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8-Year-Old Watford City Girl Donates Steer To Local Food Pantry



Pictured is Luke, Courtney and Ella Taylor presenting Ella's beef to Gene Heck at the Watford City Food Pantry. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)

By Lisa Gorder
Eight-year-old Ella Taylor is a lot like other kids in Watford City, she loves the farm and the animals. But unlike her older brother, Jett, 14, and her 11-year-old sister, Piper, Ella is a Cloverbud and wasn't old enough to sell animals in 4-H yet. Her brother and sister show steers at the McKenzie County Fair. Ella has always watched from the sidelines, waiting for the day she will be a part of it too.

Last spring, Ella got a surprise from her grandparents. When they calving season came around, they gave her a bottle calf. Ella was excited and she named the calf Bebe. She took charge and took care of him as often as she could. As the colder air approached, Ella and her parents had a decision to make. They asked Ella what she would like to do. They had heard of a need at the local food pantry. Ella decided to donate him and



Ella Taylor with her bottle calf. (Photo by Kathy Taylor)

she thought it would be the best place to help those in need. Ella said "I'm happy to know that Bebe will give good food to families in need at Christmas time!" Her parents, Luke and Courtney and neighbors CJ

and Calli Thorne, own and operate USDA inspected Yellowstone River Beef in Williston and Yellowstone provided the processing. The Taylor family and their young daughter Ella, along with Yellowstone River Beef

have certainly shown us what the spirit of giving at the holidays truly means. A special thank you to them and may the blessings of the holiday also be with their family.

Man In Custody Following Pursuit Of Stolen Vehicle In McKenzie County



Michael JW Scott Emerson.
(Photo submitted)

By McKenzie County Sheriff's Office

While on patrol on Dec. 14, at approximately 9:14 p.m., a McKenzie County Sheriff's Office deputy attempted to stop a speeding vehicle on 4th Ave. NW, Watford City. The vehicle refused to stop and continued westbound, initiating a pursuit.

A PIT maneuver was utilized in a field west of the Prairie View RV Park, however, the suspect vehicle was able to continue fleeing. The suspect vehicle continued driving through the Prairie View RV Park at speeds of 90 mph.

The pursuit continued onto U.S. Highway 85, where the suspect vehicle began traveling northbound. A second PIT maneuver was utilized, making the suspect vehicle spin out. The suspect vehicle struck a McKenzie County Sheriff's Office patrol vehicle while attempting to continue fleeing.

As a result of the perceived intentional striking of a patrol vehicle, another deputy with the McKenzie County Sheriff's Office struck the suspect vehicle in the rear. The suspect vehicle was then pushed into the ditch by the two damaged McKenzie County Sheriff's Office patrol vehicles. The driver, Michael JW Scott Emerson, surrendered without further incident.

At approximately 9:38 p.m., the registered owner of the vehicle called 911 to report their vehicle had been stolen while parked near the bars on Main Street in Watford City. The vehicle driven by Emerson was confirmed to be the reported stolen vehicle.

Michael JW Scott Emerson was arrested and transported to the McKenzie County Correctional Facility on the following charges:

-Fleeing while in commission of a felony.
-Theft of a motor vehicle.

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Gov. Gianforte Contributes Salary To Pregnancy Support Center

By Sean Southard, Office of the Governor
SIDNEY – On the ninth day of his 12 Days of Giving campaign, Governor Greg Gianforte contributed a quarter of his annual salary to Sunrise Women's Clinic, a pregnancy support center serving eastern Montana. In October 2020, the governor committed to Montanans he would contribute his salary as governor to nonprofit organizations and charities in the state.

"For more nearly 15 years, Sunrise Women's Clinic has provided care and resources to young mothers and families," Gov. Gianforte said. "As we continue our 12 Days of Giving, I'm proud to support the nonprofit with its mission to support Montana mothers and stronger families."

Founded in Sidney, the nonprofit crisis pregnancy center has served mothers and families for over 15 years.

At the clinic, licensed medical staff, advocates, and volunteers provide free health care services such as ultrasounds and pregnancy tests, as well as information to women and families including pregnancy and parenting support and services.

Additionally, the center serves growing families by providing new and gently used baby items for parents through its Baby Boutique. Families using clinic services are able to shop at the boutique at no cost to get needed items such as diapers, clothing, and baby tubs. "Our goal is to empower these women and families and provide for them all the way through their pregnancy, and ultimately so they know the only option is life," said Executive Director Stacey McNally. "For everyone who comes through our door, we want to offer hope. Family relationships are hard to build upon right now, it's hard to be a parent, and economic hardship is definitely reaching people here in a real hard way. so we want to be able to help people in every capacity."

This year, the clinic served over 1,100 visits, provided over 150 free ultrasounds, and accepted clients across eastern Montana and North Dakota. Partnering with over 52 churches and by providing classes at local high schools, Sunrise has expanded their outreach



Gov. Gianforte donating a quarter of his salary to Sunrise Women's Clinic, Sidney. (Photo by Jody Wells)

and education across the region.

The Sunrise Pregnancy Resources and Family Outreach center relies on the generosity of Montanans to help women and families with pregnancy, postpartum support, and health needs. More information on the clinic may be found here.

Running through Dec. 17, the governor's fourth annual 12 Days of Giving campaign will highlight the work of a dozen organizations serving Montanans in need.

On the 1st Day of Giving, the governor and first lady donated new, unwrapped toys to the Helena-area Marine Corps Toys for Tots and encouraged Montanans to donate to their

local campaign.

On the 2nd Day of Giving, the governor contributed a quarter of his annual governor's salary to the United Way of Missoula County.

On the 3rd Day of Giving, the governor promoted blood donation through the American Red Cross of Montana and encouraged eligible Montanans to donate blood.

On the 4th Day of Giving, the governor contributed a quarter of his annual governor's salary to Warriors & Quiet Waters.

On the 5th Day of Giving, the governor launched the fourth annual food drive among state agencies and encouraged Montanans to give to the Montana Food Bank Network or their local

food bank.

On the 6th Day of Giving, the governor encouraged support for Montana law enforcement officers and their families through the Montana Police Protective Association Foundation.

