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Foundation For Community Care's 31st Annual Wine & Food Festival Set For Nov. 2

The 31st Annual Wine & Food Festival will be happening on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 5-9 p.m. at the Richland County Event Center. There will be wine tasting, local food vendors will be serving up a taste of home-cooked inspired meals, and a live entertainment provided by stunt comedian Matt Baker will make you laugh out loud. Works of amazing local artists will also be on display to browse and bid on through the online auction.

This year's theme is "Home is Where Your Healthcare is". You know that wonderful experience of coming home and being at ease, feeling safe, secure, stable, and comfortable? That's what it feels like to have excellent healthcare in your own community. That's what this night is all about---celebrating the excellent access to healthcare that we have here in our community.

Don't miss out on all the fun:

Taste the delicious home-cooked inspired food prepared by featured vendors.

Sip your way around wine, sangria, beer, and Pepsi products.

Stop by the ever-popular Wine Pull table, purchase a chance, and open for a surprise.

Get your pictures taken at the HootBooth photo kiosk.

View the art auction display by our featured artists (the auction opens on Oct. 28 and will close at the event).

Relax, sit back, and enjoy the comedy act.

This event is in partnership with Blue Rock Companies and is sponsored by Hurley's Oilfield Service, Seitz Insurance Agency, Stockman Bank, Proactive Tech Wiz, Sidney Health Center, Tri-County Imple-

ment, and Union Gateway Agency. Participating local wine and food vendors include Tongue River Winery, Island Cuisines, LeRoy's Catering, Mimi's Kitchen, Reynolds Market, Sunrise Café at Sidney Health Center, The Parlour, The Rush, and Wild Calf Coffee.

The 31st Annual Wine & Food Festival will raise money to help people in our local community receive excellent, quality, and compassionate healthcare. Some of the recent projects that the Foundation helped with include the Sidney Health Center Care Flight, Cancer Care expansion, and there are a lot more exciting things to come!

For more information about the event, to purchase tickets, and to register for the art auction, scan the QR code below with your mobile phone or give us a call at 406-488-2273.



Matt Baker photo from www.comedystuntshow.com.

Busse, Graybill Hold Town Hall In Sidney



Ryan Busse. Photo submitted. (Credit Amanda Guy Photography)

By Dianne Swanson

Ryan Busse, Democrat candidate for governor of Montana, fulfilled a lifelong dream when he moved from his farm/ranch community in Kansas to Kalispell 30 years ago and had a career as the vice president of sales for Kimber, one of the largest gun manufacturers in the United States. "This place made me a better person," he said. His running mate Raph Graybill is a 5th generation Montanan who has a long history in Montana politics and whose grandfather, Leo, chaired the 1972 Constitutional Convention.

Busse and Graybill wish to restore the basic fabric of the state by returning to the 1972 Montana Constitution which Busse says Governor Gianforte has repeatedly ignored. They want a Montana where regular people can expect to pay reasonable property taxes, find affordable housing, a great public education for their children and keep government out of doctors' offices.

Property tax relief is high on Busse's priority list. He says that the governor misused the recent \$2.6 billion dollar surplus by giving tax breaks to big corporations while everyday homeowners saw property tax increases, making housing in some areas more expensive than even California.

"People can't afford to live where they work," Busse stated. "I know of teachers who have to drive 100 miles just to get to work. Gianforte is tone deaf to it." He said he was recently in Havre where the city is struggling to hire police officers, partly because of the high cost of housing. The property tax increases hit renters particularly hard since rental properties did not qualify for any of the rebates and property owners usually had to raise rents. Farms and ranches that are incorporated also suffered since they did not qualify either. "We are in peril because of the decisions the governor is making," Busse said.

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NDDOT & McKenzie County Celebrate Completion Of US 85 Project Near Watford City



Representatives from the NDDOT, Williams & McKenzie Counties, Williston, Watford City, project engineers & contractors gathered for a ribbon cutting along U.S. Highway 85 near Watford City on Oct. 25. (Photo by Jody Wells)

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) and McKenzie County celebrated the completion of the U.S. Highway 85 four-lane project, from Watford City to the Long X Bridge, and adjacent shared-use path Friday, Oct. 25.

Chad Orn, NDDOT deputy director for plan-

ning, State Senator Brad Bekkedahl, and other state and local officials were in attendance to participate in a ribbon cutting ceremony.

"The successful completion of this Highway 85 four-lane project is a major win for the state of North Dakota," said Orn. "This heavily traveled highway received several major upgrades

that will increase safety for motorists and pedestrians, improve traffic flow and enhance the movement of goods."

The \$100 million paving project included expanding the highway to four-lanes from Watford City south to the Long X Bridge, new adjacent shared-use path, landslide repair, added wildlife

accommodations and more.

"This is truly a great day for McKenzie County and our region," said Howdy Lawlar, McKenzie County Board of County Commissioners chairman. "Thank you to NDDOT, the contractor CSI, the designers, engineers, and everyone else for their diligence in completing this project. We also thank

the citizens for their patience during construction."

For more information about construction projects and road conditions throughout North Dakota, call 511 or visit the ND Roads map at travel.dot.nd.gov.

Godfrey Honored As Distinguished Leader

By Dianne Swanson

The Sidney Kiwanis Club has had a fun month celebrating its 100th Anniversary thanks to a great committee that created programs each week to engage the membership and remind them of the long and productive history of the club.

Awards were given out on Thursday, Oct. 24. The "Most likely to" awards were voted on by the members and the winners were: Rick Norby, take a pie to the

face; Breeann Shanks, read the invocation wrong; Alan Seigfreid, get seconds on dessert; Phil Johnson, forget they joined a committee; Brian McGinnis, make a sarcastic comment; Katie Dasinger and Leif Anderson, recruit a new member; Randy Johnson, sell the most apples; Dianne Swanson, make you smile; Tami Christensen, volunteer; Gary Schoepp, come to a program.

The highlight of the day

was the presentation of the Distinguished Leader Award to Kiwanian Kali Godfrey. The award states: Sidney Kiwanis 100th Anniversary 2024 Distinguished Leader. For your exceptional leadership, sacrifices for your community and never-ending creativity. We all thank you for always being the first to help and being everyone's visionary.

Congratulations Kali!



Sidney Kiwanis Club president Elaine Stedman, left, presents Kali Godfrey with the Distinguished Leader Award. (Photo by Dianne Swanson)

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EAST FAIRVIEW SCHOOL
TURKEY BINGO!
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH • 7PM IN THE EFS GYM



Doors open at 6pm. Bingo prizes include 20 turkeys, silent auction and lots of door prizes from local businesses.

Thank you for your continued support. It is very much appreciated.

SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION FOR STEPHANIE FRIEND



November 2nd • 5pm
At The Waterhole #3
(418 Ellery Ave • Fairview, MT)

Stephanie is battling breast cancer and is facing an expensive fight. She would benefit greatly from any donation.

Free will donation serving tacos in a bag along with a variety of desserts will be offered. If you would like to donate for the auctions, contact Alysia (406-480-9643), Nicole (406-489-1255) or Jenny (406-478-9097).

AREA RECOVERY GROUPS

MONDAYS:
12 p.m. - **Monday Noon AA Group, Sidney** - Prairie Hills Fellowship Hall, 623 N. Central, enter through back entrance door, SE side.
12 p.m. - **"We Are Not Saints AA Meeting, Watford City** - Glory of the Lord Church, use back door entrance, handicap accessible.
7 p.m. - **Hope For Today Al-Anon Family Group Sidney** - Prairie Hills Fellowship Hall, 623 N. Central, enter through back entrance door, SE side.
7 p.m. - **Living Free NA Group, Sidney** - Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church, 1100 Madison Lane.
8 p.m. - **AA Meeting Watford City** - Northern Pump & Compression. Call 701-770-3603 or 701-770-2675 for directions or ride. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

TUESDAYS:
7 p.m. - **AA Welcome Home Group, Sidney** - Prairie Hills Fellowship Hall, 623 N. Central, enter through back entrance door, SE side.
7 p.m. - **Living Free NA Group, Sidney** - Candlewood Suites, 201 6th St. NW, Room 228
7 p.m. - **24-hour Women's AA Group Meeting Watford City** - Northern Pump & Compression. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

WEDNESDAYS:
6:45 p.m. - **Celebrate Recovery, Watford City** - Assembly of God (1st Wed. of month 6 p.m. Potluck)
7 p.m. - **24-Hr AA Group Meeting, Watford City** - Northern Pump & Compression. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

THURSDAYS:
7 p.m. - **Living Free NA Group, Sidney** - Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church, 1100 Madison Lane.
7 p.m. - **Al-Anon Meeting, Watford City** - Presbyterian Church, 316 4th Ave. NE.
8 p.m. - **AA Meeting, Watford City** - Northern Pump & Compression. Call 701-770-3603 or 701-770-2675 for directions or ride. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

FRIDAYS:
7 p.m. - **AA Welcome Home Group, Sidney** - Prairie Hills Fellowship Hall, 623 N. Central, enter through back entrance door, SE side
8 p.m. - **NA Meetings, Watford City** - First Lutheran Church, 212 2nd St. NW, use 3rd Ave. NW entrance.

SATURDAYS:
7 p.m. - **AA Welcome Home Group, Sidney** - Prairie Hills Fellowship Hall, 623 N. Central, enter through back entrance door, SE side.
7 p.m. - **24-Hr. AA Group Meeting, Watford City** - Northern Pump & Compression. Hotline/Info 701-609-8663.

SUNDAYS:
1 p.m. - **Sober Soaks AA/NA Meeting, Fairview** - Zion Lutheran Church, 309 S. Central Ave., Upstairs Fellowship Room.
7 p.m. - **AA Welcome Home Group, Sidney** - Prairie Hills Fellowship Hall, 623 N. Central, white building, enter through back entrance door, SE side.
7 p.m. - **Living Free NA Group, Sidney** - Candlewood Suites, 201 6th St. NW, Room 228

STATISTICS

LAKE WATER LEVEL REPORT

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Current Elevation.....	1837.9
Last Week's Elev.	1837.9
One Year Ago	1840.4
Release For Day (C.F.S.)	14,000

SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Oct. 21	80	36	0.000
Oct. 22	52	29	0.140
Oct. 23	61	28	0.000
Oct. 24	56	30	0.000
Oct. 25	58	25	0.000
Oct. 26	66	24	0.000
Oct. 27	62	32	0.000
Total 2024 YTD Precipitation	7.640		

Richland County Notice Of Taxes Due

2024 Real Property Tax Statements have been mailed and notice is hereby given that the first half of all taxes levied and assessed with be due and payable on or before 5 p.m. on Dec. 2, 2024, and that unless paid prior to that time the amount then due will be delinquent and will draw interest at the rate of 5/6 of 1% per month from and after such delinquency until paid, and 2% will be added to the delinquent taxes as a penalty.

