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# County Obtains Mobile Command Unit

By Bill Vander Weele

Richland County is now in possession of a Mobile Command Unit, EM-3, that could be worth its weight in gold if a high priority or time extended emergency occurs in the area.

"It's something that we have talked about for a long time," Brandon Roth, Richland County's emergency management director, said. "Having this in our own toolbox will benefit the residents of Richland County. It's awesome."

A grant from the Department of Homeland Security is paying about 90 % of the purchase. DES successfully obtained the grant about a year and a half ago.

Mobile Concepts, Mount Pheasant, PA., built the command unit. Total cost is about \$220,000.

Roth explained that more and more agencies are starting to feature mobile command stations. Along with emergency situations, the command unit will also

be utilized at events with large attendance such as the Richland County Fair.

An example of where the unit would be extremely beneficial is when a large fire occurs into a remote area.

Roth noted that a large amount of emergencies occur when there's not a power source near. The command unit features an on-board generator so both heat during freezing temperatures and air conditioned during 100-degree days will be available to provide emergency responders with relief.

The conference room, near the front of the 34-foot long trailer, provides a space where officials can review information and discuss strategies. "We can pull up real-time maps as we operate," Roth said.

The command center includes four stations with both computer and radio systems so responders can coordinate as much as possible. Digital displays of

drone imagery is also available.

A camera system provides visual information from all around the vehicle.

With full radio capability, officials can respond to both responders on scene and those coming from other communities.

There is power and internet service available throughout the command center.

"In theory, we can be anywhere and get full internet service," Roth said.

Also impressive is a full-scale lighting system that will light up the emergency site. Roth added the lighting is vital since many emergencies, including search and rescues, occur during late night hours.

"The units added capability for emergency management and many other emergency services agencies will drastically increase our response ability while on larger or extended emergencies by giving the incident



Brandon Roth, Richland County emergency management director, shows the inside of the new Mobile Command Unit in the county. A grant from the Department of Homeland Security paid for 90% of the unit. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

commanders a fully functional workspace to manage,

maintain, and oversee incidents while having new-age

tools available at a moments notice," Roth said.

# Torch Run Attracts Good Participation

By Bill Vander Weele

Area law enforcement along with athletes from Richland Opportunities Inc., were enthused to participate in the Richland County leg of the Special Olympics' Torch Run on Wednesday, May 8.

Sidney police officer Brett Norby reports that representatives from the Fairview Police Department, Richland County Sheriff's Office and Sidney Police Department all took part in the annual event.

Norby has served as the leg leader since 2020. He explained that the program helps fund a Special Olympics' team in Sidney.

"It's really nice to see the faces of all the athletes," Norby said. "It's really cool."

The Richland County leg started at Sharbono Park in Fairview at about 8 a.m. Some students even participated in the Fairview portion of the journey.

About 30 individuals from ROI, including 11 Special Olympics athletes, greeted the runners at the Shops at Fox Run parking lot shortly after 10 a.m. The crew then took the torch through Sidney as far as the Cenex parking lot.

When LaShell Sheehan, ROI medical manager, asked in a cheerful yell if the ROI clients were excited



Running into Sidney for the Torch Run were (from left) Chris Waters, Jill Wagner, Tara Zody, Dan Smiley and Megan Garza. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

to be at the Torch Run, she received an enthusiastic "yes!" from the crew.

"They really enjoy being a part of the community," Sheehan said.

The Torch Run's mission is to raise funds and awareness of the Special Olympics movement world-

wide. The funds help provide year-round sports training and athletic competition.

This year, Guardians will carry the Flame of Hope more than 1,800 miles across Montana. The arrival and lighting of the cauldron will

officially begin the State Summer Games in Billings on May 15.

Other stops for the relay throughout the state included Plentywood, Libby, Kalispell, Billings, Glasgow, Malta, Boulder, Anaconda, Cut Bank, Hardin and Lewistown.

# Police Finds Body Believed To Be Breeanna Ward

The search for former Richland County resident Breeanna Ward apparently came to a sad and tragic end on Sunday.

The Williston Police Department reports that approximately at 1:44 p.m. on Sunday, officers were dispatched to the 400 Block of 11th Ave W. for a report of an unresponsive person who was believed to be deceased.

Upon arrival, officers confirmed the presence of a

deceased individual matching the description of Ward, who was reported missing on Feb. 28, 2024. Positive identification has yet to be made. The investigation into the circumstances surrounding this individual's death is currently ongoing. Ward was born on April 23, 1996.