On the 7th Day of Giving, the governor encouraged support for active duty and veteran Special Operations members through the Talons Reach Foundation.

On the 8th Day of Giving, the governor encouraged support for after-school arts education programs through Bigger Sky Kids.

On the 9th Day of Giving, the governor contributed a quarter of his annual governor's salary to Sunrise Women's Clinic, Sidney.

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Sidney: Tues. & Fri., 11:30 a.m., 813 3rd St. NE, 406-433-8077
Savage: Thurs., 12 p.m., 178 E Main St., 406-776-9980
Lambert: Tues., 12 p.m., Fox Lake Sr. Center, 406-774-3439

Activities/Cards

Fairview: Men/Cards, Mon.-Sat. daily at 2 p.m.;
Women's Cards: Wed. & Sat. at 1 p.m.; 217 5th St. West, 406-742-5050
Sidney: Cards Thurs., 1 p.m.; 813 3rd St. NE, 406-433-8077
Lambert: Cards, Tues., 1 p.m.; Fox Lake Sr. Center, 406-774-3439

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2190 W Holly St., 406-433-3701; the last full Thurs., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; & Fri., 9 a.m.-12 p.m. of each month

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.....	1837.5
Last Week's Elev.	1836.0
One Year Ago	1839.4
Release For Day (C.F.S.)	16,000

SIDNEY WEATHER DATA

Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Dec. 9.....	31	24	0.020
Dec. 10.....	29	-4	0.000
Dec. 11.....	7	-2	0.000
Dec. 12.....	16	7	0.000
Dec. 13.....	22	8	0.000
Dec. 14.....	29	7	0.000
Dec. 15.....	36	24	0.090
Total 2024 YTD Precipitation.....	8.58		

Steps to Confronting Bullying

By Judge Ray Trumpower

Dealing with a situation where your child is the bully can be challenging and emotionally taxing for any parent. It's important to approach this issue with care and a commitment to fostering a positive change. Here are several steps to consider:

- #1. ****Recognize the Signs****
 - Be aware of changes in your child's behavior, such as increased aggression, withdrawal from friends, or a sudden change in academic performance. Pay attention to their interactions with peers, both in person and online.
- #2. ****Open a Dialogue****
 - Create a safe space for your child to express their feelings. Ask open-ended questions about their day, their friendships, and any conflicts they may have faced. Listen without judgment to encourage honesty.
- #3. ****Understand the Root Causes****
 - Bullying behavior can stem from various issues, including a need for power, insecurity, or exposure to aggressive behavior at home or in media. Discuss any underlying problems your child may be facing, such as difficulties at school or issues with self-esteem.
- #4. ****Teach Empathy****
 - Help your child understand the impact of their actions on others. Discuss feelings and encourage them to consider how their behavior makes others feel. Role-playing scenarios can be a helpful way to build empathy.
- #5. ****Set Clear Expectations****
 - Make it clear that bullying is unacceptable. Establish rules regarding behavior and the consequences for bullying. Consistency is key in enforcing these expectations.
- #6. ****Encourage Positive Relationships****
 - Help your child develop healthy friendships. Engage them in activities where they can meet peers in a positive environment, such as sports teams, clubs, or community service.
- #7. ****Model Appropriate Behavior****
 - Children often mimic the behavior of adults. Demonstrate respectful and empathetic interactions in your own life. Show them how to resolve conflicts peacefully and handle emotions in a constructive way.
- #8. ****Collaborate with the School****
 - Reach out to your child's teachers or school counselor. They may have additional insights into your child's behavior and can work with you to address the issue. Schools often have policies and resources in place to combat bullying.
- #9. ****Monitor Progress****
 - Keep an eye on your child's behavior and relationships. Celebrate improvements and continue to provide guidance and support as they navigate their social interactions.
- #10. ****Seek Professional Help if Needed****
 - If your child's bullying behavior persists or if you're struggling to manage the situation alone, consider seeking help from a therapist or counselor. They can provide strategies tailored to your child's needs and help address any underlying issues.

Conclusion
 Addressing bullying behavior in children requires patience, understanding, and dedication. By fostering open communication, teaching empathy, and setting clear expectations, you can help your child learn from their mistakes and develop into a compassionate individual. Remember, change takes time, and your support is crucial in guiding them on the right path.

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ND Dept. Of Environmental Quality Issues Permit To Construct For Cerilon GTL North Dakota

By Julie Baron, MBA, ABC

Senior Specialist, Brand Strategy & Communications
 Calgary, Alberta - Cerilon is pleased to announce that the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality - Division of Air Quality has issued a Permit to Construct for Cerilon GTL North Dakota. This milestone follows an extensive application review, solicitation of public comment and a public hearing held in Williston in November 2024. The State's process thoroughly assessed the air quality aspects of the proposed facility and included independent modeling to determine compliance.

"This permit is significant because it means our facility's proposed design has met the State's high standards regarding managing air quality in industrial development," said Ron Opperman, Cerilon GTL CEO. "We share these same high standards and will minimize the impacts on both the community and environment while creating a reliable, efficient source of energy for decades to come."

The North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality thoroughly reviewed the company's permit application against applicable state and federal rules, standards and provisions. This included confirming compliance with both the North Dakota and Federal Ambient Air Quality Standards.

"We believe in a thorough and diligent regulatory process and have been working to meet and exceed expectations. Decisions were made early in project development to select the best available control technologies to minimize emissions," said Rochelle Harding, Sustainability and Engagement Director. "What we're proposing delivers on our company's belief in the importance of environmental stewardship."

Cerilon GTL North Dakota at the forefront of driving the energy transition and enhancing energy security through this "first of its kind" project

Cerilon has proposed an innovative gas-to-liquids (GTL) facility that will transform natural gas into unique, high-performance synthetic products. These products include industry-leading Group III+ base oils, ultra-low sulphur diesel and naphtha. The site, near Williston, ND, was selected for several reasons, including its proximity to abundant natural gas supplies, access to road and rail transportation, and existing local infrastructure. It also has access to sufficient electrical power for startup and interconnection to the power grid which will enable it to produce and supply excess electricity to the state once the plant is fully operational.

