland County Sheriff's Office

On the evening of August 23, 2021, the Richland County Sheriff's Office received a report of a missing 2-year-old from a rural residence located west of Fairview. Subsequently it was determined that the child wandered away from the family residence. After approximately a 4-hour search the child was located and taken to Sidney Health Center to be checked out as the child had been subjected to the elements.

The Sheriff extends his gratitude to the Fairview Fire Department, Richland County Ambulance Service, Roosevelt County Sheriff K-9 Unit, Richland County D.E.S., Richland County Sheriff Office staff, Sidney Health Center, and all the concerned citizens for their dedication and hard work to locate and care for this child.

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Phone Scam In Richland County

Submitted by Robert Burnison, Undersheriff Richland County Sheriff's Office

It has come to the attention of Law Enforcement in Richland County that residents in our county have been receiving phone calls from a person claiming to be Officer or Detective Baker with the Richland County Sheriff's Office. He then tells them that there is a warrant for their arrest demanding money and says if they don't pay, someone will be coming to arrest them. They may leave a message for you to call a number that they provide or tell you that if you need to purchase an amount of gift cards to be turned over to him, you will not be arrested.

Remember the caller may know information about you that makes you feel like they must know what they are talking about, or they are from local law enforcement. Information can be found through other sources about all of us, like the internet or social media. You may also be left a message on your phone answering device, where they request an "Urgent" call back, giving you a number to call.

When law enforcement make phone contacts, they do not demand payment or make statements that if you do not send money or give instruction to purchase gift cards in exchange for not being arrested.

Some tips that may help you recognize a phone

Scam

- The scammer demands immediate payment.
- Demand payment for a warrant or they will be coming to their home or place of employment to arrest them.
- Ask for debit and credit card numbers or bank account numbers over the phone.
- Demand you use a specific payment method for payment.
- Make threats to have someone arrested by local law enforcement if you don't pay.
- Scammers change the way they contact their victims, by saying they are with law enforcement, the IRS, or Social Security. In all cases they want to scam the person out of money.

CRIMESTOPPERS and local law enforcement do not want you to be a victim of a scam. If you receive a call like this or feel that you are being pressured into doing something that doesn't seem right, please check into it by talking to someone you know or to contact the Sidney Police Department at 406-433-2210 or Richland County Sheriff's Office at 406-433-2919. Please pass this information on to others.

If you have knowledge or information on any crimes in Richland County, contact CRIMESTOPPERS by calling 406-433-6666 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. You can also contact Crimestoppers in Richland County anytime (24/7) by going to our New

Crimestoppers website at www.richlandcs.com then going to Submit a Web Tip or by texting the code "CSRC plus your message to: 274637 (CRIMES). You can also contact the Richland County Sheriff's Office at 406-433-2919. You may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

The new Richland County Crimestoppers restarted in 2013 has already paid individuals providing information to law enforcement that led to the arrest of those committing crimes in Richland County.

Richland County Crimestoppers has a new Web page format and Facebook page, please check it

out and hit Like.

** Check the Wanted Person section of the Richland County Crimestoppers website each week for those wanted in Richland County. At least one new entry will be posted each week with photo if available. Crimestoppers is asking for information that would help lead to the arrest of those with an active warrant in Richland County.

Remember: As with all Crimestoppers tips, calls are not recorded, and the call will remain confidential. You may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information concerning this case or any other serious crime.

OBITUARY

Jeremy J. Norby, 41 Sidney, MT

Funeral mass for Jeremy J. Norby, 41, Sidney, MT is at 10 a.m., Friday, Sept. 3, 2021 at Richland County Event Center with Father Francis Schreiber as presider.

The wake service is 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Sidney, MT. The wake service is open to all Jeremy's friends and family.

Interment will be in Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT under the care of Fulkerson-Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT.

In lieu of flowers the family strongly suggests a memorial made to Rocky and Jeremy Scholarship Fund, Foundation for Community Care-Ambulance Fund or a charity of one's choice.

Visitation will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021 at the funeral home and one hour before service at the Event Center.

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

Jeremy passed away early Saturday morning, Aug. 28, 2021 at Sidney Health Center Emergency Room.

Sidney Health Center Announces Area Births For July

Myles Clark Koppinger was born Saturday, July 31, 2021, to Emmarie and Kyle Koppinger, Sidney. He weighed 7 lbs., 14.9 oz. Maternal grandparents are Karen Schledewitz and Jo Schledewitz and paternal grandparents are LeeAnn and Gene Koppinger. He joins brothers Hayden and Barrett.