Travis Bateman, Badlands Search and Rescue, extends deepest condolences to the friends and family.

Badlands SAR worked in conjunction with Breeanna

Ward's family to conduct a search in the Williston area on April 27. Several searches were then conducted May 11, in northwest McKenzie County, with the assistance of three K9 teams from Search and Rescue Dogs of the United States and in collaboration with the McKenzie County Sheriff's Office.

"We thank the three K9 teams and their handlers that came to assist from as far away as Grand Junction and Boulder, CO., and

Bozeman, MT," Bateman said. "We certainly must also thank the investigations team and patrol deputies from the McKenzie County Sheriff's Office that greatly aided in our efforts on May 11."

Bateman added, "As the loved ones state in their Facebook posting regarding this development, we also ask that people refrain from rumors and gossip. Allow the investigators at the Williston Police Department, who

have been tenacious and diligent beyond reproach in this case, do their work and allow the agency to update with factual information as it can be released."

The Williston Police Department is working to gather all relevant information and will provide updates as they become available. Anyone with information pertaining to this case is urged to contact the Williston Police Department at 701-577-1212

# Dogs On The Deck To Return

By Dianne Swanson

Kent Pelton Park in Watford City is the place to be Thursday evenings from 5 to 8:30 p.m. CDT May 23, through June 27, as Long X Posse hosts Dogs on the Deck. Multiple local non-profits benefit from this annual fundraiser while attendees enjoy a night of family fun showcasing local bands and artists.

Start off with a foot-long beef hot dog with all the trimmings, chips, a cookie and a bottle of water for only \$5. Kids of all ages will find plenty of activities, games and crafts at the TR Energy Center. Stop by the beer garden, featuring new brews each week from Watford City's own Stonehome Breweries. Your original beer cup is \$5 with refills only \$3.

Then relax and enjoy the music, which begins at 5:30 p.m., each evening. The schedule for this season is Brandon Foster, May 23; Anselmo Hernandez, May 30; Lane Sandstrom, June 6; Mick Soiseth, June 13; Tool & Kari, June 20, and Josey & The Whalers, June 27.

Organizer LeeAnn Brown is excited for this year's Dogs on the Deck. "There are so many changes, the new location of Kent Pelton Park is fantastic. The event has grown every year and this year it's larger than ever. We're so looking forward to seeing everyone again, our family, friends and acquaintances over the next six weeks. This has become one of the premiere events of the summer!"

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Current Elevation.....	1836.3
Last Week's Elev. ....	1835.3
One Year Ago .....	1829.8
Release For Day (C.F.S.) .....	18,000

**SIDNEY WEATHER DATA**  
Source: MSU Eastern Agricultural Research Center

Date	High	Low	Precip.
May 6 .....	61	52	0.460
May 7 .....	57	49	1.170
May 8 .....	59	48	0.080
May 9 .....	72	46	0.000
May 10 .....	74	44	0.000
May 11 .....	83	48	0.000
May 12 .....	71	47	0.000
Total 2024 YTD Precipitation.....	2.690		



LuAnn Sharbono, left, and her husband Rick were honored for their years of service to the Fairview Food Bank on Sunday, May 5. Taking over the reins is Jodi McPherson. (Photo by Dianne Swanson)

**Sharbonos Honored For Service To Fairview Food Bank**

**By Dianne Swanson**  
Rick and LuAnn Sharbono were honored at Zion Lutheran Church on Sunday, May 5, for their 35 years volunteering for the Fairview Food Bank.  
Rick started volunteering in 1989 as a Zion council member, and brought LuAnn and their two children Danny and Marci along for the ride. They have cheerfully served thousands of needy people over the years but the time has come for their retirement from the job.  
The Fairview Food Bank is now in the capable hands of Jodi McPherson, Zion Lutheran Church sec-

retary, who was blessed by Pastor Timothy O'Shields on Sunday as well.  
The Food Bank is located at Zion and is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Contact the church at 406-742-5523 or the Richland County Food Bank at 406-433-8142. Both food and monetary donations are always welcome. Food may be taken to Zion, monetary donations may be made at Merchants Bank in Fairview.  
Thank you Rick and LuAnn for your dedication all these years!