Cerilon GTL North Dakota will be the first large-scale, natural gas-fed GTL facility in North America. It will also feature carbon capture and sequestration, making this nominally 24,000 barrel-per-day facility the first of its kind in the world. A second GTL facility of a similar size is planned for the same site.

Cerilon is an international, privately held corporation, headquartered in Calgary, Alberta. The company is focused on developing and offering a portfolio of energy transition, chemical and professional services companies. An unwavering sustainability focus, long-term partnerships, strategic agility and the ability to rapidly integrate technological advancements enhance project replicability, speed-to-market and return on investment. Cerilon is well-positioned to provide energy transition solutions and expertise that can help create a better future.

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RICHLAND COUNTY

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Now-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/>.

Wed., Dec. 18
 4-8 p.m. - **Thy Neighbor, LLC Community Christmas Party** - Come & enjoy an evening of drinks, sweets, music, fellowship & laughter. Learn more about our mission & vision, meet some of the personal caregivers. Thy Neighbor, LLC, 813 S. Central Ave.
Wed., Dec. 18, Fri., Dec. 20, Sat., Dec. 21, & Sun., Dec. 22
 7 p.m. - **Parables Of Jesus** - Live drama. Limitless Church, 414 E. Main St.
Wed., Dec. 18, 25; Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22
 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. - **Storytime At The Library** - Sidney-Richland County Library, 121 3rd Ave. NW. For more info call 406-433-1917.
Thurs., Dec. 19
 2-3:15 p.m. - **East Fairview School Science Fair** - Judging from 10:30 a.m.-3:20 p.m., Awards at 3:20 p.m.
Dec. 20, 27
 7:30 p.m. - **Volleyball Sports Nights** - Come bring your family & have a great time, 1215 5th St. SE. For more info call 701-317-2309.
Sat., Dec. 21, 28
 7 p.m. - **Basketball Sports Nights** - Come bring your family & have a great time, 1215 5th St. SE. For more info call 701-317-2309.
Mon., Dec. 23, 30; Jan. 6, 13, 20
 4-5 p.m. - **LEGO Club** - Sidney-Richland County Library, 121 3rd Ave. NW. For more info call 406-433-1917.
Tues., Dec. 24
 3 p.m. & 7 p.m. - **Christmas Eve Worship** - Pella Lutheran Church.
Wed., Dec. 25
 11 a.m.-2 p.m. - **Knights of Columbus Annual Christmas Dinner** - Free will offering & deliveries are available by calling the parish center 406-433-2510 on Christmas morning. St. Matthew's Parish, 310 7th St. SE.
Fri., Dec. 27; Jan. 10, 24; Feb. 28; March 14, 28, April 11, 25
 11 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Sidney's Soup Kitchen** - All are welcome, no charge, & volunteers appreciated. St. Matthew's Parish Center, 310 7th St SE, Sidney, MT. For more information call 406-433-2510 or email stmatt@midrivers.com.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Events in Culbertson unless otherwise listed. MT.

Thurs., Dec. 19
6:30-7:30 p.m. - Elementary Christmas Concert K-5 Culbertson Parade of Lights - Parade will travel down Main Street immediately following the Concert.

MCKENZIE COUNTY

Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT.

Now-Jan. 4, 2025
 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. - **Onesti Krieger - The 11" X 14" Show** - Long X Arts Foundation Gallery, 100 2nd Ave. SW.
Wed., Dec. 18
 6-8 p.m. - **Open Pickleball Night** - For new or experienced players, \$7 day pass or membership required. Rough Rider Center.
Fri., Dec. 20, Mon., Dec. 23, Thurs., Dec. 26, Fri., Dec. 27 & Mon., Dec. 30, 4-7 p.m.; Sat., Dec. 21, Sun., Dec. 22, Sat., Dec. 28 & Sun., Dec. 29 1-4 p.m.
Holiday Indoor Mini Golf - A smaller version of the Indoor Mini Golf Course. \$5/person/round. Rough Rider Center.
Sat., Dec. 21
 3 p.m. - **Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol" Production** - Adapted & presented by McKenzie County Community Theater. \$10 for adults; \$5 for students, free for kids under 5. Watford City High School.
Sat., Dec. 21, 28
 11 a.m. - **Saturday Morning Christmas Classics Food Drive** - Christmas classics on the big screen. 2 canned goods = free movie ticket. 6 Shooters Showhall & Cafe.
Tues., Dec. 31
 7 p.m.-1 a.m. - **Leather & Lace** - Bull riding, women's bronc riding, bull fighting, live music. McKenzie County Ag Expo. For more info visit mccageexpo.com.

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT.

Now-Tues., Dec. 31
 5:30-9:30 p.m. - **Spring Lake Park Holiday Lights Drive** - Enjoy thousands of holiday lights in over 75 displays from inside your vehicle. Entry fee \$5 vehicle. Dec. 18: Hayrides; Dec. 19: Selfies with Santa; Dec. 20: The Polar Express; Dec. 21: Free Car Night; Dec. 22: Luminary Sunday; Dec. 23: Cookie Decorating. For more info visit <https://visitwilliston.com/events/2024-spring-lake-park-holiday-lights-drive/>
Wed., Dec. 18
 10-10:30 a.m. **Toddler Time** - Ages 2 & 3. Read stories, sing songs, dance, play games, & engage in social play. Williston Community Library, 1302 Davidson Drive.
 12-2 p.m. - **Homeschool Hangout** - Free play with library materials, LEGOs & giant games provided by the library. Williston Library Community Room, 1302 Davidson Drive.
Wed., Dec. 18 & Thurs., Dec. 19
 11 a.m.-12 p.m. - **Preschool Time** - A program designed to instill a love for reading in pre-school aged children & teach them about the library. Williston Community Library, 1302 Davidson Drive.
Fri., Dec. 20
 12-2 p.m. - **LEGO Time** - Free play with LEGOs provided by the library & set out in the community room. Williston Community Library, 1302 Davidson Drive.
Sun., Dec. 22
 1-6 p.m. - **Santa At Safari Trampoline** - Free arcade cards for kids! Safari Trampoline, 3206 26th St W.
Sun., Dec. 22, Mon., Dec. 23
 3-5 p.m. - **Open Ice Skating** - Family fun for all ages. Limited rentals & skating aids for beginners. All ages & abilities are welcome, helmets are encouraged. Fees: \$5 Rental; \$4 adult; \$3 Youth; Free Skating aids for beginners. Raymond Center, Pete Conlin Arena.
Mon., Dec. 23
 10 a.m.-2 p.m. - **Santa At Grandma Sharon's Family Restaurant** - 1501 16th S. W.
Sat., Dec. 28
 10 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Holiday Mystery In The Park** - The Christmas star has gone missing and help Santa & Mrs. Clause find it. Follow a trail of family friendly puzzles & clues to track down the missing star. After the adventure, head to the Visitors Center for hot chocolate. Lewis & Clark State Park, Epping, ND.
 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. All welcome, 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., Dec. 19
 6 p.m. - **Friends of the Library Brains & Brews Trivia** - Get your team together & come test your knowledge, enjoy a brew & support your library. Up to 5 people at a table, \$5 per person. Cross Country Brewing.
 6:30-9:30 p.m. - **It's A White Chapel Game Night, Charlie Brown** - The Christmas edition of game night with a Peanuts themed party. Open to all ages. Enjoy pizza & do a group game/gift exchange. If possible bring 2 small wrapped items for the gift exchange. White Chapel Mennonite Church.
Tues., Dec. 31, 9 p.m.-Wed., Jan. 1, 2 a.m.
New Year's Eve with Sideways Cover Band - Party favors, drink specials & fireworks at midnight. Wagon Wheel Bar, 1615 W. Towne St.