Hazel KaeAnn Emly was born Wednesday, July 28, 2021, to Justina and Michael Emly, Sidney. She weighed 9 lbs., 2.4 oz. Maternal grandparents are Justin DeMary and Anna Madison and paternal grandparents are Arnold Emly and Tina Emly. She joins brothers Jessie and Alex.

Warren Richard Gorder was born Wednesday, July 21, 2021, to Tessa and Brennan Gorder, Sidney. He weighed 7 lbs., 2.3 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Pamela and Richard Dahl and paternal grandparents are Shane and Lisa Gorder. He joins brother Jarrett.

Harper Renee Embler was born Monday, July 19, 2021, to Johanna Hellickson and Dalton Embler, Plentywood. She weighed 8 lbs., 14.3 oz. Maternal grandfather is Todd Hellickson and paternal grandparents are Joe and Glenda Embler.

Everett Forest Orpin was born Friday, July 16, 2021, to Jessica and Samuel Orpin, Sidney. He weighed 7 lbs., 4.4 oz. Maternal grandparents are Greg and Star Harvie and paternal grandparents are Mike and Judy Orpin. He joins sister Imogene.

Emmett Mitchell Larsen was born Thursday, July 15, 2021, to Cyresha and Jens Larsen, Williston, ND. He weighed 7 lbs., 7.9 oz. Maternal grandmother is Crystal Van Hook and paternal grandparents are Crystal and Norman Larsen. He joins brother Julien.

Harlan Jet Hokenson was born Thursday, July 8, 2021, to Alanna and Anthony Hokenson, Alexander, ND. He weighed 7 lbs., 10.5 oz. Maternal grandparents are EJ Kristin Tervo and paternal grandparents are George and Carol Hokenson. He joins sisters Telja, Eleanna, Lucille and brothers Henrik, Lars and Ivan.

Laken Evan Lance Knudson was born Wednesday, July 7, 2021, to Jauslynn Niblock and Logan Knudson, Sidney. He weighed 4 lbs., 12.4 oz. Maternal grandparents are Izzy and Steven Niblock and paternal grandparents are Cheryl and Walter Knudson.

Evelyn Rae Iron Cloud was born Thursday, July 1, 2021, to Haley Jackson and Neal E Iron Cloud, Jr., Wolf Point. She weighed 7 lbs., 11.1 oz. Maternal grandmother is Cynthia Birdsbill and paternal grandmother is Linda Iron Cloud.

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Eastern A Volleyball Tip Off Tournament Results, Aug. 27-28, Sidney

Submitted by Chris Lee
Congrats to Billings Central and Havre on their first and second place finishes. There was 46 volleyball games in two days on our brand new floor...what a first test for that floor!

Thank you to all the teams, officials, workers, sponsors, fans and players! We had a good time hosting and we hope you enjoyed your stay in Sidney. If any attendees have any feedback from the tournament I am all ears!

There was a few hiccups with NFHS Network but I hope your fans were able to watch a majority of your games. Thank you also to KG CX Eagle 93.1 and the radio stations that aired the games.

Court 1: Friday
Dawson Co vs. Custer Co: Set 1: 12-20 Custer; Set 2: 20-18 Dawson
Sidney vs. Dawson Co: Set 1: 9-20 Dawson; Set 2: 6-20 Dawson
Central vs. Fergus: Set 1: 20-6 Central; Set 2: 20-11 Central
Fergus vs. Lockwood: Set 1: 20-12 Fergus; Set 2: 20-10 Fergus
Havre vs. Park: Set 1: 20-10 Havre; Set 2: 20-10 Havre
Park vs. Custer Co: Set 1: 20-14 Park; Set 2: 20-15 Park
Laurel vs. Fergus: Set 1: 20-18 Laurel; Set 2: 20-13 Laurel
Park vs. Laurel: Set 1: 20-16 Park; Set 2: 19-20 Laurel
Fergus vs. Havre: Set 1: 15-20 Havre; Set 2: 11-20 Havre
Park vs. Dawson Co: Set 1: 15-20 Dawson; Set