And then the second half of all taxes levied and assessed with be due and payable on or before 5 p.m. on June 2, 2025, and that unless paid prior to that time the taxes will be delinquent and will draw interest at the rate of 5/6 of 1% per month from and after such delinquency until paid, and 2% will be added to the delinquent taxes as a penalty.

Taxes are to be paid at the County Treasurer's Office, 201 W. Main, Sidney, MT.

Letter To The Editor

Do Not Be Deceived

My main concern is regarding CI 128. This is worded in such a way that it sounds so concerning about women and their health and reproductive rights. It is attempting to change the Montana Constitution to forever state that Abortion is OK with absolutely NO limits. Also, there cannot be any charges brought against anyone for any reason for doing the abortion-no matter what the outcome may be.

It also allows minors to get abortions without their parents even knowing anything about it.

We absolutely do NOT want ANY of that in our Montana Constitution!! They can already get abortions in Montana—sorry to say!! Abortion has been brought before the courts only to fail for one reason or another. Sometimes being vetoed-President Clinton vetoed abortion bills twice—that had passed the Senate and the House! Other times, because of the wording or the failure to state an exception for the health of the mother, it gets rejected. Even that exception—for the health of the mother—can be a loophole because they stretch it include emotional, familial, age, etc. Wording is very important, and we need to pay close attention to the wording of all issues.

Abortions are not just taking a pill and it's over, either? Some are horrific. (You can do research on this as well) Have you heard of "Partial Birth Abortion", PBA? A Physician, Martin Haskell called it "dilation & extraction" or D & X. It involved dilating the cervix then pulling the fetus out until only the head remained. Using a sharp instrument the head was then punctured, and the skull crushed or removed its brains by suction. Why use this method? Because later in pregnancy—when dismembering (pulling apart) a baby becomes difficult due to the child's stronger bones and ligaments, then D & X is necessary. We need to face it—Abortion Kills.

Personally, I believe that life begins with conception and that is a baby that is as entitled to Life-Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness as the mother is. Any elimination of that baby is murder and should not be allowed—since when is murder ok and have no consequences? However, having said that, if you have ever had an abortion, there is forgiveness. When we repent and ask God's forgiveness, He is a God of forgiveness, and His mercies are new every morning!! What I have said is not against the person it is against abortion.

A much better solution is to give up the baby for adoption! And that is where things need to change to make adoptions easier and cheaper.

Please vote NO on CI 128. In fact, I have been told to vote "no" on all the ballot issues.

If you are not registered to vote, please go and get registered. Be sure to do your due diligence by researching the people, the policies and values of those on the ballot. Please go to "iVoterGuide.com"; MyFaithVotes.com; WriteNow2024.org; MillionVoices.org; Wallbuilders.com

Those are some of the Websites that have voter information. Please check them out.

Another thought—I certainly hope you are in the know enough to not pay any attention to all the outright lies that we are being hit with in all the advertisements! It ought to be against the law but apparently it isn't!

Please realize that voting is not only a privilege, but also our duty as American citizens. The election this year is the most important of our lifetime. Be sure to be committed to vote and get all your family and friends to also vote and may I say vote with patriotism and righteous values

Viola Mitchell
Glendive

Sidney Tennis Club Adds Children's Lessons

By Robyn Heck

The schedule for Sidney Tennis Club lessons has been finalized and will start on Saturday, Nov. 2.

Lessons for children has been added to the schedule. Kid's lessons will be on Fridays from 5:30-8:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Lessons for adults and juniors will be on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., and Sundays from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

The coach and teacher will be Naldy Hans.

To sign up contact Maddie at Limitless Church. Office: 406-433-2550. Cell: 701-651-9285. Email: sidneyag@midrivers.com.

You can also check out their Facebook page called Sidney, MT Tennis Club.

Richland Co. Health Department Offers Customer Satisfaction Survey

The Richland County Health Department is offering clients a customer satisfaction survey in an effort to improve the delivery of services.

The survey is available in hard copy, as a QR code, or a link, and will be offered between Oct. 21 and Nov. 20.

If you have received services at the Health Department in the past 12 months, whether that was in-person, on the phone, or via email, you are encouraged to complete the survey. Survey results will be used to develop quality improvement efforts to better meet the needs of the community.

To access the survey, visit the Health Department Facebook page, or visit <https://forms.gle/1gxV7LU5Y6Rt5Vpz7> or visit the Health Department in person Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m., alternating Fridays.

If you have questions or would like assistance in completing the survey, call 406-433-2207.



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RICHLAND COUNTY
Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT.

Wed., Oct. 30
6-9 p.m. - **Hi Line Home Programs, Inc. 1st Annual Boo Bash** - Kids trick or treating, costume contest, games, music, food trucks & more. Safe place for kids with special needs. Richland County Event Center. For more info contact Sherrie Moon, 406-228-9431.

Thurs., Oct. 31
5-6 p.m. - **Crestwood Trick Or Treat** - Join the residents for a fun night of costumes, music & trick or treating. In the dining room 410 3rd Ave. SW.
5-7 p.m. - **Trick-or-Treat Event** - For children up to 6th grade. SHC Extended Care & The Lodge.

Sun., Nov. 2
5 p.m. - **Silent & Live Auction For Stephanie Hostetler-Friend, Fairview** - A free will donation serving taco in a bag with a variety of desserts. Waterhole, Fairview. To donate contact Alysia, 406-480-9643; Nicole, 406-489-1255 or Jenny, 406-478-9097.
5-9 p.m. - **31st Annual Wine & Food Festival 2024** - Local food, live entertainment & art auctions benefiting local healthcare. Richland County Event Center.

Mon., Nov. 4, 11, 18 & 25
6-8 p.m. - **Oil Painting Course** - Learn how to mix colors, create still-life compositions & finish with your own landscape painting. Perfect for beginners or those looking to refine their skills. 4-Week Course: \$120 Members; \$130 Not Yet Members. MonDak Heritage Center, 120 3rd Ave SE, 406-433-3500, or visit <https://mondakheritagecenter.org/>.

Tues., Nov. 5-Sat., Jan. 11
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - **34th Annual MDHC Miniature Art Show** - MonDak Heritage Center. Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., 1-4 p.m. For more info call 406-433-3500, or visit <https://mondakheritagecenter.org/>.

Thurs., Nov. 7
7-9 p.m. - **Northeastern Arts Network Presents: "Jazz Legacy Project"** - Connecting Jazz & American culture with stories & popular jazz music. MonDak Heritage Center. Season tickets can be purchased at the door: adults \$60, senior \$55, & students \$35. For concert info contact Leann 406-480-5594 or Jill 406-489-4304.

Fri., Nov. 8
6 p.m. - **East Fairview School Turkey Bingo** - Doors open at 6 p.m., Bingo starts 7 p.m. Bingo prizes include 20 turkeys, silent auction & lots of door prizes from local businesses. East Fairview School Gym.

Sun., Nov. 10
11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. - **St. Catherine's Fall Dinner Fairview** - Roast turkey & roast pork, mashed potatoes & gravy, salads, pie & drink. Free will donation, all are welcome. 317 7th St., Fairview, MT. Carry outs available, call 406-742-5293.

McKENZIE COUNTY
Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT.

Wed., Oct. 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, Dec. 4, 11 & 18
6-8 p.m. - **Open Pickleball Nights** - For new or experienced players, \$7 day pass or membership required. Rough Rider Center.

Thurs., Oct. 31
3-5 p.m. - **Watford City Trail of Treats** - On Main St. or in the Vets Gym at City Hall.
5-7 p.m. - **Watford City Assembly of God Annual Fall Festival** - Free, games, food, inflatables, 2117 S. Main.

Sat., Nov. 2
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Class 1; 4-5:30 p.m. Class 2 - **Pumpkin Muffin Baking Class** - Beginners & baking enthusiasts learn a delicious & homemade recipe. Ingredients & equipment provided. Ages 10+. Cost \$45. The Merc, 100 2nd Ave. SW. For more info visit longxarts.com/events/upcoming-events/.

3:30-7 p.m. - **Badlands Watford City Meet & Greet** - Meet directly with recruiters & management, learn more about Badlands & enjoy delicious BBQ & Root Beer Floats. McKenzie County Heritage Park, 904 2nd Ave. SW.

Sat., Nov. 2, 16 & Dec. 7
10 a.m.-4 p.m. - **Paint Your Own Pottery Open Studio** - Paint a piece of pottery to be glazed & fired in the kiln. \$25 Pre-registration; \$30 Walk-ins. Long X Art Gallery, 100 2nd Ave. SW. For more info visit longxarts.com/classes/in-person-classes/.

Tues., Nov. 5
3:30-4:30 p.m. - **Teen Craft** - Make colorful friendship bracelets. Ages 13+. McKenzie County Public Library. For more info call 701-444-3785 or email librarian@co.mckenzie.nd.us.

Fri., Nov. 8, 3-8 p.m., & Sat., Nov. 9, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Men & Women's Show - Everyone's interests are covered. McKenzie County Ag Expo, 12880 25th St. NW. For more info call 701-842-EXPO or email Riley Faller, rfaller@co.mckenzie.nd.us or Chelsea Peterson at chpeter@co.mckenzie.nd.us.

Sat., Nov. 9
10 a.m.-6 p.m. - **Zen Weaving Class** - Learn the 5 basic knots of tapestry weaving & create a 7" x 9" tapestry. Supplies provided, no experience necessary. Ages 10+. Long X Art Gallery. Cost \$45. For more info visit longxarts.com/classes/in-person-classes/.

WILLIAMS COUNTY
Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT.

Wed., Oct. 30
6-8 p.m. - **Costumes On Ice** - Wear your best costume. Raymond Center, Pete Conlin Arena. Free admission for ARC members, \$5 rental, \$4 adults, \$3 youth.

Thurs., Oct. 31
3-5:30 p.m. **Downtown Williston Trail Of Treats** - Get ready to get spooky & come downtown for this trick-or-treating event.

Sat., Nov. 2
3 p.m. - **12th Annual Bras for a Cause Bra & Live Auction** - Food will be served free will donation; BFAC merchandise available. Silent auction 4 p.m., live auction 6 p.m. Upper Missouri Valley Fairgrounds Building "B". For more info contact Cheryl, 701-770-0045 or Denise, 701-570-1574.

Sun., Nov. 3
1 p.m. - **Suminagashi: Japanese Paper Marbling** - High school age & adults. The process of marbling plain paper with water & ink. \$25 Not Yet Members; 20% Member discount. James Memorial Art Center, 621 1st Ave. W. For more info visit <http://www.thejamesmemorial.org/art-classes>.