Richland Ranger Bantams Attend B-Dubs Shootout Tournament

By Brenda Filler

The Richland Ranger Bantams took 2nd place this past weekend in the B-Dubs Shootout Tournament held in Grand Forks, ND.

Friday night in their first game of the tournament the Bantams faced the Roseau Bearcats, a team out of Minnesota. The Bantams started out the tournament strong with an 8-4 win.

Saturday would bring the Bantams two games. First, they faced West Fargo Stampede and dominated the ice with a 19-0 win. The second game on Saturday brought them up against another Minnesota team the Edina Hornets and end with 6-2 win for the Rangers and a trip to the semi-finals.

Sunday, the Rangers found themselves another two games. They started their day in the semi-finals face to face with the Hallock Rams out of Minnesota. The



The Rangers Paxton Berry plays against West Fargo on Dec. 14. Visit roundupweb.com for more photos. (Photo submitted)

Rangers defeated Hallock 7-0 securing their place in the championship game. Their final game of the tournament brought them face to face with the Thief River Falls Prowlers. After a hard-fought game, the Rangers fell just short with a final score of 1-2. Rangers ended the tournament in 2nd place.

The Bantams ended the weekend with a total of 41 goals, and 29 assists. In net Paxton Berry face 140 shots and made an incredible 132 saves.

Up next the Bantams will travel to North Dakota for four league games against Mandan Mayhem and Bismarck Capitals.

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McKenzie County Community Foundation - Grant Awards

"A Christmas Carol" Live Theater Production Dec. 21



Representatives from McKenzie County Ambulance Service; McKenzie County Heritage Association; McKenzie County Nonprofit Network; Bakken Area Skills Center-Health Occupations Student Association; Alexander Public School District; Long X Arts Foundation; Bakken Oil Rush Ministry; Watford City Swim Team; McKenzie County Hockey Club; Watford City Park District; Hispanic Advocacy of North Dakota; Watford City Figure Skating Club; Horizon Assisted Living; Feed My Starving Children - Watford City MobilePack; Badlands Gymnastics Club; Watford City Youth Basketball. (Photo by by John Suter)

By Katelyn Sponheim

The McKenzie County Community Foundation has been awarding local organizations grant money since 2017. This year's organization's that will receive grant money include: McKenzie County Ambulance

Service; McKenzie County Heritage Association; McKenzie County Nonprofit Network; Bakken Area Skills Center-Health Occupations Student Association; Alexander Public School District; Long X Arts Foundation; Bakken Oil Rush Ministry; Watford City Swim Team; McKenzie County Hockey Club; Watford City Park District; Hispanic Advocacy of North Dakota; Watford City Figure Skating Club; Horizon Assisted Living; Feed My Starving Children-Watford City MobilePack; Badlands Gymnastics Club; and Watford City Youth Basketball.

Funding came from the Foundation's endowment earnings and from ConocoPhillips, with the grant's disbursed total coming to \$48,850. Funding is aimed towards projects for community betterment, and can be applied for annually at www.ndcf.net <https://www.ndcf.net/mckenziecounty>. The grant deadline is always in September. The McKenzie County Community Foundation is affiliated with the

North Dakota Community Foundation; a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. It is managed by local volunteers who work year-round to build the fund and make grant awards. The local committee is made up of Daniel Stenberg, Ty Skarda, Desiree Sorenson, Jan Dodge, Doug Rolfsen, Marcia Hellandsaas, Sara Fitzpatrick and Teale Wold. Donations can also be made on their website.



Photo submitted

By Dianne Swanson

Get rid of the Bah Humbugs with live theater! The McKenzie County Community Theater (MCCT) invites you to attend their adaptation and production of the Charles Dickens classic, "A Christmas Carol", Saturday, Dec. 21 at 3 p.m. CST in the Watford City High School auditorium. Cost for this live theater event is just \$10 at the door.

Although MCCT is just a bit over one year old, this is the fourth performance for the group. It was founded in the summer of 2023 to bring community theater to McKenzie County. They had the goals of creating a place for adults in the

community to be creative through acting and bringing high-quality creative shows for the community to enjoy. According to their current director, Travis Barnes, the program is currently fully participant-run, with everyone in the group taking different roles to make the shows happen.

MCCT welcomes anyone new looking to get involved in a fun, creative activity. For more information, contact the group through email at mckenziecountytheater@gmail.com, or call or text 701-720-2082. You can also get more information at the show this Saturday! See you there!