2: 20-18 Park
Dawson Co vs. Lockwood: Set 1: 20-10 Dawson; Set 2: 20-12 Dawson
Fergus vs. Hardin: Set 1: 8-20 Hardin; Set 2: 8-20 Hardin
Havre vs. Hardin: Set 1: 20-17 Havre; Set 2: 20-15 Havre
Court 2 (east) Aug. 27
Sidney vs. Hardin: Set 1: 12-20 Hardin; Set 2: 14-20 Hardin
Hardin vs. Custer Co: Set 1: 19-20 Custer; Set 2: 11-20 Custer
Lockwood vs. Laurel: Set 1: 10-20 Laurel; Set 2: 16-20 Laurel
Laurel vs. Central: Set 1: 18-20 Central; Set 2: 5-20 Central
Sidney vs. Custer Co: Set 1: 14-20 Custer; Set 2: 17-20 Custer
Havre vs. Sidney: Set 1: 20-10 Havre; Set 2: 20-17 Havre
Central vs. Lockwood: Set 1: 20-11 Central; Set 2: 20-8 Central
Dawson Co vs. Hardin: Set 1: 13-20 Hardin; Set 2: 19-20 Hardin
Hardin vs. Lockwood: Set 1: 20-7 Hardin; Set 2: 20-19 Hardin
Laurel vs. Custer Co: Set 1: 20-8 Laurel; Set 2: 20-15 Laurel
Central vs. Sidney: Set 1: 20-9 Central; Set 2: 20-5 Central
Havre vs. Central: Set 1: 13-20 Central; Set 2: 20-18 Havre
Park vs. Fergus: Set 1: 20-16 Park; Set 2: 19-20 Fergus
Court 1 (west) Aug. 28
Park vs. Central: Set 1: 5-20 Central; Set 2: 12-20 Central
Lockwood vs. Park: Set

1: 19-20 Park; Set 2: 17-20 Park
Fergus vs. Sidney : Set 1: 20-18 Fergus; Set 2: 20-15 Fergus
Fergus vs. Custer Co: Set 1: 20-13 Fergus; Set 2: 20-13 Fergus
Havre vs. Dawson Co: Set 1: 20-15 Havre; Set 2: 20-15 Havre
Custer Co vs. Lockwood: Set 1: 20-19 Custer; Set 2: 20-17 Custer
Custer Co vs. Havre: Set 1: 20-8 Havre; Set 2: 20-5 Havre
Hardin vs. Park: Set 1: 20-16 Hardin; Set 2: 13-20 Hardin
Central vs. Hardin : Set 1: 20-14 Central; Set 2: 20-19 Central
Dawson Co vs. Laurel: Set 1: 20-10 Dawson; Set 2: 20-16 Dawson
Court 2 (east) Aug. 28
Central vs. Custer Co: Set 1: 20-7 Central; Set 2: 20-4 Central
Laurel vs. Hardin: Set 1: 20-18 Laurel; Set 2: 16-20 Hardin
Lockwood vs. Havre: Set 1: 20-15 Havre; Set 2: 20-11 Havre
Park vs. Sidney: Set 1: 20-12 Park; Set 2: 10-20 Sidney
Laurel vs. Sidney: Set 1: 20-15 Laurel; Set 2: 20-14 Laurel
Central vs. Dawson Co: Set 1: 20-19 Central; Set 2: 20-8 Central
Havre vs. Laurel: Set 1: 20-12 Havre; Set 2: 20-18 Havre
Fergus vs. Dawson Co: Set 1: 11-20 Dawson; Set 2: 10-20 Dawson
Sidney vs. Lockwood: Set 1: 20-16 Sidney; Set 2: 20-19 Sidney

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Wed., Sept. 8: French toast, sausage links, hash browns, orange juice.

Savage School
Thurs., Sept. 2: Nachos.
Fri., Sept. 3: No school.
Mon., Sept. 6: No school.
Tues., Sept. 7: Pork roast, mashed potatoes and gravy.
Wed., Sept. 8: Slushburgers.

Froid School
Thurs., Sept. 2: Hot dogs on buns, baked beans, chips, watermelon.
Fri., Sept. 3: Sub sandwiches, macaroni salad, veggies, fruit.
Mon., Sept. 6: No school.
Tues., Sept. 7: Tater tot casserole, buns, fruit.
Wed., Sept. 8: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, veggies, buns, dessert.