Sat., Nov. 9
9 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Faith Methodist Church Women's Bazaar** - Caramel rolls: 9-11 a.m.; Luncheon: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Craft/Handiwork/Bake/Jelly Sale: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Silent Quilt Auction: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Faith Methodist Church..

Sat., Nov. 9, 23; Dec. 14, 28
7 p.m.-Midnight - **Game Night At The James** - Bring your favorite board, card or RPG games with some friends & snacks, or join in a game with others. Free & open to the public. James Memorial Art Center. For more info call 701-774-3601.

DAWSON COUNTY
Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT.

Thurs., Oct. 31
2-5 p.m. - **Trick Or Treat** - Glendive Public Library.
3:30-5:30 p.m. - **Richey FFA Halloween Carnival** - Tickets 50c for one or \$2 for 5. The Old Gym. Bring a bucket or a bag for all your goodies from the games.

Tues., Nov. 5
9 a.m.-3:15 p.m. - **Business Plan Workshop** - FREE Small Business Development Center Business Plan Workshop! Attendees will be taken step-by-step through the business planning process. Eastern Plain Economic Development, 808 N. Merrill Ave. To register visit <https://mtsbdc.ecenterdirect.com/events/5870?embedded=0>.

Fri., Nov. 8, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. & Sat., Nov. 9, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
2024 Zonta Arts & Crafts Show - EPEC.

Sat., Nov. 9
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - **TSC Pie Contest** - Categories: Sweet; Wild Card; & Kids. Sign up at Tractor Supply by Nov. 6.

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Fairview Warriors Finish Season 9-0 Scoring 62-14 Over Wibaux



Trey Lunstad fights through tackles to get Fairview a first down. (Photo by Keri McPherson Photography)



Fairview Warrior Championship Team

Top row (L to R): Coach Darran Buxbaum, Coach Brock Schriver, Kyle Skogas, Elliot Thompson, Jaden Murphy, Trace Bain, Deacon Gackle, Tyler Loan, Wyatt McPherson, Trey Lunstad, Brady Selting, Gavin Callender, Brody Bushnell, Landon Tveit, Troy Karst, Coach Derek Gackle
Bottom row (L to R): Ryan Lustig, Jordan Schriver, Keegan Skogas, Hunter Emly, Jacob Unruh, Mykel Warden, Ryder Sadorf, Jake Schlothauer managers George Candee, Garrett McPherson, Rylan Watts. (Photo by Keri McPherson)

The top-ranked Fairview Warriors finished the regular season 9-0 with their second consecutive division title by beating Wibaux 62-14 on Senior Night. Tyler Loan threw four touchdown passes, two to Keegan Skogas and one each to Troy

Karst and Deacon Gackle. Karst also ran for two touchdowns. Wyatt McPherson added two touchdown runs. Jordan Schriver threw a touchdown pass to Gavin Callender and Trey Lunstad added the 2-point conversion to round out the scoring.

Senior linemen Brody Bushnell and Trace Bain played excellent in the trenches on both sides of the ball. The Warriors will host Sheridan in the first round of the playoffs on Saturday at 1 p.m. at Starr Field.

Rau School Student Of The Quarter

Rau School would like to announce Caleb Franck, son of William and Sooyoung Franck, as their student of the quarter for the first quarter. Caleb is a quiet and observant student. He always makes sure that he is prepared and ready to learn. Caleb is polite to staff and students alike. He always does his work to the best

of his abilities. He enjoys sharing the random pieces of knowledge that he knows whenever he can. Caleb is kind to everyone and has a fun sense of humor. He is

a hardworking student that follows the rules in and out of the classroom. Caleb enjoys wrestling, reading, and spending time with family and friends.



Caleb Franck.
(Photo submitted)

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Benefit For Stephanie Friend To Be Held Nov. 2

By Dianne Swanson
Stephanie Hostetler Friend, Fairview, is battling breast cancer at just 39 years old. To help her through this rough time, there will be a benefit on Saturday, Nov. 2 beginning at 5 p.m. at the Waterhole #3, Fairview. A free-will donation meal of taco in a bag and a variety of desserts will be served. Both a silent and a live auction will also take place.

Since her diagnosis in early June, Friend says has given her life a 360-degree turn. She has gone on a strict diet, giving up sugar and flour and more, exercising and has stopped drinking and smoking. She is working with naturopaths in Ohio to

build up her immune system and will then be doing low-dose chemotherapy.

"I know I'm coming out the other side and God will produce good fruit out of this."

Friend is married to Troy and has two small children. She works from home for Ferrellgas while Troy works for PlumbRite. She said she feels so honored and filled with gratitude for the whole community and overwhelmed by all the support she has received.

To donate an item for the silent or live auctions, please call Alysia at 406-480-9643, Nicole at 406-489-1255 or Jenny at 406-478-9097. And plan to attend the benefit on November

2nd to help out this young family.



Photo submitted

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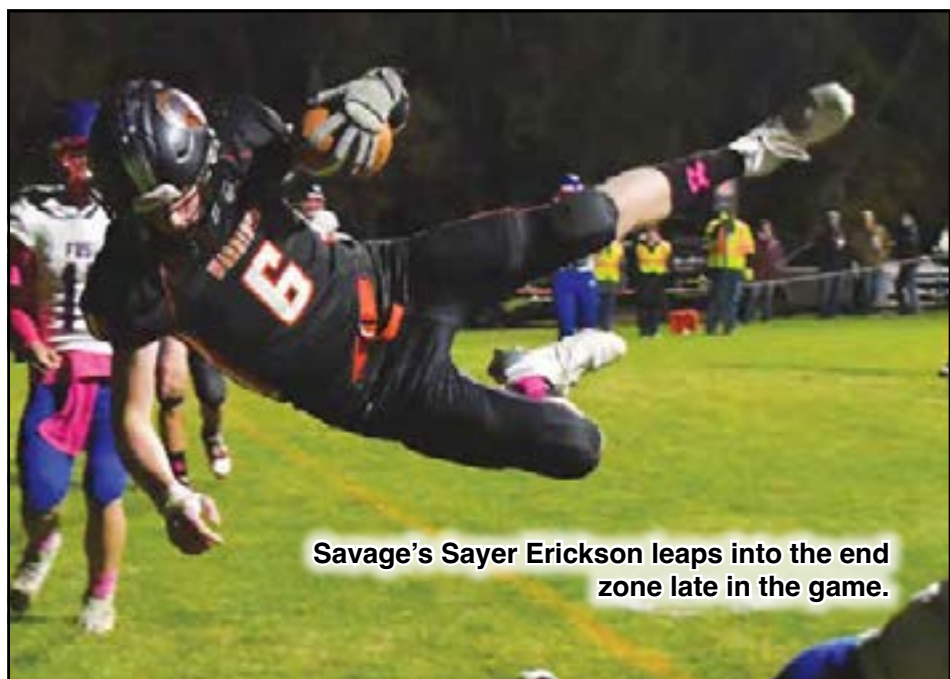
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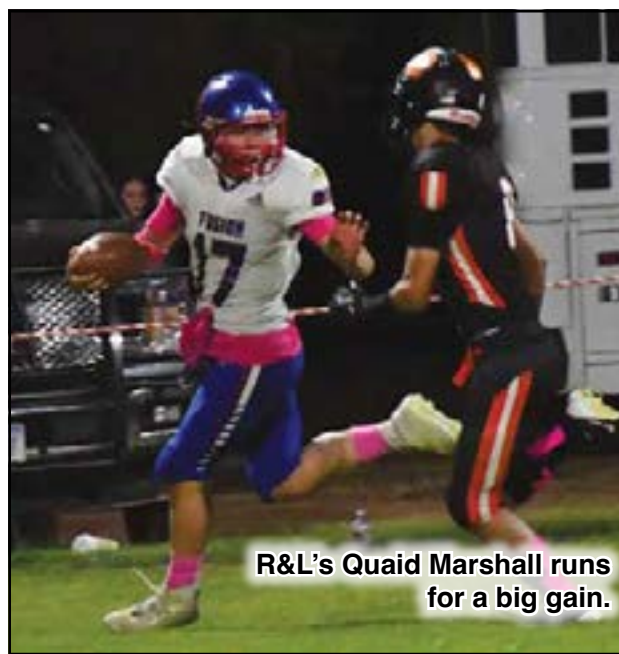
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Savage Hosts Richey/Lambert for Pink Night Volleyball & Football



Savage's Sayer Erickson leaps into the end zone late in the game.



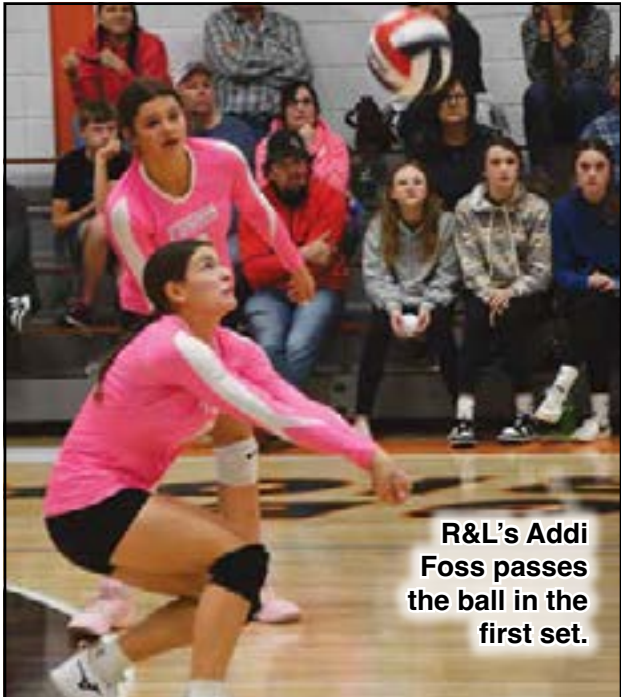
R&L's Quaid Marshall runs for a big gain.



Savage School held a fundraiser and silent action for Suzie Bergstedt during Savage Warrior Cancer Awareness Day/Night on Oct. 26. Pictured is Bergstedt and her family with the Savage volleyball team.



Savage's Miley Pilgeram tips the ball over the net during the second set.



R&L's Addi Foss passes the ball in the first set.



Eagles Beat Red Devils

Sidney Eagles volleyball team hosted Dawson County Red Devils, Oct. 24 for Senior Night for volleyball and golf. Eagles win in 5; 19-25 (1); 25-22 (2); 25-18 (3); 25-27 (4); 15-12 (5) Pictured right: #11 Maliya Nguewoun seals the win with a powerful kill. (Photo by Kaci Dean)

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How Measure 4 Affects Schools

By Teija Hokenson
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Every two years, November is a flurry of action with Election Day. This year, there are several new measures proposed in North Dakota as amendments to the state constitution. While each of these measures has its own set of benefits and challenges, measure #4 stands out as the one that will affect schools the most.