**State Clerk Candidate Comes To Richland County**

**By Bill Vander Wee**  
Candidate Erin Farris-Olsen wants to take politics out of the Clerk of Montana Supreme Court office.  
Farris-Olsen, one of two Democrats running for the position currently held by Republican Bowen Greenwood, spent time in Sidney last week to attend the state clerk of district courts convention. She said she is proud of the Democrat party's values of fairness and equality, but she feels the office should leave their politics at the door.  
"The clerk should serve all people and not be politicized," Farris-Olsen said.  
She explained the clerk's duties include reviewing all filings to make sure the documents comply with the court's rules before they are reviewed. She said it's important for the clerk to be objective and unbiased.  
She is a licensed attorney, has worked as a court clerk and assisted Montanans from all areas of the state in accessing court documents and information.  
Farris-Olsen has worked throughout Montana with clerks of court, judges and fellow attorneys. She says she is aware of the challenges our legal community and the public encounter when navigating the judiciary. Her court-help



Farris-Olsen

project has assisted individuals facing unrepresentative litigation.  
"When people come for my assistance, I don't ask what their politics are," Farris-Olsen said.  
Regarding why she decided to run for the position, she says she has become discouraged and frustrated by how politicized the office is acting. She feels if a court official tips the scale in one person's favor, the action is actually hurting everybody.  
She points out that Greenwood has come out with Montana Attorney General Austin Knudsen to support pro-life, pro-family legislation.  
"He's opening saying that he supports some attorneys in front of others," Farris-Olsen said.

**Sidney Band Students Earn Top Honors At State Festival**

Sidney High School band students excelled during the State Music Festival held in Billings on May 3-4.  
Among Sidney's standouts was junior Mercedes Lamb who earned superior ratings for her piano solo, her xylo solo and marimba solo.  
Also earning superior awards for solos were Daxton Brower, Alyssa Batchelor, Jhonatan Delgado, Xander Schlothauer, Joshua Pollari, Logan Lowrey, Morgan Kindopp, Lucy Sommerfeld, Daniel Stevens, There-

sa Wick, Hayden Wiidanen and Nicholas Jorstad.  
Scoring excellent scores were Delgado on piano, Corben Holler, Monica Steinbeisser and Macki Gonzalez.  
Ensembles earning superior ratings were percussion ensemble, trombone trio, the gold sax quartet, senior trio, clubs and mallets, brass quintet, saxational sax quartet and clarinet quintet.  
Having excellent scores were jazz band and jazz combo.



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**RICHLAND COUNTY**  
Events in Sidney unless otherwise listed. MT.  
**Wed., May 15**  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - **The Myth Of Beauty Waterworks 45th Juried Art Show** - through May 31. - **Clint Whitmer Photography "Eye of the Camera"** - through June 29. - **The 16x20 Show Onesti Krieger** - through June 29. - **MonDak Heritage Center**, 120 3rd Ave. SE. 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., May 16**  
6 p.m. - **Richland County Farm Bureau Federation Candidate Forum** - All voters are encouraged to attend for an informative event & the opportunity to ask questions that matter to you. Coffee & cookies will be provided. Sidney Elks Lodge.  
**Fri., May 17**  
4:30 p.m. - **Newlon Cemetery Cleaning** - Potluck 6 p.m. For more info contact Alida Dore, 406-480-0488 or Paula Bostrom, 406-489-2843.  
**Sun., May 19**  
6 a.m.-1 p.m. - **Firemen's Annual Breakfast** - Free will donations, rides & fun for the kids. Sidney Fire Hall, 1105 3rd St. NW.  
**Tues., May 21**  
5:30 p.m. - **Montana Farmers Union Richland County Local Meeting** - Free & open to members, friends & the public. RSVP appreciated. Call or text Eleanor Dutton, 406-201-5478; edutton@montanafarmersunion.com. Meadowlark Public House, 117 S. Central Ave. For more info visit [montanafarmersunion.com](https://montanafarmersunion.com).  
**Sat., May 25**  
2 p.m. - **Monster Trux Event** - Richland County Fairgrounds. For more info and ticket pricing visit [richland.saffire.com](https://richland.saffire.com).  
5:30 p.m. - **Flashback Pro Wrestling Richland Redemption 2** - High-flying maneuvers, intense one-on-one matches, shocking surprises, championship showdown. Richland Co. Fairgrounds 4-H Grass Arena Grandstands. General admission & ringside seats available. For tickets visit <https://richland.saffire.com/p/tickets>.  
**Fri., May 31**  
11 a.m.-2 p.m. - **3rd Annual RCCOA Older Americans Month Celebration** - Great lunch, no charge to seniors, free will donation for guests; learn about opportunities to help others & upcoming area events for seniors; fun & games; important routine health screenings. Aging Services & Transit Center, 2190 W. Holly St.