Bainville School
Thurs., Sept. 2: BBQ chicken, potato bites, broccoli, orange slices.
Fri., Sept. 3: Chicken pasta, garlic toast, green salad, bananas.
Mon., Sept. 6: No school.
Tues., Sept. 7: Cheeseburger macaroni, green beans, mixed fruit.
Wed., Sept. 8: Sweet and sour meatballs, rice, stir fry veggies, pineapple.

Richey School
Thurs., Sept. 2: Tater tot casserole, green beans, fruit.
Fri., Sept. 3: No school.
Mon., Sept. 6: No school.
Tues., Sept. 7: Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, fruit.
Wed., Sept. 8: Hot dog bar,

salad bar, beans, fruit.

Culbertson School
Thurs., Sept. 2: Corn dogs, curly fries, applesauce.
Fri., Sept. 3: Pizza, peas, peaches. 2 p.m. out.
Mon., Sept. 6: No school.
Tues., Sept. 7: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, chicken gravy, corn.
Wed., Sept. 8: Hot ham and cheese, corn, mixed berry cup.

Lambert School
Thurs., Sept. 2: Tater tot hotdish, salad, buns, fruit.
Fri., Sept. 3: Corn dogs, fries, fruit.
Mon., Sept. 6: No school.
Tues., Sept. 7: Hot dogs, macaroni and cheese bake, fruit.
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Thurs., Sept. 2: Chicken burgers on buns, fries, vegetable, fruit.
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Tues., Sept. 7: Hot ham and cheese, chips, macaroni salad, fruit, dessert.
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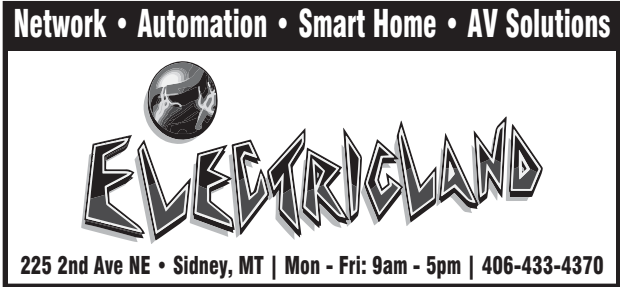
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E-Rase Your E-Waste Set For Sept. 24-25 In Sidney, Fairview

Submitted by Beth Redlin
It's on! This year's annual E-raise you E-waste event is set for Sept. 24-25 so clear out those closets and let us help you recycle all your damaged and obsolete electronics for free!

"We've had a number of questions from people asking about our fall event so we're happy to let everyone know the dates have been set," event Coordinator Heather Luinstra said last week. "It's a little later in

September than has typically been the case. Previously our fall e-waste collection events have all been held the weekend after Labor Day, but our e-cycler was tied up then so we've moved it back a couple weeks for

this year."
Sidney and Fairview are hosting joint events again this year, Luinstra noted. Collection times for the weekend event in Sidney are: 3-7 p.m., Friday, Sept. 24, and 9 a.m.- noon, Sat-

urday, Sept. 25. The event is open to area residents throughout the MonDak. Fairview's collection event is on Saturday, Sept 25 from 10 a.m.-noon.

In Sidney, the 2021 collection site is again the Richland County Shop, next to the Fairgrounds, while the Fairview collection site will be at the water station on 9th Street. Please note, drop offs can be made during event times only. As in recent years, Yellowstone E-waste Solutions out of

Billings is the e-cycler for the event.
Additional information on September's e-waste collection event will be available soon, according to Luinstra.
Now in its 17th year, the volunteer "E-raise your E-waste" program has recycled more than a half million pounds of damaged or obsolete electronics from this area, helping to preserve the life of the local landfill, and to protect the health of local citizens and the environment.

Sept. 28: Deadline For Submission Of McKenzie County Community Foundation Grants

Submitted by Marcia Hellandsaas, McKenzie County NDSU Extension Agent
The McKenzie County Community Foundation invites area 501 (c) (3) nonprofit, government agencies (groups without such designation may enlist a fiscal sponsor) to apply for their grant offerings—totaling \$9700.
Applications are due by September 28. Go to www.NDCF.net/McKenzieCounty and click on Apply for Grant. The Local Advisory Committee Members (Marcia Hellandsaas, Jan Dodge, Daniel Stenberg, Ty Skarda, Desiree Sorenson, Douglas Rolfson, Gaye Dvirnak) will discuss the applications and determine grant awards in early October.
Many sectors of area communities have benefitted from McKenzie County Community Foundation grants in the past. Parks and Recreation, youth services, emergency services and healthcare is just a few of the entities that have