Measure #4 directly states: "This initiated measure would amend sections 1, 14, 15, and 16 and repeal sections 4, 5, 7, 9 and 10 of Article X of the North Dakota Constitution. It would prohibit political subdivisions from beyond the two and one-half percent limit and a school district, by a majority vote, could increase the indebtedness of the school district two and one-half percent beyond the two and one-half percent limit. It would allow an incorporated city, without regard to the existing indebtedness of the city, to become indebted in an amount not exceeding two percent of its full and true value for water and sewer projects. It would require a political subdivision incurring indebtedness to provide for annual revenues to pay the debt payments when due and would prohibit a political subdivision from issuing general obligation bonds secured with levying any tax on real or personal property except for the payment of bonded indebtedness incurred before the end of the

30-day period following the date this amendment was approved by the voters, until such debt is paid, and would require the state to provide replacement payments to political subdivisions of no less than the amount of tax levied on real property during the 2024 calendar year. It would limit the debt of a political subdivision to an amount not to exceed two and one-half percent of the full and true value of the real property in the political subdivision, except that an incorporated city, by a two-thirds vote, could increase the indebtedness of the city one and one-half percent tax levied on the assessed value of property on or after January 1, 2025." (Ballotpedia, 2024).

So, what does this measure mean? Essentially, it removes property tax based on assessed value. Property tax provides the state \$3.15 billion biannually, about one-sixth of the state's budget. Over 30% of the revenue provided by property tax comes from large out-of-state businesses, such as Oneok, which pays around \$19 million biannually- \$8 million in McKenzie County alone.

"What Measure Four does is put in the State Constitution that state subdivisions cannot use assessed value for property tax and assigns the responsibility of the state of North Dakota to pay political subdivisions the equivalent of whatever the 2024 political tax is," said Senator Dale Patten on

Tuesday. "1/3 of the people who would be receiving the tax relief are based out of state.

Most homeowners pay around \$2,000 a year in property tax. Yet, only 15% of property tax revenues come from individual homeowners.

"Of the top 25 property taxpayers in McKenzie County, only one has a McKenzie County address. Only three have an address in North Dakota." Senator Patten explains. "The people in support of the measure say that the state needs to cut back on spending, but the state has a very strict budget. Cutting back on spending would mean cut-

ting back on services."

Biannually, the state has around \$19.6 billion. \$6 billion is provided by the federal government for specific purposes determined by the national government. \$7 billion is special use funds, which also have specific purposes, including college tuition, hunting licenses, and roads. That leaves \$6 billion in the general funds, which are funds generated by taxes. If the measure passes, that money is cut in half.

"We don't have \$3.2 billion lying around," says Representative Richter. "Nobody likes property tax, but local property tax pays for local services."

GNDC Awarded \$550,000 For Small Business Lending In Northeastern MT

Wolf Point, MT – Great Northern Development Corporation (GNDC) is proud to announce that it has been awarded a \$550,000 grant from the U.S. Treasury's Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund as part of the CDFI Financial Assistance (FA) program. This grant will bolster GNDC's efforts to provide critical lending services to small businesses across Northeastern Montana. www.gndc.org ical assistance to ensure that businesses in the region have the tools they need to succeed. Tori Matejovsky, GNDC executive director, expressed her excitement: "This grant is a huge win for GNDC and the communities we serve. It will allow us to expand our support for local businesses and help them thrive. "The funds will expand GNDC's lending portfolio, helping small businesses across Northeastern Montana access the capital they need to launch, grow, and succeed. Whether through gap financing, working capital, or other tailored financial solutions, GNDC is committed to supporting the local business community and strengthening the region's economy.

For more information about Great Northern Development Corporation and its small business lending services, visit www.gndc.org or contact the GNDC office at 406-653-2590.

"The Jazz Legacy Project" To Be Presented Nov. 7

The Northeastern Arts Network presents "The Jazz Legacy Project" as part of their 2024-25 Big Sky Concert Series on Thursday, Nov. 7 at the MonDak Heritage Center, Sidney.

Created in 2015 after an epiphany, Justin Varnes had while teaching Jazz History at Georgia State University, the Jazz Legacy Project has an ongoing residency at the Velvet Note jazz club in Atlanta, GA, where they have been selling out their performances for six years and counting. Ditching a traditional textbook in favor of playing records and telling stories about the artists to college kids who knew little or nothing about jazz proved to be a big success. It turned out that performing the artist's music and telling their stories in between proved to be an even bigger success. These accomplished musicians will transport you into the world of jazz music with their compelling stories about the artists and their influences of American music and culture such as John Coltrane, Thelonious Monk, and Billie Holiday.

This performance begins at 7 p.m. at the MonDak Heritage Center -406-433-3500 in Sidney. Tickets can be purchased at the door - \$20/Adult, \$18/Sr. and \$15/Student.

The Big Sky Series is made possible in part by the Montana Performing Arts Consortium Presenter Development Program which is supported by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, Montana Arts Council, legislative grant from Montana's Cultural Trust, and Creative West.



Busse, Graybill Hold Town Hall...

(Continued from page 1)

from public education to fund private schools is totally wrong according to Busse. "Public schools are the heart of small towns. He took money away from those kids to give to rich kids in private schools. I am not down with that! And it's in the constitution that we can't do that," he firmly stated.

Busse believes we need to look for ways to make life better for every family. He wants to restore the Child Tax Credit which was passed by a bi-partisan legislature and he says Gianforte ignored. He also wants to restore the Department of Labor and use it as it should be, to develop a good labor force in the state. As a life-long hunter and nature lover, Busse is upset with what he sees as Gianforte's dismantling of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. He said the governor's actions are providing greater access for wealthy out of state hunters and increasing pressure on wildlife.

As governor, Busse would work to protect the rights of women and families as defined by the Montana constitution. He believes that the government does not belong in doctors' offices telling women what they can and can't do with their own body. He said he has seen instances where women and their families are forced to make horrific decisions about their pregnancies and believes they should have the right to do so without government interference.

"Gianforte refuses to use his office to improve the lives of working folks. We are laser focused on working folks and everyday Montanans, and getting back to the constitution," Busse said bluntly.

Busse and Graybill encourage everyone to attend the Town Hall at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 29 at the Taphouse Bar & Grill, 900 1/2 S. Central, Sidney. "Please show up and ask your questions. We'll answer them, even the hard ones, and if we don't know the answer, we'll tell you that too.

Thank you for your vote in the primary and again on Nov. 5

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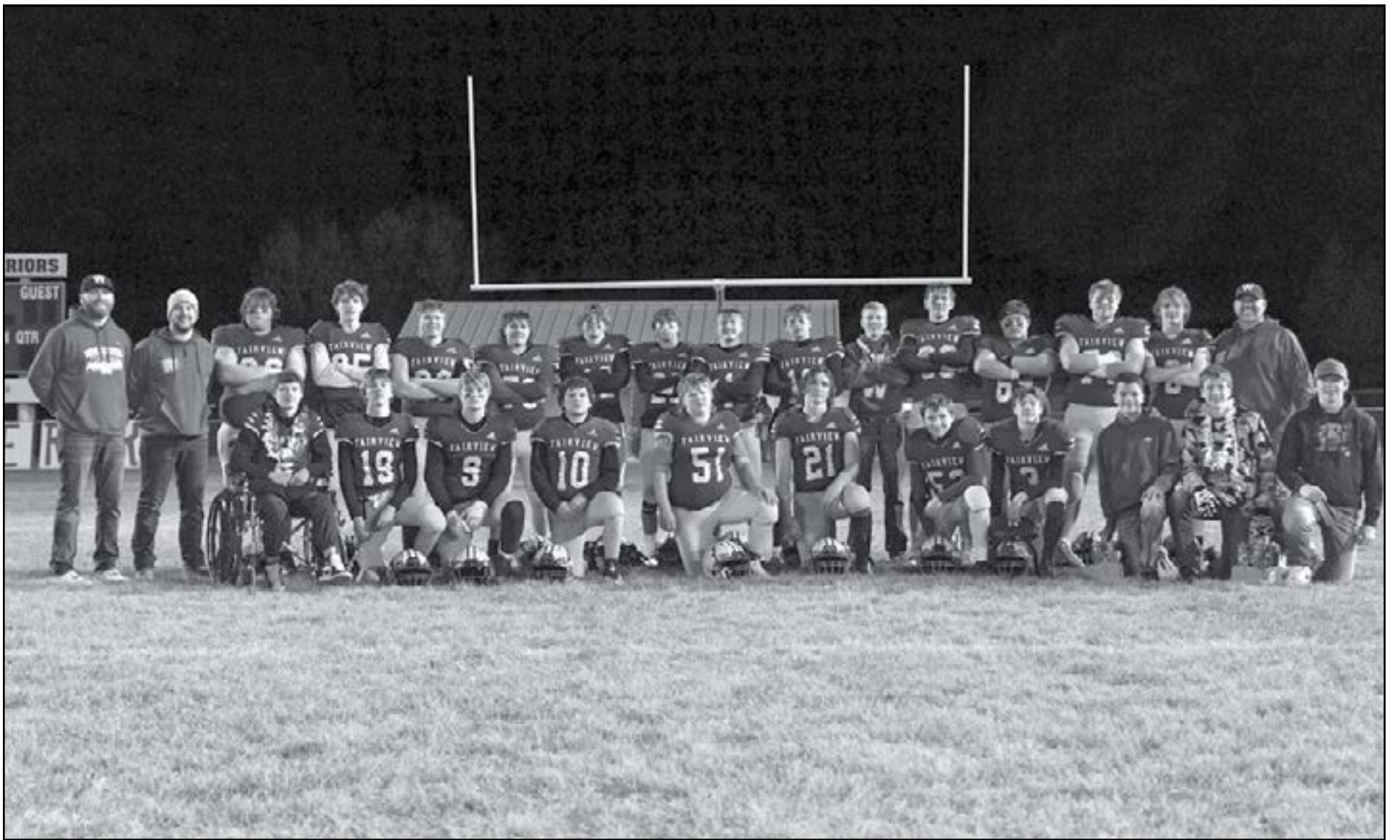
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ON THE STAKES OF THIS ELECTION



Today, Montana is at a crossroads. Our state has always been a place where we work hard, where we know our neighbors, and where you don't have to be a millionaire to hunt or fish or afford a home.

But that is at risk of being lost forever.