**McKENZIE COUNTY**  
Events in Watford City unless otherwise listed. CT.  
**Now through Sat., June 29**  
10 a.m. - **Women of the West: Amanda Heimbuch Gallery Show** - Long X Art Gallery, 100 2nd Ave. SW.  
**Sat., May 18**  
6 p.m.-midnight - **Ag Expo City Slicker Showdown** - Mechanical bull, roping dummy, shooting simulator, DJ Brock, bar & concessions open. \$10 cover charge. Practice 6-8 p.m., competition at 8 p.m., \$40 entry fee. If you don't want to compete but still want to play, \$20 for all night activities. McKenzie Co. Ag Expo, 12880 25th St. NW, Watford City, ND. For more info call 701-842-EXPO.  
**Tues., May 21, 2-4 p.m.**  
**McKenzie County Food Pantry Handouts** - First Lutheran Church, 212 2nd St. NW. For more info visit McKenzie County Food Pantry Facebook page. For questions or concerns call 701-444-3244.  
**Thurs., May 30 & Fri., May 31**  
9 a.m.-12 p.m. - **ND42 Basketball Camp** - For boys & girls entering grades 3-12. Fee \$85. Rough Rider Center, 2209 Wolves Den Parkway. For more info & to register visit [watfordcityparks.com](https://watfordcityparks.com).  
**Sat., June 1**  
9-10:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - **20th Annual Children's Fishing Derby** - Free event for ages 13 & under. Lunch served 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Each child will receive a fishing pole, door prizes throughout the event. Limit 90 kids per session. To pre-register visit [watfordcityparks.com](https://watfordcityparks.com) or call 701-842-3665.

**WILLIAMS COUNTY**  
Events in Williston unless otherwise listed. CT.  
**Wed., May 15-Thur., May 16; Tues., June 18-Thurs., June 19, Wed., July 24-Sun., July 28; Thurs., Aug. 8-Sun., Aug. 11**  
6:30-8:30 p.m. - **Roller Skating AKA SK8 NITE** - All ages & abilities are welcome, helmets encouraged. Limited rentals & skating aids for beginners to use, feel free to bring your own roller skates or roller blades. Raymond Center, Pete Conlin Arena.  
**Thurs., May 16**  
6:30 p.m. - **Basics To Photography** - Recommended for adults. Bring your camera. Covering shooting in manual, composition & more. James Memorial Art Center, 621 1st Ave. W. Register at [www.thejamesmemorial.org/art-classes](http://www.thejamesmemorial.org/art-classes).  
**Sat., May 18**  
**Williston Rural Fire Association Spring Walleye Classic** - \$400 entry, 2 man teams. Lewis & Clark State Park. Mandatory rules meeting May 17, 7 p.m., Upper Missouri Valley Fairgrounds. Burgers, beers & prizes at 6 p.m. Entry forms available at Scenic Sports & Clarke CPA or call Jeff 701-770-0199 or Jason 701-570-3321.  
9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. & 1-3:30 p.m. - **Williston Parks & Recreation Mother Daughter Bonding Day** - Fun filled activities, themed crafts & mouth watering treats. Ages 4 - 12, \$40 per couple + \$20 siblings. Keel Boat, Spring Lake Park, 5906 2nd Ave. W.  
**Sun., May 19 & 26**  
2-3 p.m. - **Clay Plant Markers Art Class** - High school age & adult. Hand-build a set of 8 plant markers in this 2-class series. \$15 members, \$20 not yet members. James Memorial Art Center, 621 1st Ave. W. For more info & to register visit [thejamesmemorial.org](https://thejamesmemorial.org).  
**Wed., May 22**  
10 a.m.-3 p.m. - **City Of Williston Public Works Public Outreach Day** - Meet staff, explore equipment & learn about projects & services. Williston Public Works, 1121 5th St. E.  
**Fri., May 31; June 28, July 26; Aug. 23, Sept. 27, Oct. 25 & Nov. 22**  
6 p.m. - **Spotlight At the James Open Mic** - All ages event designed to celebrate & challenge young performers. James Memorial Art Center, 621 1st Ave. W.