received funding.
We receive many more requests for funds than we can fulfill. Gifts for our endowment are welcomed and accepted year round. Our fund and certain donations will qualify for a 40% state income tax credit for those in or out of the state filing in North Dakota. The McKenzie County Community Foundation operates under the umbrella of the North Dakota Community Foundation and is a qualified 501c3.
Please address questions about the tax credit, anonymous giving or other services of the NDCF, to John Heinen, our regional support person, at john@ndcf.net. All inquiries are kept confidential.
McKenzie County Community Foundation Chair Marcia Hellandsaas can help you with local questions. She can be reached at 701-444-3451.


Sidney Youth Center Is Back!!

Submitted by Sean Dodds, Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center
Today's youth are facing more stress and anxiety than ever before, which has led to an increase in youth mental health and substance abuse issues in Richland County over the years. Since Sidney Public Schools switched to a fourday week back in the fall of 2020 we, as a community, have been searching for a way to keep students engaged in healthy activities during their extra day off

each week.
Sidney Public Schools, along with the Drug Free Communities Coalition and Faith Alliance Church, have teamed up to bring you the Sidney Youth Center. Our goal is to provide a safe place where student's grades 6-12 can come to hang out, play games, do homework, and get some free tutoring if they need it!
"This has been something our community has wanted and needed for quite some time now," says Jaylea Siroky, the DFC coordinator, "and even before switching

to a four-day week we've struggled to provide a resource for kids to relax or receive support outside of school. I'm excited to see how we can build on this in the future!"
The Sidney Youth Center will be reopening on Friday, Sept. 17. Kids are welcome to come anytime between 1-4 p.m., and we will continue to be open on every Friday that kids are not required to be in school.
We are still actively searching for adults who are passionate about helping youth in our community to


volunteer during these days. Anyone who is interested should contact Harry Owczarek, pastorharry@faithalliancesidney.org or Sean Dodds, sdodds@emcmhc.org for more information.
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Watford City Heritage Day Set For Sept. 18

By Anna Dragseth
The McKenzie County Watford City Heritage Park, located at 950 2nd Ave. SW, west of Watford City, will be celebrating its 21st Annual Heritage Day with a new building and mural. On Saturday, Sept. 18 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., the Park will be filled with fun family games, food, live music, local artists, and much more.
Attendees will have the opportunity to visit the historic buildings, look at antique tractors, and participate in old-time school activities.
Sandy Rieker, Pioneer Museum Director of Operations, said, "The main purpose of Heritage Day is

to give everyone the opportunity to enjoy experiencing the old equipment and getting them all up and running. We also do it to educate the public on days gone by."
The Park's buildings include a trapper's cabin, country school, blacksmith shop, homestead shack, law office, church, barber shop and more. All of these buildings were once up and running throughout McKenzie County. It also has a belt-driven sawmill, square baler, and shingle mill. These will be in operation the day of the event.
Many items that are at the Heritage Park can still be found on a farm,

but usually not in working order. At the event, there will be demonstrations on how these things are operated.
Rieker said, "I am so excited to have the opportunity for people to see how beautiful our building is and the potential it has to serve the community."
She said, "Come to Heritage Day to explore the way people lived in McKenzie County many years ago and to enjoy all the activities the event has to offer."
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Rabe Cote Memorial Race - Championship Night Results

Williston Basin Speedway Coca Cola Championship Racing Results, Aug. 28

IMCA Hobby Stock A Feature 1

1st Place: Riese Dignan, Kenmare, ND, 144
2nd Place: Dennis Breivik II, Williston, ND, 11B
3rd Place: Vance Tomlinson, Max, ND, 3T
4th Place: Andrew Bertsch, Minot, ND, 146
5th Place: John Flory Jr, Williston, ND, 18
6th Place: Kyler Satran, Minot, ND, 22
7th Place: Jay Loughman, Rugby, ND, 7

IMCA Modified A Feature 1

1st Place: Travis Hagen, Williston, ND, 14T
2nd Place: Chris Schroeder, Williston, ND, 6
3rd Place: Wayne Johnson, Minot, ND, 4J
4th Place: John Flory, Williston, ND, 19
5th Place: Eric Sinness, Williston, ND, 88
6th Place: Tommy Lee, Grenora, ND, 17X
7th Place: Marcus Tomlinson, Turtle Lake, ND, 5T
8th Place: Austin Caruthers, Williston, ND,