Wealthy outsiders like Tim Sheehy are trying to turn our state into a playground for the rich. Sheehy wants to sell off our public lands, drive up the cost of housing and health care, and take away a woman's freedom to choose.

The fact is, Tim Sheehy doesn't get what's important out here. But I do.

I work with Republicans, Independents — all Montanans — to defend our state because this election is our last chance to protect the Montana that we've always known.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jon Tester".

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Sidney Chamber of Commerce & Community Gears Up For Festive Holiday Season With Events Galore

**By Lisa Gorder
Project Manager
Sidney Chamber of
Commerce & Agriculture**

The countdown to Christmas has begun in Sidney, and the community is excited to celebrate with a series of festive events leading up to the Magical Montana Christmas Festival. From free activities to unique dining experiences, there is something for everyone this holiday season.

Nov. 29: Kicking Off the Festivities

The festivities start with a FREE Open Skating session from 1-3 p.m. at the Richland Ranger Hockey Dome. Families can enjoy a fun afternoon on the ice, perfect for all ages. Later, join Santa for a FREE Movie at the Centre Theatre from 3:30-5:30 p.m., featuring the beloved holiday classic, "The Polar Express".

As the sun sets, the grand finale of the day is the Parade of Lights that will light up Central Avenue at 6:30 p.m. Parade lineup begins at 5:30 p.m. at the South Shopko Parking Lot, inviting families to gather and enjoy the festive display of lights and community spirit. The Cutting Edge Dance Studio will once again have the Sunrise City Rockettes performing their entertaining Christmas routine mid-way through the parade.

Nov. 30: Shop Small Saturday and Christmas Crawl

In the heart of Sidney, we are preparing for our

annual Shop Small Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. This year promises to be extra special, with approximately 40 local vendors setting up shop along West Main Street and inside the Yellowstone Mercantile, each one bursting with holiday spirit and unique gifts just waiting to be discovered. From handmade ornaments to artisanal sourdough and cookies, each vendor will highlight their finest wares, inviting all to step inside and experience the magic of small business shopping. This event encourages residents to support local businesses while children may also participate in a Lego contest sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club allowing attendees to vote for their favorite design. There are 6 categories with a \$100 cash prize for each category. No pre-packaged themed Lego kits can be used, and all designs must begin with a base provided. Stop by the Boys and Girls Club to enter. All entries are due Friday, Nov. 22.

The Christmas Crawl promises an afternoon and evening of merriment from noon to 8 p.m. Shoppers are invited to purchase a \$5 lanyard and shop at participating businesses in downtown Sidney. Those who complete visiting all the merchants on the lanyard will be entered into a drawing and receive an opportunity to win \$500. Lanyards are available for purchase at the local establishments. Included in the Christmas Crawl is a Christ-

mas Cocktail contest. Participants will eagerly anticipate the chance to indulge in signature holiday cocktails or mocktails specially crafted by local bartenders for the event. We invite everyone to vote on their favorite signature drink. With lanyards in hand and the open container ordinance waived, folks will be allowed to carry their drinks in the designated area between 2nd St. SE (Cattle-ac) and 2nd St. NW (Mimi's Kitchen), the town will be ready to celebrate the holiday spirit and shop the day away in style.

Dec. 3: Giving Tuesday Dinner

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Progressive Dinner kicks off at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m., featuring a delicious multi-course meal from various participating restaurants, including South 40, Cattle-ac, Meadowlark, The Ranger, and Amy's. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit local nonprofits, including the Sidney Schools Angel Fund, Kiwanis Coat Drive, Foundation for Community Care, Boys and Girls Club, and Sunrise Women's Clinic. With only 80 tickets available, this event is expected to fill up quickly.

Dec. 5: Eastern Montana Polar Plunge

Join in the fun on Dec. 5 at the Eastern Montana

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Dec. 7: The Great String Showdown

Do not miss The Great String Showdown at the Richland County Event Center. Doors open at 5 p.m., with a plated prime rib dinner served at 6 p.m. by chef LeRoy Strasheim. Limited tickets are available, so be sure to secure your spot for this delightful evening of food and community.

Dec. 8: Christmas at the MonDak

Finally, on the 8th, the MonDak Heritage Center is having Christmas at the MonDak. There will be live music, a kid's craft, a bake sale, and photos with Santa.

As Sidney prepares for the holiday season, these events promise to bring joy and togetherness, celebrating the spirit of community in this charming Montana town. Mark your calendars and join in the festivities!

It is truly one of the most wonderful times of the year!

For more information on these events, visit the Sidney Chamber of Commerce website or follow them on Facebook.

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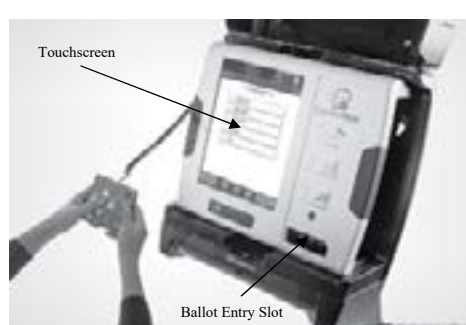
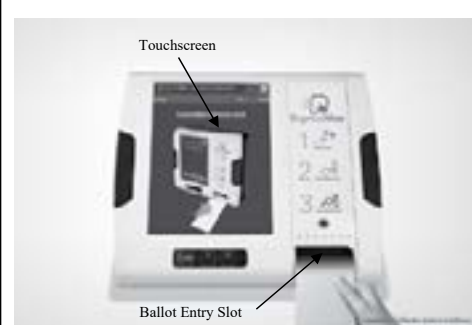
Notice of Voting System Exhibition, Diagrams and Voting Instructions

Sample ballots for each precinct may be found online at www.richland.org/elections

Notice of Voting System Exhibition and Ballot Layout:

Please be advised that the county's ExpressVote voting system and DS450 Central Scanner & Tabulator are on public exhibition at the Richland County Clerk & Recorder's Office at 201 W Main through November 5, 2024. The ExpressVote voting system may be demonstrated at any time between 8am and 5pm, Monday through Friday, upon request. The DS450 will be publicly tested at 2pm on Thursday, October 31, 2024 for the November 5, 2024 Election.

OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT - PUBLICATION BALLOT RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA - NOVEMBER 5, 2024			BALLOT ISSUES
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FOR PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) <input type="radio"/> KAMALA D. HARRIS DEMOCRAT FOR PRESIDENT TIM WALZ DEMOCRAT FOR VICE PRESIDENT <input type="radio"/> ROBERT F. KENNEDY JR. WE THE PEOPLE FOR PRESIDENT NICOLE SHANAHAN WE THE PEOPLE FOR VICE PRESIDENT <input type="radio"/> CHASE OLIVER LIBERTARIAN FOR PRESIDENT MIKE TER MAAT LIBERTARIAN FOR VICE PRESIDENT <input type="radio"/> JILL STEIN GREEN FOR PRESIDENT RUDOLPH WARE GREEN FOR VICE PRESIDENT <input type="radio"/> DONALD J. TRUMP REPUBLICAN FOR PRESIDENT JD VANCE REPUBLICAN FOR VICE PRESIDENT <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR PRESIDENT <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR VICE PRESIDENT	FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> BEN ALKE DEMOCRAT <input type="radio"/> AUSTIN KNUDSEN REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR STATE AUDITOR (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> JAMES BROWN REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> JOHN REPKE DEMOCRAT <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> SUSIE HEDALEN REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> SHANNON O'BRIEN DEMOCRAT <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> ERIN FARRIS-OLSEN DEMOCRAT <input type="radio"/> BOWEN GREENWOOD REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> ROGER ROOTS LIBERTARIAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR SUPREME COURT CHIEF JUSTICE (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> JEREMIAH LYNCH NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> CORY SWANSON NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE #3 (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> KATHERINE BIDEGARAY NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> DAN WILSON NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 7, DEPT 1 (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) Shall Judge OLIVIA C RIEGER of DISTRICT 7, DEPT 1 of the state of Montana be retained in office for another term? Fill in the oval before the word "YES" if you wish the official to remain in office. Fill in the oval before the word "NO" if you do not wish the official to remain in office. <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	FOR STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 15 (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> GREGG HUNTER REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 17 (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> BOB PHALEN REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 30 (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> MORGAN THIEL REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 33 (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> BRANDON LER REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> _____ COUNTY FOR CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> JANICE KLEMPPEL REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> _____ FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3 (VOTE FOR ONE) <input type="radio"/> DUANE MITCHELL REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> _____ MUNICIPAL FOR CITY OF SIDNEY LOCAL GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMISSIONER (VOTE FOR THREE) <input type="radio"/> JORDAN MAYER NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> DENNIS MOORE NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> KERI RIOR DAN NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> JANET SERGENT NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> KATHLEEN WALLER NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> WADE WHITEMAN NONPARTISAN <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> _____ <input type="radio"/> _____	CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 126 A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) CI-126 amends the Montana Constitution to provide a top-four primary election. All candidates, regardless of political party, appear on one ballot. The four candidates receiving the most votes advance to the general election. A candidate may list a political party preference, but a candidate isn't required to be nominated by a political party. A candidate's political party preference isn't an endorsement by the political party. The legislature may require candidates gather signatures up to five percent of the votes received by the winning candidate in the last election to appear on the ballot. All voters may vote for one candidate for each covered office. CI-126 applies to elections for governor and lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, state representative, state senator, United States representative, and United States Senator. <input type="radio"/> YES on Constitutional Initiative CI-126 <input type="radio"/> NO on Constitutional Initiative CI-126 CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 127 A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) CI-127 amends the Montana Constitution to provide that elections for certain offices must be decided by majority vote as determined as provided by law rather than by a plurality or the largest amount of the votes. If it cannot be determined who received a majority of votes because two or more candidates are tied, then the winner of the election will be determined as provided by law. CI-127 applies to elections for governor and lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, state representative, state senator, United States representative, United States Senator, and other offices as provided by law. <input type="radio"/> YES on Constitutional Initiative CI-127 <input type="radio"/> NO on Constitutional Initiative CI-127 CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 128 A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION (VOTE IN ONE OVAL) CI-128 would amend the Montana Constitution to expressly provide a right to make and carry out decisions about one's own pregnancy, including the right to abortion. It would prohibit the government from denying or burdening the right to abortion before fetal viability. It would also prohibit the government from denying or burdening access to an abortion when a treating healthcare professional determines it is medically indicated to protect the pregnant patient's life or health. 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Absentee ballots will be publicly counted on election day starting at 10am at the Clerk & Recorder's office, 201 W Main St., Sidney as specified in **13-15-201**, MCA by a DS450 Central Scanner and Tabulator. Vote counting procedures are open to public observation. Any person observing the procedures of the count must complete and sign an affirmation stating, "I _____, will not discuss the results of the early counting of votes at any time prior to the closing of the polls on election day," and is subject to 13-35-241, MCA:

13-35-241. Release of vote tally -- penalty. (1) A person may not make public the results of a vote tally from a precinct until after the polls close as provided in **13-1-106**.