**DAWSON COUNTY**  
Events in Glendive unless otherwise listed. MT.  
**Thurs., May 16**  
6 p.m. - **Friends Of The Library Brains & Brew Trivia** - \$20 for 4-person team, 5-person team \$25. Teams of 1-3 players \$5 each. Cross County Brewing  
**Sat., May 18**  
1-3:30 p.m. - **Kids to Park Day** - Makoshika will be hosting activities to get kids out in the park. Makoshika State Park Visitors Center, 1301 Synder St.  
**Sun., May 19**  
2-4 p.m. - **DCHS Graduation** - Dawson County High School, 900 N. Merrill Ave.  
**Wed., May 23**  
9-10.05 p.m. - **Full Moon Hike** - Join the Makoshika State Park staff for a full moonlight hike under the Makoshika night sky. Makoshika State Park - Lower Group Use Shelter, 1301 Snyder St.  
**Fri., May 31 & Sat., June 1 - Grill & Chill Fundraiser**  
May 31 - 5-9:30 p.m. - **Grill & Chill BBQ** - Family-friendly BBQ & Auction benefiting patients with lung diseases & disorders at Glendive Medical Center. Dawson County Fairgrounds Exhibition Building, 2200 N. Merrill Ave. For ticket info visit <https://www.gmc.org/foundation/grill-chill/> - June 1 - 7 a.m. - **Chill** - 18-Hole Best Ball Scramble. Shotgun start, 8 a.m., lunch on the course, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., free beer & snacks at Holes 2 & 7 all day; prizes awarded, snacks available at 3:30 p.m. Cottonwood Country Club.

# Sidney Native Inducted Into Hall Of Fame

**By Bill Vander Weele**  
Sidney native Mike Albin was recently inducted into the Rapid City, SD, Sports Hall of Fame for his achievements in distance running which includes competing in the world's six major marathons.

"I'm very excited and very humbled that I was chosen from the entire Rapid City athletic community," said Albin, who was in Sidney for the Women's Wellness Collective event last week.

Albin, a 1996 Sidney High School graduate, has competed in a total of 70 marathons including the six major world events held in Boston, Chicago, New York, Berlin, London and Tokyo. He completed the goal of running in the six major marathons when he ran in Tokyo during March 2023.

"It was unbelievable just being in Japan and Tokyo, the largest city in the world," Albin said. He added that marathon attracted

40,000 runners.

Albin competed in the Boston marathon five times and the Chicago marathon four times. His favorite marathon experience came in Berlin. He explained that it was amazing to run near the former Berlin Wall and crossing from East Berlin to West Berlin.

Albin, 47, said his fastest time is 3 hours, 14 minutes for a marathon. He plans to run his next race in July.

"I will keep going as long as my body holds up," Albin said.

His running career started on March 15, 2005, when he looked to get into better physical shape. "I made it about a half-mile and had to walk home," he remembers. That summer, he ran in his first half-marathon and he entered his first marathon that fall.

"We're coming close to 20 years," Albin said of his career.

His routine includes



**Mike Albin was recently inducted into the Rapid City, SD, Sports Hall of Fame for his achievements in distance running.** (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

running between 4-20 miles six days a week. Since tracking his miles beginning in 2013, Albin has ran 17,062 miles. He adds there was no tracking mechanism when he was active from 2005-2012.

He opened the Black

Hills Running Company, which sells shoes and athletic apparel, in June 2022. He was pleased to show his items during the Sidney event last week.

"I always enjoy coming back," Albin said of visiting Sidney.

# New School Trustees Elected

**By Bill Vander Weele**  
Sara McMillen is a new Sidney School Board member after Tuesday's election.

Voters decided on two individuals to serve three-year seats during the election. McMillen received 484 votes as the top vote-getter. Josh McGahan was re-elected with 341 votes. Incumbent Kelly Dey received 330 votes. Trustee Randy Iversen ran unopposed for a two-year position and received 604 votes. Lisa Gorder will be re-appointed by acclamation to the outgoing trustee position.

Elected in Fairview were Marion Kittleson with 220 votes and Lynn Shelmerdine with 172 votes. Jason Deming received 153 votes.

A close race occurred in Culbertson where three candidates ran for two trustee positions. Lisa Stepler topped the candidates with 235 votes. Unofficially, Amber Fox received 141 votes compared to current board chair Mark Colvin's 140 votes for the second position. The official results will be canvassed at Culbertson's next board meeting on Tuesday, May 21.