28C
9th Place: Tim Dignan, Kenmare, ND, 5D
10th Place: Richard Bohlman, Tioga, ND, 4

IMCA Northern Sportmod A Feature 1

1st Place: Darren Medler, Minot, ND, 74
2nd Place: Darren Schatz, Williston, ND, 29
3rd Place: Brady Bjella, Williston, ND, 99
4th Place: Nick Lund, Crosby, ND, 13
5th Place: Caden Roberts, Dickinson, ND, 19
6th Place: Tate Johnson, Medicine Lake, MT, 413
7th Place: CJ Peterson, Richey, MT, 14P
8th Place: Tanner Conlin, Williston, ND, 47
9th Place: Rick Hanson, Williston, ND, 24X
10th Place: Philip Keller, Sidney, MT, 9

IMCA Stock Car A Feature 1

1st Place: Dalton Flory, Williston, ND, 20F
2nd Place: Jake Nelson, Williston, ND, 10J
3rd Place: Mike Hagen, Williston, ND, 27X
4th Place: Rob Stenvold, Minot, ND, 12



Riese Dignan, Kenmare, takes the checkered flag in the Hobby Stock division. Dignan was also track champion for the season. Other track champions were Landon Gaudreau, Slingshots; Brady Bjella, Northern Sportmods; Travis Hagen, Modified and Dalton Flory, Stock Car.

5th Place: Dave Swallers, Williston, ND, 11	Minot, ND, 67	Williston, ND, 6	6th Place: Weston Uranker, Williston, ND, 1W
6th Place: Justin Bachmeier, Williston, ND, 16B	Junior Slingshots A Feature 1	3rd Place: Matt Sorenson, Williston, ND, 110	7th Place: Sawyer Gaudreau, Williston, ND, 17
7th Place: Adam Goff, Minot, ND, 30A	1st Place: Landon Gaudreau, Williston, ND, 10X	4th Place: Hailey Mattox, Ray, ND, 11M	
8th Place: Joren Boyce, Minot, ND, 67	2nd Place: Sage Borud, Williston, ND, 26B	5th Place: Bayley Grile, Williston, ND, 26B	

Planning Continues For New Clinic & Hospital In Williston

Submitted by Caitlin Pallai, Communications Strategist, City of Williston

Williston - Since signing a Letter of Intent (LOI) earlier this year with the vision to enhance health care in the Williston community and region, the City of Williston and Sanford Health have been working diligently to determine details of an agreement. When finalized later this year, the agreement will outline project timelines, operational responsibilities and financing.

"We are excited to fur-

ther our vision for enhancing health care in Williston and the surrounding communities, and we are committed to that goal," said Dr. Michael LeBeau, MD, president/CEO of the Bismarck region of Sanford Health. "Projects of this caliber take time. We appreciate the community's patience as we work toward finalizing the definitive agreement."

The City of Williston and Sanford Health will keep the community updated on the project's status as plans progress. The City of Williston will host a public meeting

this fall to share important project updates on Williston Square and answer questions.

"We continue to work closely with Sanford Health on this project to ensure we get it right," said City of Williston Mayor Howard Klug. "As we move forward, community voices will remain a core component of the planning process."

A community board was created in April 2021 to provide planning and development oversight of Sanford's Williston operations. They will serve as the first

hospital board upon project completion.

In addition to health care, Williston Square, an 800-acre development on the former site of Sloulin Field International Airport, includes plans for a Civic Center, shopping, restaurants and new residential homes and apartment buildings.

About the City of Williston

Founded in 1887, the City of Williston is the county seat of Williams County and is situated at the confluence of the Yellowstone and Missouri Rivers. The City is a

regional hub for business, leisure, and economic development in northwest North Dakota. The City operates under the governance of a five-member Commission that includes the Mayor. The City is made up of 12 major departments and almost 400 employees. Learn more about the City of Williston at www.cityofwilliston.com.

About Sanford Health

Sanford Health, one of the largest health systems in the United States, is dedicated to the integrated delivery of health care, genomic medicine,

senior care and services, global clinics, research and affordable insurance. Headquartered in Sioux Falls, SD, the organization includes 46 hospitals, 1,500 physicians and more than 200 Good Samaritan Society senior care locations in 26 states and 10 countries. Learn more about Sanford Health's transformative work to improve the human condition at sanfordhealth.org or Sanford Health News.