(2) (a) A person who knowingly violates subsection (1) shall be imprisoned in the state prison for a term not to exceed 2 years or be fined an amount not less than \$100,000 and not more than \$500,000 or both.

(b) For the purposes of this section "knowingly" has the meaning specified in **45-2-101**.

Preliminary results will be posted beginning at 8pm on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2024 at <https://electionresults.mt.gov/>

All of the above are open to the public. If you are interested in observing any of these processes, please call 406-433-1708.

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8.....	Event Center Richland County Fairgrounds.....	2118 W Holly St., Sidney.....	Accessible
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12.....	Fairview Senior Center.....	217 5th St W., Fairview.....	Accessible
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OBITUARIES

Glenn "Merrill" Larson, 96 Sidney, MT

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024, at the Brorson Church, Sidney, MT, with Bill Cundiff officiating. Interment was in the Brorson Cemetery, Sidney, MT. A luncheon followed in the basement of Ebenezer Congregational Church, Sidney, MT. Visitation was on Friday, Oct. 25, 2024, from noon to 6 p.m. at the Fulkerson Stevenson Memorial Chapel and one hour before service at the church. Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Glenn "Merrill" Larson was born Feb. 21, 1928 to Lars Peter Larson and Clara Amelia Larson. He was one of five children. Merrill attended school in Sidney and graduated in 1946. He mostly worked on the family farms but also worked at the U.S. Forest Service, Holly Sugar, USDA Experiment Station, and part time at Farm and Home Supply in his later years. Merrill also served in the United States National Guard for two three-year terms.

Merrill married Eunice Lila Sundheim on April 14, 1952. To this union four children were born: Linda Jo Severson (Chris), Bruce Keith Larson, Larry Dean Larson, and Sharon Beth Jensen (Curt). Merrill was blessed with five grandchildren: Robert Eugene Severson (Heidi), Jason Merrill Severson (Trisha), Eva Dawn Novak (Lance), Kristi Jo Gaines, and Jacob Allan Jackson (Andrea); 10 great-grandchildren Hunter Severson (Aubrey), Sydnie Harrell (Jordan), Hudson Severson, Dylan Gaines, Kate Gaines, Shayden Jackson-Zietz, Emma Severson, Liam Gaines, Andrew (AJ) Jackson, and Beau Jackson; one great-great-grandson Summit Harrell and one on the way. Through marriage Merrill gained three step-grandchildren: Shaun Jensen (Michelle), Kory Jensen (Marta), and Kelsey Storer (Corby); and six step-great-grandchildren Parker Jensen, Allison Jensen, Grace Harper, Flynn Harper, Brecklyn Storer, and Raelyn Storer.

Merrill passed away Saturday, Oct. 19, 2024, at Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT.

Glen "Merrill" Larson was preceded in death by his wife Eunice, parents Lars and Clara Larson, siblings Milton Larson, Wallace Larson, and infant brother, infant sister Bonnie Larson, and infant granddaughter Becky Severson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Brorson Church for a stained-glass window in Merrill's memory or to the Sunrise Manor, Savage, MT, for items needed for the residents.

Honorary casketbearers are all of Merrill's grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Hubert Johnson, 96 Sidney, MT

Mass of the Christian Burial for Hubert will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2024, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Sidney, MT, with Father Jim O'Neil as presider. Visitation was on Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2024, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., at the funeral home and one hour before mass at the church. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT. Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Carl Hubert Johnson, 96, Sidney, MT, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2024, at the Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT, surrounded by his family.

Hubert, as he was known by family and friends throughout his life, was born Nov. 18, 1927, at Sidney Memorial Hospital, Sidney, MT, to Carl and Prudence Johnson.

Hubert attended Sidney Public Schools and worked alongside his brother Paul and father Carl as a young boy helping at the family business, Johnson Hardware and Furniture. Hubert graduated from Sidney High School in 1945. He was a member and captain of the Eastern Montana championship football team in 1942.

He attended Montana State University briefly before joining the U.S. Army after WWII and served as a Company Clerk in Japan during the Occupation. After being honorably discharged, he graduated from the University of Montana with a business degree. Hubert returned to eastern Montana where he worked for a short time in a hardware store in Plentywood, MT., before returning home to Sidney to take over at Johnson Hardware and Furniture following the death of his father in 1957.

Hubert met the love of his life, Lucille Rasmusan, while she was working as the nurse assigned to his father when Carl was in the hospital prior to his death. It was a whirlwind romance, and the happy couple was united in marriage on May 16, 1957.

The couple had two children: Kevin in 1958 and Nicole in 1959.

Hubert was joined by his younger brother Paul in the family business a few months later and together they expanded the business over the course of several decades until Hubert retired in 1996.

Hubert was a strong supporter of the Sidney community and was active in many local civic organizations. He was a generous financial contributor to local causes. Over the years, he served on several local boards and committees, including Sidney Health Center and Stockman Bank. Hubert was also a member of the City of Sidney Planning Commission in the late 1950s.

Although Hubert thoroughly enjoyed traveling with his wife and family, he considered Sidney the best place on earth. Hubert took his family on many road trips across Montana and America. He traveled the world with Lucille visiting numerous ports of call. They spent many winters in beautiful Myrtle Beach, SC., prior to Lucille's death in 2005. Hubert continued to winter in South Carolina for many more years where he was able to continue his love of golf.

Golf was perhaps Hubert's greatest pleasure. He and his brother, Paul, golfed 18 holes five days a week at the Sidney Country Club for more than 20 years after the two retired. Hubert passed his love of golf on to the next generation of the Johnson family.

Hubert also had a deep love for music and was a "semi-capable" trombone player in the Army. He passed down his trombone "skills" to his son Kevin and grandsons Jesse and Sam.

Hubert had a large group of friends and enjoyed morning coffee with them for decades.

Hubert spent the final months of his life at the Sidney Health Center and Extended Care Facility where he made a new community of friends. Hubert often praised the care he received from the kind professionals at SHC and ECF.

Hubert is survived by his two children, Kevin Johnson and Nicole (LeRoy) Hileman; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, brother and parents.

The family asks that memorials be donated in Hubert's name to the Foundation for Community Care, or the charity of your choice. In lieu of donations, Hubert encourages you to shop local!

Dixie Donalynn Portra, 62 Bainville, MT

Funeral services were Sunday, Oct. 27, 2024, at 1 p.m. at the Bainville School, Bainville, MT. Dixie will be laid to rest at the Bainville Cemetery. A luncheon followed the service for a time of fellowship and sharing. Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Dixie Donalynn Portra was born on July 11, 1962, in Williston, ND. She was the daughter of Larry and Jewel Portra. Dixie was the youngest of 5 children. She spent her first year in Bainville, MT, before the family moved to Froid, MT. Dixie attended Froid Public School and later she moved to South Dakota where she attended Job Corps classes.

After returning home she married Jeff Torgrimson in 1980. They had one son, Levi Torgrimson. After divorcing she met Dave Granley who has been her life partner.

Dixie moved onto Dave's ranch north of Bainville, MT. She has always loved the outdoors with a passion for animals and a particular love of horses. Nor can we exclude her many dogs and cats she has had over the years. If you were a stray animal or someone needing a place to stay for a while you were always welcome at Dave and Dixie's. She also had three "girls" she considered her adoptive daughters... Bree, Kayla and Kate.

Dixie loved big gatherings. Among her favorites were Dave's big brandings where she would cook and prepare for days getting ready to feed all that attended.

Dixie peacefully passed away after a battle with cancer on Saturday, Oct. 19, 2024, at the Roosevelt Medical Center, Culbertson, MT, with family by her side.

Dixie is survived by her partner Dave Granley, son Levi Torgrimson, Bainville, MT; granddaughter Monroe Torgrimson, Arkansas; brother Doug Portra, Froid, MT; sister Denise Murray (Kim), Froid, MT; brother Dennis Portra (Beckie), Bainville, MT; and the "girls" Bree Lindvall, Kayla Buckalew, and Kate Barstow. She had 6 nieces and nephews and 17 great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, a sister and brother-in-law Darnell and Bob Sparks.

A special Thank You to the healthcare providers that have been so kind and helpful at the Roosevelt Memorial Hospital and the Sidney Healthcare Center. In lieu of flowers, we ask that memorials be sent to the Sidney Oncology Center.

Peter Keith Kringen, 95 Sidney, MT

Funeral services will be Friday, Nov. 1, 2024, at 10 a.m. at Church of the Nazarene, Sidney, MT, with Pastor Richard Evans officiating. A luncheon will follow the service at the church. Military honors will be presented by the VFW Post 4099 in Sidney, MT, and representatives from the U.S. Army Funeral Honors Team. Peter will be laid to rest at Richland Memorial Park, Sidney, MT. Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. In lieu of flowers, please send memorials in Peter's name to the Lodge in Sidney for the residents. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Peter Keith Kringen was born on Dec. 18, 1928, in Fairview, MT. He was the son of Marie Swanson Kringen and Peter I. Kringen. He was the youngest of 4 children, joining older sisters Pearl, Lucille, and Kathleen.

His father died in 1940 from a heart attack, forcing the family to have a sale and move from the farm into Fairview. His mother eventually remarried Vern Gardner. A brief time later they moved to Snohomish, WA. Pete said he liked Snohomish. He worked in a theater as a "popcorn boy", and enjoyed fishing in the Columbia River. They eventually came back to Montana for a visit, and Pete decided to stay with his sister Lucille and her husband. When Lucille moved, he came to Sidney. He worked at the elevator and the Sidney Locker and Creamery. He then drove a truck for John King trucking. In late 1950, he was drafted into the army. He served from 1951-1953. In 1954, he returned to Fairview, and married his sweetheart, Betty Eckart. Three daughters joined the family, Kathy, Sandra, and Michelle. Eventually settling south of Sidney, Pete worked for Farmers Union Transportation for 23 plus years. He then purchased his own truck and hauled fuel for a few years.

Pete enjoyed visiting with people, reading western novels, collecting guns, hunting, and spending time with family. A few treasured memories were trail rides, & family camping weekends.

Peter peacefully passed away on Monday, Oct. 21, 2024, at the Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT, with family by his side.