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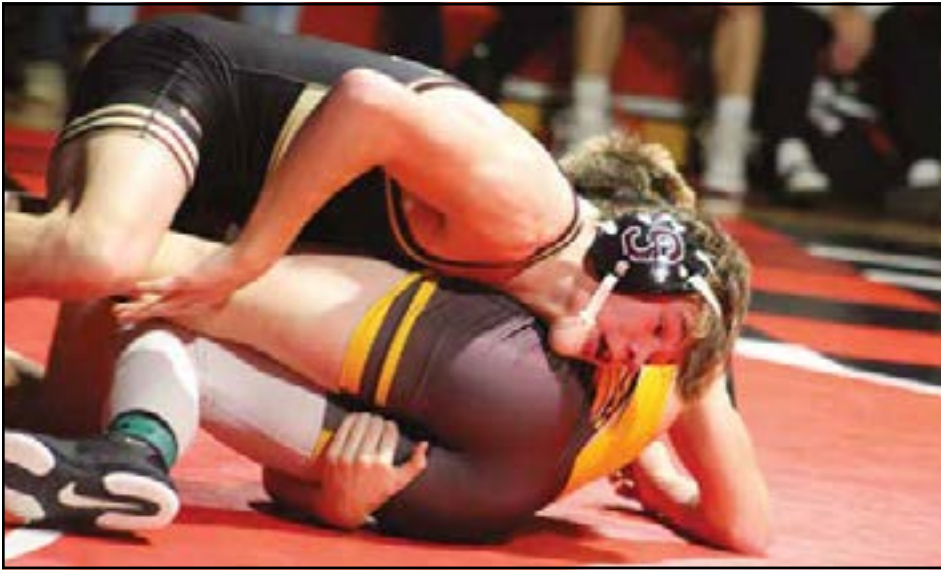
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Sidney Wrestlers Place 1st at Glasgow Meet

Right: The Eagles pose with the first place trophy at the Scottie Invitational Tournament last Saturday. (Photos by Erin Graves)



Aaron Schmitz (Sidney) won by tech fall over Jesse Gebhardt (Choteau) in 5:44 to place 1st at 144#. (Photo by Erin Graves)



Brenner Mullin (Sidney) beat Jake Phalen (Custer Co.) by major decision 9-1 to take 1st place at 138#. (Photo by Erin Graves)

Sidney Middle School Wrestlers Host Home Meet Last Weekend



Landon Franck (Sidney) won by fall over Jack Reed (Williston) (Fall 0:32) in the second round at the Sidney Middle School Eagle Invitational on Dec. 14 at the Sidney High School gym. Franck placed 1st at 111-114#. (Photo by Jody Wells)

Sidney Middle School Eagle Invitational Results for Sidney, Dec. 14.	place is 1st 94-98: Titus Edinger's place is 1st	place is 4th 230-242: Toryn Gonzalez's place is 2nd
Middle School Boys Results:	102-105: Toby Kleinke's place is 3rd	Middle School Girls Results:
69-74: Kannan Hofer's place is 4th	106-110 B: Max Kleinke's place is 1st	139-153: Alena Jasin's place is 4th
77-83: Ziggy Bailey's place is 3rd	110-121: Case Bradford's place is 2nd	Team Scores
82-89: Tatum Beiswanger's place is 1st	111-114: Landon Franck's place is 1st	1. Dickinson: 222.0
83-86: Cormac Reid's place is 3rd	113-122: Brody Eustice's place is 3rd	2. Williston: 160.0
85-92 A: Brady Eustice's place is 4th	130-140 A: Greyson Gordor's place is 5th	3. Miles City: 158.0
89-95: Hazen Foss's place is 1st	136-140: Anthony Leon's place is 4th	4. Glasgow: 133.0
92-96: Henry Maurer's place is 1st	166-182: Matthew Allen's place is 2nd	5. Glendive: 132.0
93-98: Lincoln Milton's	211-225: Jeremiah Hill's	6. Sidney: 128.0
		7. Malta: 113.0
		8. Bowman: 69.0
		9. Wolf Point: 62.0
		10. Plentywood: 59.0

29th Annual Scotties Invitational Wrestling Tournament Sidney Results	165# Cody Crooks - 7th	Team Scores
103# Eli Lonski - 4th	165# Traden McKee - 8th	1 Sidney 237.5
110# Tyson Syth - 2nd	175# Ty Schepens - 4th	2 Custer Co. Girls 94.0
132# Yuriah Camacho - 6th	190# Cooper Fulgham - 8th	3 Glasgow, MT 166.0
138# Brenner Mullin - 1st	215# Thor Fulgham - 3rd	4 Baker Girls 146.5
144# Aaron Schmitz - 1st	285# Stetson Ames - 6th	5 Choteau 139.5
150# Reece Graves - 1st		6 Custer Co. (Miles City) 129.5
157# Lance Allen - 6th		7 Conrad 123.5
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Ava Fry looks for an open teammate to pass to during the game against Columbus. (Photo by Keri McPherson Photography)

Fairview Warriors Basketball Teams Compete At Red Lodge Wooden Memorial Basketball Tournament

The Fairview Warriors basketball team traveled to Red Lodge for the Wooden Memorial Basketball tournament Dec. 13-14.

Friday, the Fairview Warriors girls played the Red Lodge Rams. Fairview girls won their game 55-15. Fairview Warriors boys lost to Red Lodge 56 38.

Saturday, Fairview Warriors played the Columbus Cougars. Fairview boys won their game over Columbus 43-40. Fairview girls lost their game with Columbus 49-27.

This week, Fairview travels to Sidney on Dec. 17 and on Friday Dec. 20 the Warriors play at home against the Baker Spartans.



Sidney Basketball Teams Beat Wolf Point

The Sidney basketball teams were victorious against Wolf Point on Dec. 10. The girls won by a score of 64-34 at home. The boys won 64-44 in Wolf Point. Pictured is Sidney's Avé Norby scoring on a fast break. Norby finished the game with 18 points. (Photo by Jody Wells)



Wyatt McPherson tips and steals the ball against Columbus. (Photo by Keri McPherson Photography)

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By Stephanie Ler, RS, MPH
Environmental Health Director
Richland County Health Department

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McKenzie Health DAISY Award Winner Recognized: Kathryn Jones, LPN – Pediatrics

By Lynn Welker-Fevold, MMHC, ACHE

Watford City, ND – Kathryn Jones, McKenzie Health Pediatrics team LPN, was honored on Dec. 3 with The DAISY Award® For Extraordinary Nurses. Forty nominations were received during this cycle. The award is part of the DAISY Foundation's programs to recognize the super-human efforts nurses perform every day. Thirty nominations were received for this selection cycle. This recognition is celebrated twice a year – May and December.