THE RACING ROUNDUP

Tate Johnson Continues To Excel At Circle Track

By Anna Dragseth

Tate Johnson, Homestead, MT races the No. 413 race car in the IMCA Northern SportMod class. His race car number represents Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me."

Johnson kick-started his racing career in 2016 in the IMCA Hobby Stock class and so after moving to Arizona, he transferred to Pure Stocks.

"I moved down to Arizona for a bit, and they didn't have the Hobby Stock class, so I started racing Pure Stock for 2-3 years," said Johnson.

Soon after that he started racing Sport Mods and has so far been racing full-time in that class for the past four years.

Johnson dedicates his time to several things includ-

ing college, farming, and his fiancé. He just graduated from a diesel technician program and is continuing his education for auto body; and will be getting married in October.

Despite all of these things, he still manages to dedicate most of his free time to working on his car and racing.

He said, "I spent most of my high school life working on cars and almost every Saturday at that track with my friends and family."

His dad, Brad Johnson, has raced his whole life, mostly mud racing, and his dad's friend, Blaine Bjella, got both of them into circle track.

Since Johnson's start in racing, he has raced on several tracks throughout the country including tracks in North Dakota, Wisconsin,



Arizona, Tennessee, Nevada, and even Canada.

He said, "I love traveling to different places - in March we went to Bristol, TN and that was the best thing I have ever done with racing because I got to race on a NASCAR track. I also try to hit the Las Vegas race every year- that one is a must; we always have an awesome time there!"

This year, Johnson has averaged in the top five for every race he has competed in. He notes his biggest accomplishment is being able to beat some of the racers that he idolized growing up. He added, "Some of the racers I looked up to and learned a lot from are now my rivals."

Johnson is thankful for all the support from his sponsors, family, and friends. He said, "I couldn't do it without the support of my parents Brad and Chanel Johnson and my fiancé, Kayla Brooks."



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Area Communities Carry On Tradition Of Seed Picture Creations

By Anna Dragseth
The Richland County Fair and Rodeo has been exhibiting community seed pictures from area communities for nearly 70 years. These seed pictures are designed, constructed, and brought to life with the help of community members from across the MonDak area.

Participants that help make seed pictures strategically place native seeds, plants, and other natural resources to create an artistic mosaic backdrop.

This year the communities of Fairview, Savage, Sidney/Crane, and Ridgelawn submitted seed pictures. Ridgelawn received 1st place, Fairview 2nd, Sidney/Crane 3rd, and Savage taking 4th.

The Ridgelawn group consisted of Ruth Iversen, Leann Pelvit, Larry and Marilyn Schmitt, Marlys Dynneson, Margaret Bradley, Alida Dore, Loretta Dowse, Joe and Becky Bradley, Emily Hoff, Renee Trout and her family, and Paula Bostrom; with the group's oldest participant being 101 years old and the youngest 13 years.

In the past, there have been many more submissions and communities participating in the competition.

"There used to be several communities that have participated; I think there used to be about 12-15 communities throughout history that made seed pictures," said Margaret



Ridgelawn's first place seed picture.

Bradley, who helped create the Ridgelawn seed picture.

Bradley has been helping create seed pictures for 40 years. She said, "It has been a tradition in the county for several years; communities did seed pictures way before I started doing them."

The group starts the project months before the fair and spends several hours working on their unique art pieces. All materials used must be natural and native to that community; the material must be 100% plant and/or natural resources grown or produced locally (rocks, coal, twigs, tree bark, etc.). All materials must retain its own natural color and there can be no artificial dying

Some examples of things used on the pieces are

grape seeds, beets, flax, poppy seeds, safflower, popcorn, eggshells, milkweed, lentils, corn, wool, leather, scoria, and flower petals.

After the completion and judging is done, the communities sell or donate the seed pictures to area businesses and/or people in their respective communities.

Bradley explained that the seed pictures are a great way to bring the community together. She said, "It is really enjoyable for everyone. It encourages community togetherness and is a good fellowship with our neighbors."

She also explained that she wished more communities would get restarted. "There are people in those communities that should get together and make a seed picture."