Surviving family members are daughters Michelle (Jim) Campbell, Shepherd, MT; and Sandra (Brian) Ligo, Lambert, MT; grandchildren Brandon (Desirae) Ligon and Aranda (Lee) Taylor; and great grandchildren Bridger Ligon, Kynley Ligon, Carson Taylor and Owen Taylor.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty; daughter Kathy; parents Peter (Marie) Kringen and stepfather Vern Gardner; mother-in-law Amelia Eckart; and sisters Pearl, Lucille, Kathleen and their spouses Morris, Myron, and Glen.

Harold Lloyd Thompson, 97, Watford City, ND

Harold Lloyd Thompson, 97, Watford City, ND, passed away peacefully on Oct. 24, 2024 at home surrounded by loved ones. Following Harold's wishes he will be cremated and there will be no service.

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Ruby Lavina Sweley, 97 Dickinson, ND formerly of Sidney, MT

Funeral services will be Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024, at 10 a.m. at the Ebenezer Congregational Church, Sidney, MT, with Pastor David Meehan officiating. Ruby will be laid to rest in the Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, MT. A luncheon will follow services for a time of fellowship and sharing. Visitation will be Friday Nov. 1, 2024, from 1-5 p.m. at the Fulkerson Stevenson Memorial Chapel, Sidney, MT. Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Ruby Lavina (Green) Sweley was born Oct. 9, 1927, to Randolph and Ida (Belle) Green on a farm on the Canadian Border.

At the age of 3, her family moved to McKenzie County, North Dakota. Ruby and her brother, Clifford, would herd the cows out to graze and water at the dam each day. Ruby didn't like the cactus because she was usually barefoot, and she didn't like the rattle snakes. She did enjoy the lunches they got while herding cattle - Mumma made great fried potatoes. Every night the 3 little kids would sit on the floor in front of Mumma and she would read a chapter of the Bible.

Ruby was going to school to be a teacher when Harold Sweley swept her off her feet. They married and had 3 children together.

Ruby sold Home Interiors for 30 years and also grew a huge garden. She would take items to the farmer's market or sell them from a sled in the front yard. Walkers and joggers on the bike path could often grab a pear as they passed her house.

Ruby enjoyed coffee time with the ladies in town and loved her church - Ebenezer Congregational Church. Ruby was quick with a joke and shared love and kindness with all she met. She will be missed.

Ruby peacefully passed away on Monday, Oct. 22, 2024, at St. Benedict's Health Center, Dickinson, ND, with family by her side.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Eddie (Teri Dupont) Cady, Dickinson, ND, Harold Cady, Sidney, MT, and Timothy (Sarah) Colegrove, Sidney, MT; her granddaughters, Carla (Frank Ward) Baesler, Sidney, MT, and Kimberly Skeens, Watford City, ND; her great grandchildren, Matthew Wiemerslage, Kyle Shipman, Keana Sparks, Izaiah Cady, Junior Cady, Dallas Lorenz, Brandi DeTienne, Kyle DeTienne, twins Alex Baesler and Kaine Baesler, Jordan Skeens, Jayden Skeens, and Diana Meehan; her great-great-grandchildren, Lily Jones, Jenessa DeTienne, and Jocelyn DeTienne; and her son-in-law, Stewart White, Sidney, MT.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold Sweley, and her children Shirley Baesler, Martin Sweley, and Robin White.

Harvey Ruben Hamburg, 87, Savage, MT

Funeral services will be Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024, at 2 p.m. at the First Lutheran Church, Savage, MT, with Pastor Tim Tharp officiating. Visitation will be Thursday, Oct. 31, 2024, from 12 p.m.-5 p.m. at the Fulkerson Stevenson Memorial Chapel, Sidney, MT. Harvey will be laid to rest in the Riverview Cemetery, Savage, MT. A luncheon will follow at the church for a time of fellowship and sharing. Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, MT, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures may be shared with the family at www.fulkersons.com.

Harvey Ruben Hamburg was born to Ruben and Marie (Scheetz) Hamburg, Sidney, MT, on Dec. 19, 1936. He was one of five children. They grew up in the Savage and Sidney area. He worked on the family farm and then graduated in 1954 from Sidney High School. He joined the Army National Guard in 1957 until he was honorably discharged in 1964.

In 1957, he met the love of his life Kay Hagler, and they were married on Feb. 23, 1958. In January 1959, he went to work at MDJ Lewis and Clark Station, Sidney where he was an operator for 20 years and a yard foreman for 20 years. He then retired in 1999.

In 1974, they moved the family from Sidney to Savage, MT, where they raised three children. Kay passed away on March 15, 2015. Harvey continued to live in their home until 2022 when he moved into the Savage Sunrise Manor until the time of his death.

He was an active member of the UCC Church, Savage. He was also a member of the Savage Senior Citizens. His hobbies included wood working, taking care of his yard which included lots of mowing time which he loved. He also loved riding his 4-wheeler through the countryside (Sometimes a little too fast).

Harvey peacefully passed away on Friday, Oct. 25, 2024, at the Sidney Health Center, Sidney, MT, surrounded by his loved ones.

He is survived by daughter Sherri (Gary) Dardis, Savage, MT, daughter Lynette (John) Hoon, Savage, MT, son Patrick (Dee) Hamburg, Savage, MT; sisters Verna Davis, Littleton, CO, Karen (Tom) Marker, Magnolia, TX, MaryJane (Stan) Helgeson, Billings, MT; sister-in-law Joanne Hagler, Savage, MT; seven grandchildren and nineteen great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Kay, and his brother Jim Hamburg.

The family asks that memorials be donated in Harvey's name to the Savage Senior Citizens and Savage Sunrise Manor.



Glenn "Merrill" Larson



Dixie Donalynn Portra



Ruby Lavina Sweley



Carl Hubert Johnson



Peter Keith Kringen



Harvey Hamburg

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LEGALS
PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO PROTEST TRANSFER OF LOCATION OF 'Montana Retail On-Premises Consumption Beer and Wine License

WINNERS PUB & CASINO LLC (Arnold Hansen & Estate of Lola Hansen, Owner(s) has applied to transfer Montana Retail On-Premises Consumption Beer and Wine License No. 27-270-6602-301 to be operated at WINNER'S PUB, 1035 S Central Ave, Sidney, Richland County. The public may protest this license transfer in accordance with the law.

Who can protest this transfer? Protests will be accepted from residents of the county of the proposed location Richland County, residents of adjoining Montana counties, and residents of adjoining counties in another state if the criteria in 16-4-207(4) (d), Montana Code Annotated (MCA), are met.

What information must be included? Protest letters must be legible and contain (1) the protester's full name, mailing address, and street address; (2) the license number 27-270-

6602-301 and the applicant's name WINNERS PUB & CASINO LLC; (3) an indication that the letter is intended as a protest; (4) a description of the grounds for protesting; and (5) the protester's signature. A letter with multiple signatures will be considered one protest letter.

What are valid protest grounds? The protest may be based on the applicant's qualifications listed in 16-4-401, MCA, or the grounds for denial of an application in 16-4-405, MCA. Examples of valid protest grounds include: (1) the applicant is unlikely to operate the establishment in compliance with the law; (2) the proposed location cannot be properly policed by local authorities; and (3) the welfare of the people in the vicinity of the proposed location will be adversely and seriously affected.

How are protests submitted? Protests must be postmarked to the Department of Revenue, Office of Dispute Resolution, P.O. Box 5805, Helena, Montana 59604-5805 on or before November 9, 2024.

What happens if the transfer is protested? Depending on the number of protests and the protest grounds, a public hearing will be held in Helena or Sidney. All valid protesters will be notified of the hearing's time, date and location. Hearings typically are scheduled within 90 days. A protester's hearing testimony is limited to the grounds in the protester's letter. Following the hearing, the Department of Revenue will notify the public whether the license transfer is approved or denied.

How can additional information be obtained? The cited MCA statutes are online at leg.mt.gov/bills/mca_toc/. Questions may be directed to Witt Williams, Compliance Specialist for the Department of Revenue's Alcoholic Beverage Control Division, at 444-3505 or Witt.Williams@mt.gov.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
THE MCKENZIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024 at 4:00 PM in the **Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Room** located at **201 5th St. NW**, Watford City, North Dakota, for the purpose of receiving comments regarding a Conditional Use Permit Request #16-24CUP submitted by West Dakota Water to construct 2 fresh water ponds. The property is located at: S-1, T-149N R-101W, Parcel #020000600 and legal description of S1/2 of NW1/4 Lot 3 EX IT 3294 and lot 4 in McKenzie County, ND.

The provisions regarding Conditional Use Permit requests are contained within the McKenzie County Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance may be viewed at the McKenzie County Planner's Office during office hours, as well as online at www.McKenzieCounty.net. The application can be reviewed by the public in the Planning Department.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, written comments will be accepted until Friday, November 8, 2024 at 12:00 PM at the office of the McKenzie County Planner, 1300 12th St SE Ste #214, Watford City, ND 58854, or via e-mail to CandyLundgren@co.mckenzie.nd.us. You may also phone us at 701-444-2420 with any questions.

Planning and Zoning Board Meetings are held the second Monday of each month, starting at 4:00 p.m. Central Time. The Planning and Zoning Board may change the date or time of a meeting by a motion made and passed in advance of the meeting to resolve calendar conflicts. In the event a scheduled meeting cannot be held due to inclement weather or other reasons, the meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. on the Wednesday Immediately

following the scheduled meeting and the Planning Director will cause notice of the postponement to be posted at the courthouse entrance and on the Planning and Zoning Website.

McKenzie County complies with Title VI Nondiscrimination Standards and the American with Disabilities Act. These policies can be viewed at the McKenzie County Auditor's Office. Dated at Watford City, North Dakota, this 17th day of October 2024

Candy Lundgren-Planner
McKenzie County Planning & Zoning Department
Attest: Sandee Kimpel
Planning Director

MNAXLP (Publish October 30, and November 6, 2024)

PUBLIC NOTICE
The McKenzie county planning commission will hold a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 4:00 PM in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Room** located at **201 5th St. NW**, Watford City, North Dakota, for the purpose of receiving comments regarding a final plat for subdivision, #02-24SUB, per ordinance 5-10-3 of the McKenzie County Land Development Ordinance to bring the Ag Expo into compliance. The property is located in S-34, T-150N, R-99W Parcel # 110012700. The provisions regarding Sub-divisions regulations are contained within the McKenzie County Land Development Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance may be viewed at the McKenzie County Planner's Office during office hours, as well as online at www.McKenzieCounty.net. The application can be reviewed by the public in the Planning Department.

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Candy Lundgren-Planner
McKenzie County Planning & Zoning Department
Attest: Sandee Kimpel
Planning Director

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#15-24, submitted by Rusty Ventures to open a 49 spot RV park. The RV Park will be located on Parcel # 150002455, S-06, T-152N, R-101W on Hwy 85 in Tri Township of McKenzie County, ND.