Kathryn was born and raised in Arkansas and is the oldest of 5 children. She graduated with her LPN certificate from the U of A Community College at Morrilton in 2003. She went on to receive her Bachelor's of Science degree in psychology in May 2021. The nomination submitted about Kathryn read: "My son had a severe rash all over his arms that he had for about three months. I had taken him to several doctors and no one was giving us any real solutions. I reached out to Kathryn at the Pediatric Clinic, and she made sure that I could get an appointment for my son promptly so he could get some relief. When I brought him to his appointment that week, Kathryn made him feel very at ease as he had to have bloodwork done and is extremely afraid of needles. Kathryn was very kind and patient with him, offering to put numbing cream on his arm so that the needle poke would not be as painful. He agreed to let Kathryn put numbing cream on his arm and was able to successfully have his blood drawn. Kathryn also went out of her way to contact me the next day to ask if the new med-

icine that Dr. McDonough prescribed offered my son any relief. This shows to me that Kathryn is very caring and concerns greatly for her patients." Rosie Daly – RN, Clinic Manager, said, "Kathryn is detail-oriented and has excellent communication skills when it comes to working with families and especially children. With her calm demeanor, she has the ability to help patients put anxiousness at bay by answering questions and has the extra mile to follow-up. We are very fortunate to have a dedicated team member like Kathryn serving children alongside Dr. McDonough!" Pete Edis, McKenzie Health CEO, added, "One of the many highlights of being CEO is having the opportunity to recognize our dedicated and talented employees. Kathryn is an exceptional LPN and asset to our team. She brings positivity to her role in pediatrics. Furthering her dedication to nursing, Kathryn, is working on her RN degree. Congratulations to Kathryn for her outstanding contributions to McKenzie Health and most importantly, to the children and parents that depend on rural healthcare." Of receiving this award, Kathryn says, "I have had several jobs over the years but working pediatrics is one of my all-time favorite places to work. Even when kiddos feel bad and just want to be left alone but they see you, and you get a smile out of them, it just makes what I do worthwhile. I have several years of working with special needs kids both in a facility and at home. I have worked as a private duty nurse in the homes of kids with tracheostomies and on ventilators. I even learned some sign language from one family, and



Kathryn Jones, LPN, DAISY Award Winner. (Photo submitted by Lynn Welker)

the way they go through the hardships of life with a smile and are still giggling all the time really makes you stop and think. Life can be hard, but it is how you let it impact your life that matters most. If a child that was born with all the hardships one little body can endure and they can still smile through, it just proves how mighty God is. I'm reminded that He will never give us more than He knows we can handle. Working in pediatrics can be the most rewarding and heartbreaking position a person can have. I am so grateful and honored to be able to serve this community as a pediatric nurse for McKenzie Health."

If you or a loved one has received extraordinary care, please nominate your nurse for the DAISY Award! You can apply by written or digital application. To apply online, please visit mckenziehealth.com/daisy-award-nomination/.

The not-for-profit DAISY Foundation was estab-

lished by family members in memory of J. Patrick Barnes. Patrick died at the age of 33 in late 1999 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little known but not uncommon auto-immune disease. The care Patrick and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired this unique means of thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their patients and patient families.

Bonnie Barnes, FAAN, Doctor of Humane Letters (h.c) and The DAISY Foundation co-founder said, "When Patrick was critically ill, our family experienced first-hand the remarkable skill and care nurses provide patients every day and night. Yet these unsung heroes are seldom recognized for the super-human work they do. The kind of work the nurses at McKenzie Health are called on to do every day epitomizes the purpose of The DAISY Award."

McKenzie Health BEE Award Winner Recognized – Kayla Botteicher, CNA



Kayla Botteicher, CAN, BEE Award Winner. (Photo submitted by Lynn Welker)

By Lynn Welker-Fevold, MMHC, ACHE

Watford City, ND – Kayla Botteicher, Good Shepherd Home CNA, was awarded the BEE Award – Being Excellent Every Day, on Dec. 3. The award is offered to any professional who is not a nurse, and nominations can be submitted from patients, family, community members, or staff. It is provided in conjunction with the DAISY Award for nurses. Seventy-nine (79) nominations were received for this selection cycle. BEE and DAISY Award recognition is celebrated twice a year – May and December.

Kayla is originally from Powers Lake, ND, and has worked in healthcare for 9 years; 4 years in long term care and 5 years in home care/hospice. Currently, she is enrolled in the CMA course to further her education. When she is not working or studying, she is usually on the road to see her son's sports games, with family, or at home cooking and watching football. The nomination submitted about Kayla read: "Kayla started here in April of this year and has continued to grow and flourish with us. She advocates for her residents, makes them feel special, loves them, and truly treats each one like they are her grandparents. Kayla's love for her residents shines each day. She is always willing to jump in and help whenever, wherever. Kayla treats each resident fairly and does not show any favoritism, although I bet, she does have her favorites! She comes to work, smiles even when things are not going well, and is another excellent asset to the Good Shepherd Home. Kayla has been juggling her home life, work life, and class life all at once (she is taking the CMA class)." Tami Peterson, Good Shepherd Home nursing director, said, "Kayla is reliable and dependable; she is dedicated to her role, the residents, and her teammates. I appreciate her personal effort to go above and beyond as she is a blessing to have on board." Pete Edis, McKenzie Health CEO, added, "One of the many highlights of being CEO is having the opportunity to recognize our dedicated and talented employees. Kayla was nominated and selected by her peers for the BEE Award, which makes the honor that much more special. Congratulations to Kayla for her outstanding contributions to the Good Shepherd Home and most importantly, to the residents that depend on rural healthcare."

If you have had an excellent experience with a McKenzie Health professional, please nominate that person for the BEE Award! You can apply by written or digital application. To apply online, please visit mckenziehealth.com/bee-award/.