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Montana BOW Program Introduces Women To The Outdoors



By Anna Dragseth
Becoming an Outdoors Woman (BOW) has been introducing women from all backgrounds to the outdoors by exposing them to fishing, hunting, shooting, archery, and much more. BOW is a non-profit, educational program offering hands-on workshops to adult women.
“The program is all about like-minded women coming together to try something new. It can be scary to try something like shotgun shooting or fly fishing for the first time, but everyone is always so supportive of their fellow participants,” said Sara Smith, Montana BOW Coordinator.
The “Original BOW” workshop is a 3-day, multi-course event with more than 20 classes to choose from including fly fishing, bird watching, archery, shotgun and rifle shooting, wildlife habitat, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, camping, nature photography, basic fishing, boat and trailer, and more. Several states also offer “Beyond BOW” opportunities which include 1–3-day events with a single activity such as kayaking on a local lake, a

weekend camping trip, or an archery clinic. “BOW Destinations” are specialty trips to special destinations offered in partnership with Green Edventures. The program even has an upcoming trip planned to Iceland.
Montana’s BOW program offers activities unique to Montana. More recently Montana BOW members practiced using bear spray on a charging bear target. The event offered bear encounter safety talks and learned how to prevent conflict with bears.
“Classes are for beginners so everyone attending is starting at the same level. We also usually provide the gear to learn these new skills, as cost of gear can be a barrier to trying something new. This way participants can “try before they buy” and decide if it’s something they love and want to invest in. The volunteers who teach these classes are experts in their fields and many have taught with the BOW program for over 20 years,” said Smith.
Montana BOW also offers partial scholarships for women aged 18 years



and older who are full-time residents of Montana and who have not previously attended a BOW event. These scholarships enable women to participate in BOW who otherwise may not be able to afford the full registration fee.
To join BOW, no experience is necessary - it is for women of all ages, backgrounds, and fitness levels. For more information on the Montana program visit <https://fwp.mt.gov/education/becoming-an-outdoors-woman>.

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Sidney Cross Country Competes in Billings

Ryleigh Kleinke running in the Billings Invitation cross country meet last Friday in Billings. (Photo by Tonya Schoepp)



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Letter To The Editor

Bragging On Our Community

Fellowship Food Bank gives away food six days a week. This constitutes thousands of pounds of food to hundreds of hungry Richland County residents. Our greatest need (usually) is frozen beef and non-perishable food items. However, we made the conscious choice in 2008 (when we started) not to fundraise in the community so this can remain our gift to the community and not compete with other charitable organizations.

The chief difference between our food bank, and the county food bank, is that (A) we don't ask for donations, as explained above (B) we serve food every day (C) we make deliveries to the house bound and elderly if necessary and (D) we don't require certain things to help, like in-county residency or limitations on frequency of use.

One other difference, I suppose, is that although we don't preach or proselytize to those who need food, we slip in a Bible with their food (without a word spoken) and our volunteers wear a name-tag that reads, "How can I pray for you?" We help everyone without discrimination of any kind, including lifestyle choices, color, creed, address, or religion.

Meanwhile, every police officer or deputy, mental health worker, social worker, or pastor of any church is welcome to use our pantry whenever they need it to help others (all you have to do is receive a 30-minute training on how to let yourself in and out of the pantry, etc). You can call 406-433-4004 to set up a time to learn how to utilize our pantry yourself to help those under your care.

However, being low on beef, I recently approached Steve Lunderby and asked if he had any beef he could sell us at a discount. Instead, Lunderby gave us the beef to feed the hungry. And he gave us more than our many freezers could hold. We passed some of that along to ROI and Eastern Montana Bible Camp (what we could not fit). That beef happened to be processed at M3 Meats, and all we had to do was pay for the butchering.

However, when we went to M3, they refused to charge us for their work, as a part of their own service to the community. With every freezer full, we passed some of that along to adoptive and foster parents to help feed their families.

I want to thank Lunderby and M3 for their extreme generosity, and to the entire Sidney Community for letting us serve the hungry. As the Fellowship Baptist Church, it is our blessing and honor to help the unfortunate who, from time to time, need a hand-up.

Also deserving special thanks in this effort is Reynolds Market, for letting us be a part of the Friends of Reynolds Program, who provides a small return to our food bank when our church members use a special code when checking out our groceries. It's not that much, but every bit helps.

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Jordan Hall, Sidney

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