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Candy Lundgren-Planner
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Attest: Sandee Kimpel
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00 00 20 - Bid Advertisement NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: Sealed bids will be received by the RICHLAND CO. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, Sidney, Montana in the Commissioners' Office at 201 W. Main, Sidney, Montana, until **Monday, November 18, 2024 at 11:00AM MST** for the construction of **Richland Co. Courthouse Sidewalk Updates** in Sidney, Montana. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time.

STATE AND FEDERAL STATUTE COMPLIANCE: Each bidder will comply with all fair labor practices and state statutes.

AD A E E O .: Request accommodation or additional information from Stephanie Verhasselt, Richland County Clerk & Recorder, 201 W. Main Street, Sidney MT 59270, 406-433-1706 (phone), 406-433-3731 (fax), or verhasselt@richland.org (e-mail) by **Monday, November 11, 2024 at 11:00AM MST**. Alternative accessible formats of this notice are available upon request.

BID SECURITY: Each bid will be accompanied by Bid Security in the amount of not less than TEN PERCENT (10%) of the total amount of the bid.

PERFORMANCE, LABOR & MATERIAL BOND: Successful bidders shall, upon signature of the contract, furnish an approved Performance Bond, and Labor & Material Payment Bond, each in the amount of ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) of the contract.

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Drawings and Specifications, including Bidding Documents and Conditions of the Agreement, may be examined

at the office of the Architect, **SDI Architects + Design**, 909 Main Street, Miles City, MT 59301, 406-234-0777 (phone).

PRE-BID CONFERENCE (VIRTUAL): A pre-bid conference for the project will be conducted by the Architect on **Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 10:00AM MST**. This conference will be a Zoom meeting, so anyone wishing to attend needs to notify Brandon Janshen at bjanshen@sdiarch.com (email) no later than 1 hour prior to receive the access credentials. While attendance is not mandatory, the lack of inspection of the conditions under which the Contract will be performed will be a consideration in award of bids and review of sub-contractors.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS: No Bidder may withdraw their Bid for at least THIRTY (30) days after the scheduled time for receipt of bids, except as noted in the Instructions to Bidders.

RIGHT TO REJECT BIDS: The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, to evaluate the bids submitted and to accept the proposal which best serves the interests of the Owner.

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CAUSE NO. DP-42-2024-0000084-II

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be mailed to Lynnette M. Edwards, return receipt requested, at c/o Ryan A. Payne, Netzer, Krautter & Brown, P.C., 1060 South Central Ave., Ste. 2, Sidney, Montana 59270, or filed with the Clerk of the above-named Court. DATED this 7th day of October, 2024.

Lynnette M. Edwards
Personal Representative

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MONTANA SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, RICHLAND COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANN J. SHORT, Deceased.

Probate No. DP-42-2024-83-IT

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I DECLARE, under penalty of perjury and under the Laws of the State of Montana, that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED this 8th day of October, 2024, at San Francisco, California.

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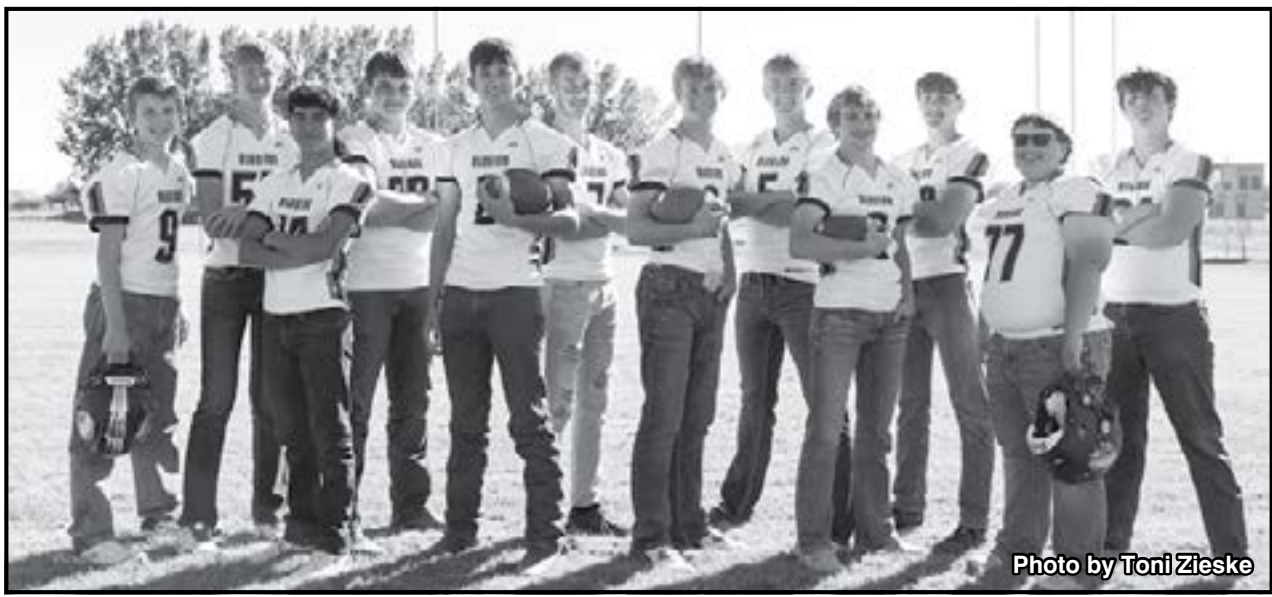


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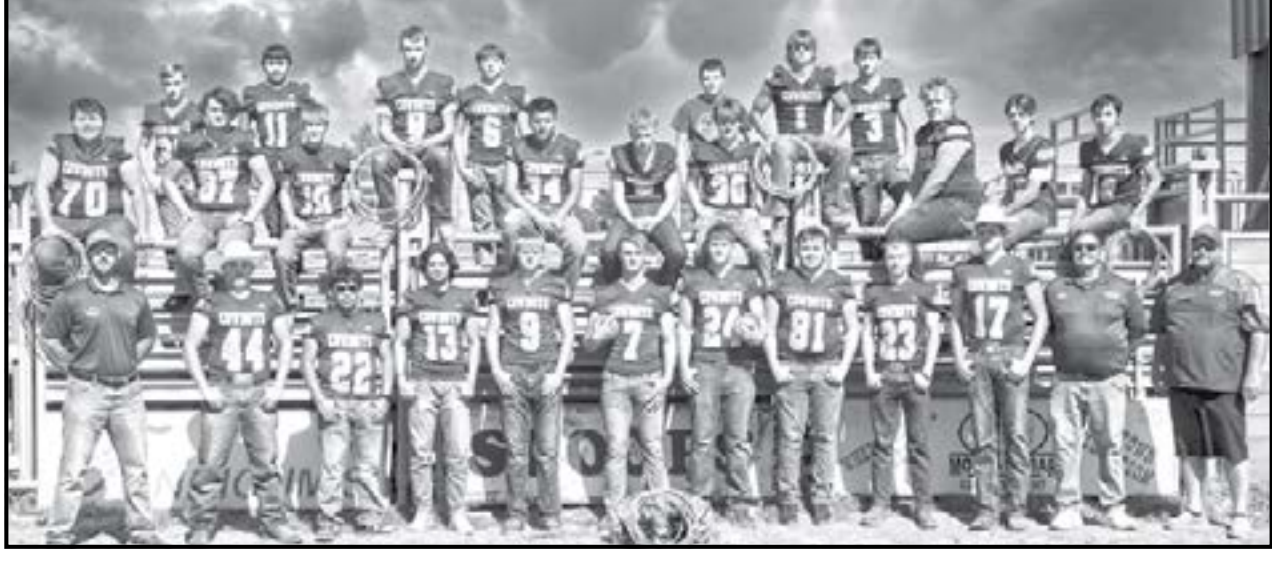
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Sidney Eagle State Cross Country Results

By Robyn Heck
 Congratulations to the Sidney Eagle cross country team on a great season! The varsity team competed in the state cross country meet in Missoula at the University of Montana golf course. This meet hosted all classes: AA, A, B, and C.

Special congratulations go out to junior, Carter Heggem who placed 10th, running a 16:49.60. Carter became the first boy in school history to place in the top 15 at the state cross country meet!
 Complete results were:
Varsity girls - 20th place as a team
 47. Morgan Kindopp 21:57.69
 79. Layla Petrik

- 23:21.10
- 116. Dylan Edd 25:10.56
- 127. Ivy Cross 25:44.38
- 128. Mariah Bauer 25:51.83
- 132. Ryleigh Kleinke 26:50.99
- 135. Polina Sandratska 27:09.74
- Varsity boys - 18th place as a team**
- 10. Carter Heggem 16:49.6
- 92. Dyson Romo 19:19.82
- 106. Josh Pollari 19:48.97
- 115. Rhys Larson 20:05.22
- 129. Isaak Lassey 20:38.15
- 136. Daxton Brower 21:20.40
- 154. Levi Dunn 24:08.07



Sidney Eagle Carter Heggem receives his 10th place medal at the state cross country meet in Missoula on Saturday, Oct. 26. (Submitted photo)

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Roughrider TKD Mandan Tournament Results



Sidney Roughrider TKD Tournament Team

Back row (L to R): Karen Ballentine, Bobby Cisco, Lulisa Mendez, Baden Kowal, Aiden Nilsen, Reese Stallings, Lauren Sullivan, Zachary Dear, Zack Klotz, Kenzie Pfau, Silas Treichel, Rob Bergerson, Nanette Bergerson. Front row (L to R): Alex Ziegler, Connor Paye, William Ziegler, Santiago Stack, William Dear, Naomi Sullivan, Caroline Sullivan, Finnley Langwald. Not pictured: Delia Turner, Jolene Turner, Arden Turner, Charleigh Jaquith. (Photo submitted)

By Nanette Bergerson
 Students from the Big Sky Region participated in the Roughrider TaeKwonDo Tournament on Saturday, Oct. 19 in Mandan, ND. EMMAA Sidney & Culbertson Results were:
 Charleigh Jaquith 3rd Sparring, 2nd Breaking.
 Caroline Sullivan 1st Breaking.
 Kenzie Pfau 3rd Breaking.
 Lauren Sullivan 2nd Breaking.
 Alex Ziegler 2nd Breaking.
 William Ziegler 3rd Sparring.
 Aiden Nilsen 2nd Place Sparring.
 Zachary Dear 1st Breaking.
 Silas Treichel 1st Breaking.
 Eastern Montana coaches in attendance were: Big Sky Regional Director Master Karen Ballentine, EMMAA-Sidney Master Nanette Bergerson, EMMAA-Culbertson Master Rob Bergerson and Big Sky Total Martial Arts Master Bobby Cisco.

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