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Sidney OB/GYN Combines Medicine & Storytelling To Support Cancer Patient



Dr. Malua Tambi. (Photo submitted)

By Rita Steinbeisser
Dr. Malua Tambi, a dedicated OB/GYN at Sidney Health Center, has merged her love of medicine and storytelling to create a heartfelt children's book, "A New Baby for Our Family". Inspired by her experiences as both a physician and a mother of three, the book helps families navigate the joys and challenges of welcoming a new baby. Told through the eyes of a young child preparing for a sibling's arrival, the story provides reassurance and empathy, addressing emotions like excitement, curiosity, and apprehension. "It's a story of love and connection," Dr. Tambi shared. "It shows children that while life changes, a parent's love remains constant." But this book is more than a resource for fami-

lies—it's a generous act of kindness for one of Dr. Tambi's patients. All proceeds from the book's first year of sales will support a young mother, who is undergoing treatment for leukemia. Diagnosed shortly after giving birth to her first child, this patient's story exemplifies the resilience of families facing profound challenges. "I hope the funds will ease her financial burden and remind her she is deeply cared for," Dr. Tambi said. For Dr. Tambi, this initiative highlights the power of compassion and giving. "By purchasing this book, my hope is that it not only brings comfort to a child but also makes a tangible difference in someone's life. Storytelling has the power to bring people together and spread hope." "A New Baby for Our

Family is available on Amazon under Dr. Tambi's pen name, MaNaLeo. She encourages community members to spread the word through social media and local networks to amplify the mission's impact. With her debut publication, Dr. Tambi aims to highlight the importance of helping others in their time of need. "Even amidst our own struggles and joys, there's always room to make a difference in the lives of others," she shared. As a doctor, Dr. Tambi's days are often unpredictable and demanding, leaving little time for creative work. However, she explains that writing serves as an outlet for her, and she became determined to bring the children's book to completion when the patient in her care was diagnosed with cancer.

It served as motivation and a means to help someone in need. In addition to the children's book, Dr. Tambi has created complementary products, including a coloring book, children's journal, and a 100-page activity book—all available on Amazon. Her developing website, MontanaOBGYN.com, also serves as a resource for all things OB/GYN and parenting-related, from pregnancy to delivery and much more. Support this inspiring initiative and join Sidney Health Center in celebrating a physician whose dedication to her patients extends far beyond the exam room, bringing hope and healing through storytelling and generosity.

Sidney Speech, Drama & Debate Teams Compete in Glendive Meet



Top row: Cedar Hovde, Brooke Watson, Megan Rachor, Mackenzie Mumford. Bottom row: Whisper Enriquez, Ian Pust, Cedar Hovde. (Photo by Christy Pierce)



Top Row: Bobby Knotts, Tytus Carter, Keaton Burke, Elicia Snodgrass. 2nd Row: Mason Quick, Signe Halvorson, Oliver Slade, Ivy Cross, Zander Capwell, Aaron Dominguez Valdez. (Photo by Christy Pierce)

Submitted by Christy Pierce
The Sidney Speech and Drama Teams took 2nd and Debate Team placed 3rd at the Dawson Meet. Results: Pantomime: 1st Emma Pust, 3rd Whisper Enriquez, 6th Ian Pust. Dramatic Theatre: 4th Megan Rachor and Mackenzie Mumford. Humorous Solo: 5th Cedar Hovde. Humorous Theatre: 5th Brooke Watson & Cedar Hovde. Original Oratory: 1st Tytus Carter, 3rd Bobby Knotts. Extemporaneous: 1st Keaton Burke, 4th Elicia Snodgrass. Informative: 3rd Mason Quick, 5th Signe Halvorson. Lincoln Douglas: 4th Ivy Cross, 5th Oliver Slade. Public Forum: 4th Zander Capwell & Aaron Dominguez Valdez. Up next for the team is the annual Dessert Theatre Public Performance at the Pella Community Room Sunday, Jan. 5 at 2 p.m. Come out and support the team and eat delicious desserts. It is a free will donation!"



Stay Safe This Winter

By Becky Bradley, Richland Co. Commission on Aging President
Winter weather is nothing new to those of us living in Eastern Montana, but the ice, snow and cold temperatures still combine to form some challenging obstacles. Slippery sidewalks and cold weather can easily cause a wide range of injuries for anyone but for seniors, a simple fall

on the ice often results in more than strained muscles. Taking some simple extra precautions can go a long way toward keeping you safe this winter. Dress for the Weather – Wear loose layers of clothing. The air between the layers helps to keep you warm. Put on a hat and scarf; you lose a lot of body heat when your head and neck are uncovered. Wear a waterproof coat or jacket if it's snowy

and change your clothes right away if they get damp or wet. In very cold temperatures, make sure to cover all exposed skin and use a scarf to cover your nose and mouth. Stay Hydrated – A variety of winter factors can cause moisture to leave our bodies quickly, leading to dehydration. Older adults are already at risk of dehydration because they naturally have less water in their bodies.

They're also more likely to have health conditions or take medicines that increase their risk of dehydration. Stay hydrated by drinking water throughout the day, especially if you are, or have recently been, ill with a fever, vomiting, or diarrhea. Protect Your Skin – As we age our skin becomes thinner, drier, and more fragile. Winter weather can take a toll on aging skin, causing crack-

ing and bleeding, leading to infection. In addition to staying hydrated, older adults need to use moisturizing cream regularly; it is especially effective after bathing when the skin is most absorbent. Avoid Slips and Falls – Icy, snowy roads and sidewalks make it easy to slip and fall. Often these falls cause major injuries such as hip and wrist fractures, head trauma and major lacerations. Make sure steps and walkways are clear before you walk. Be especially careful if you see wet pavement that could be iced over. Clear way snow and salt your walkways at home or hire someone to do it for you. Wear boots with non-skid soles – this will prevent you from slipping. If you use a cane, replace the rubber tip before it is worn smooth. Upon returning home, remove your shoes immediately so you don't create wet floors which promote tripping hazards inside. Keep the Car Tuned – "Winterize" your car before the really bad weather hits! This means having the antifreeze, tires,

and windshield wipers checked and changed if necessary. Remember your cell phone when you drive in bad weather and always let someone know where you are going and when you should be expected back. Avoid driving on icy roads and be especially careful driving on overpasses or bridges. Consider alternate routes, even if means driving a longer distance, if the more direct route is less safe. Often bigger roads are cleared of snow better than smaller ones. Stock your car with basic emergency supplies such as: water, dried food, flashlight, first aid kit, blankets, extra warm clothes, booster cables, windshield scraper, a shovel, and bag of sand or cat litter in case your wheels start spinning. Winter injuries are more common than most people think; taking these extra precautions will help keep you safe so you can welcome 2025 with the best physical health possible. Remember, spring is only a few months away!

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Claims must either be mailed to KATHY GAIL JOHNSON, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested at The Savage Law Firm, PO Box 1105, Sidney, Montana 59270 or filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court.

DATED this 3rd day of December, 2024.
KATHY GAIL JOHNSON
Personal Representative

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MONTANA SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT,

RICHLAND COUNTY
In the Matter of the Estate of John (Jack) Henderson, Deceased.
CAUSE NO. DP-24-42-2024-0000099-II

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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 Sherill Terry Henderson, return receipt requested, at c/o Donald L. Netzer, 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 20th day of November, 2024.
Sherill Terry Henderson,
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REQUEST FOR BIDS
Notice is hereby given that the Alexander Public School District has one (1) manufactured home (Serial Number #RED363951MNAB) available for purchase through sealed bidding. The minimum bid for this home is: **Reasonable Offer**. Interested parties may submit a qualified bid by

delivering a sealed envelope conspicuously labeled "Sealed Bid – House Sale" containing a cashier's check made payable to "Alexander Public School District" in the amount of the bid. Bids must include the bidder's name, phone number, address, bid amount, and bidder's signature. Bids must be hand delivered or mailed to

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and must be received no later than **4:00 p.m. on 01/08/2025**. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the **7:00p.m. APS School Board meeting on 01/08/2025**. Any bids that do not comply with the foregoing may, at the District's sole discretion, be rejected and returned to the bidder. Any bids that are not accepted by the District shall be returned to the bidder.

The home is located at the following address: 518 Comet Street, Alexander, ND 58831. Public inspection of the home may be arranged by calling 701-828-3334 to set up an appointment for viewing. The District is selling the structure, not the real property. The home is sold AS IS, and the District makes no warranty of the condition of the home. Each bidder shall be responsible for verifying condition and accuracy of the home prior to submitting a bid.

The successful bidder must move the home off the premises on or before May 15, 2025,

transport the structure in manner that complies with applicable law, and transport the structure to a location authorized by law. Upon compliance with the foregoing, the District shall deliver one or more documents to the successful bidder conveying the District's right, title, and interest in the home. If the successful bidder does not comply with the foregoing, without limiting the District's available remedies, the District shall have the authority to retain all right, title, and interest of and to the structure and/or use all the funds submitted by the bidder to remove, transport, store, sell, and/or otherwise dispose of the structure. By submitting a bid, the bidder agrees that, in the event the bidder fails to comply with its obligations, the District's use of the bid amount is fair and reasonable under the circumstances including the actual damages likely to be suffered by the District if the bidder fails to perform. The bidder further agrees bid amount will not be disproportionate to damages that could reasonably be anticipated by the District if the bidder fails to perform.

The School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities or irregularities in a bid received, to hold bids for a period of 30 days, and to accept that bid which appears to be in the best interests of the District.

Alexander Public School District
Leslie Bieber, Superintendent
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**By Pam Elliott,
Administrator
James Memorial Art Center**

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The JMCA is a nonprofit art center operated by the James Memorial Preservation Society in the historic original Williston Library building, which opened in February 1911. The James Memorial Preservation Society, in leasing the building from the city, assumed full financial responsibility for the maintenance and repair of the building and for exhibitions and activities held in it. Our mission is to share art and culture with the community of Williston, while preserving the historic building known as The James Memorial Art Center.

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Activity nights include: Dec. 19: Selfies with Santa; Dec. 20: The Polar Express; Dec. 22: Luminary Sunday; Dec. 23: Cookie Decorating; Dec. 26: The Great Elf Send-Off; Dec. 27: Unicorn Night; and Dec. 30: Unicorn Night.

For more info visit <https://visitwilliston.com/signature-events/spring-lake-park-holiday-lights-drive/>.

Grants Available To Schools Seeking To Add Trades Curricula

**By Sabrina Ramey
Executive Officer
Western Area Builders Association**

Williston, ND - Educators and school administrators in northwest North Dakota interested in bringing trades instruction to their high schools are encouraged to apply for the Schools to Skills grant through the Home Builders Institute (HBI)

HBI is the nation's leading educational resource for career technical education in the building industry. Their award-winning Pre-Apprenticeship Certificate Training (PACT) is one of only three pre-apprenticeship curricula recognized by the Department of Labor. Vetted by subject matter experts, PACT guarantees students will learn residential construction focused skills, receive hands-on training, and master the knowledge needed for employment in an entry-level job in the building industry.

Understanding the enormous need for skilled workers in the construction industry, HBI launched the Schools to Skills grant in 2019. This initiative provides schools with the resources to implement the PACT curriculum at no cost for two years. By removing financial barriers, HBI aims to make high-quality trades education accessible to more students across the country.

The two-year Schools to Skills grant program provides funding to assist secondary schools in creating or enhancing their construction trades programs. It provides a no-cost pathway toward industry-recognized certifications for middle school and high school students.

PACT Instructor Training and Certification is included in the program. Following the initial instructor certification, a mentorship period commences to provide continuous support and social learning opportunities alongside fellow instructors.

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HBI partners with the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), its 140,000 members, and more than 700 state and local Home Builders Associations like Western Area Builders Association in northwest North Dakota to make programs like PACT available.

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- Theft of a firearm (x4)
- Possession of a firearm by a convicted felon (x4)
- Reckless Endangerment (extreme indifference)
- Driving Under Suspension (DUS)

We are glad to report that no one sustained injuries during this event. Law Enforcement involved in this event did not have bumper cars on their list of things to do that night, but apparently Emerson did, and lost.

A special thanks to the Watford City Police Department for their assistance in this pursuit, and to the North Dakota Highway Patrol for their expertise on taking the crash report(s) as a result of this event.

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