# City Council Meets In New Chambers

**By Bill Vander Weele**  
Enjoying the first meeting in their brand new City Hall chambers, the Sidney City Council conducted business on Monday, May 6.

"It's kind of a special night for us," Sidney Mayor Rick Norby said early in the meeting.

Clerk/treasurer Jessica Chamberlin said the new chambers feature the technology needed for council and committee meetings to be professionally recorded and then put on the city's website, cityofsidneymt.com, under the agendas and minutes tab.

Montana legislators passed House Bill 890 last year that requires agencies including the governing board of a county, the governing board of a municipi-

ality and school boards to record their public meetings.

"Legally, we're obligated to start it July 1, but we will start as soon as we're able," Chamberlin said of the recordings.

During the meeting, a request by trap club president Kaden Everett to add a skeet range was unanimously approved by the council. "I don't have a problem as long as they are paying for it," public works director Jeff Hintz said of the addition. The trap club will provide Hintz with a layout.

The council approved the first reading for updating the zoning code.

The major changes are intended to increase availability of housing options in residential and commercial districts, data mining center

within industrial districts and a reduction of required parking for residential uses. State mandated changes include reducing required off street parking for residential uses to one space per dwelling unit and reducing the required off street parking for day care home to two spaces.

The motion approved by the zoning board included recommending that the city council has the parking commission research whether the city could require off-street parking for residential use in the central business district.

The budget and finance committee will begin holding meetings to work on the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget.

The city approved a short form agreement with

Interstate Engineering for a drainage project on Red River Drive.

Councilman Frank Difonzo said he's impressed with the new blinking stop signs located at the intersection of Fourth Street and East Main.

# Sawyer Soars To 1,000 Books

Sawyer Hermanson is already a bookworm, reading 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten! She is a regular at Storytime and loves picking out books with her sister Avery, mom, and grandma each week.

Sawyer's favorite books include "Bruce the Bear," "Pete the Cat," and "Disney Princesses."

She enjoys playing with her baby dolls and magna tiles before listening to 4-6 books at bedtime. When she grows up, Sawyer wants to be a graduation girl and Elsa. Sawyer, age 2.5, is the daughter of Wyatt and Caycee Hermanson.

To encourage a love of reaching in children, the Sidney-Richland County Library is promoting "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten", a nationwide program that

encourages parents and caregivers to read aloud with their children every day. Research continually shows that children who are read aloud to every day before kindergarten will have higher scores and more success when they begin school. Most importantly, sharing books with children promotes a lifelong love of books and learning.

The theme of the Sidney-Richland County Library program is "Reading is Magic". Children receive a small prize at each 100-level milestone, and at the end of the program, participants earn a certificate and T-shirt for successful completion.

This program is free to children ages 0-5 and their families. Stop by the library to sign up today!



**Sawyer Hermanson has read 1,000 books through the Sidney-Richland County Library.** (Submitted photo)

## Ric Holden

Congressional Agriculture Candidate

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## OBITUARIES

### William "Bill" Brunner, 87 Sidney, MT

Celebration of Life services for William "Bill" Brunner, 87, will be Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, Sidney, with Pastor Richard Evan Officiating. Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home, Sidney, is assisting the family. Remembrances, condolences, and pictures

may be shared with the family at [www.fulkersons.com](http://www.fulkersons.com).

William "Bill" Brunner, 87, peacefully passed away on Monday, Jan. 22, 2024, at the Sidney Health Center with family by his side.



Members of the Blooming Brains Homeschool Group lend their assistance during the Sunrise City Cleanup held on Friday. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

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## Update Provided For Test Flows

**By Bill Vander Weele**  
Test flows from Fort Peck Dam will be at 10,000 cubic feet per second through mid-June, according to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Test flows reached 18,000 cfs in Wolf Point on Wednesday, May 1, and held for three days.

During weekly virtual meeting on May 8, Michael Swenson, Corps of Engineers, said the daily average flow was reduced to 12,000 on May 7, 11,000 on May 8

and 10,000 on May 9. "The plan is to hold the flow to 10,000 daily average through mid-June when we schedule the next high flow from Fort Peck," Swenson said.

It was reported that some fish have moved in and others have moved out during the process.

Fish moving in have included four males and two females.

The 2018 Biological Opinion requires the test under the Endangered Spe-

cies Act for operation of the Missouri River Mainstream Reservoir System. The purpose of the test flows is to evaluate the potential for achieving pallid sturgeon spawning and recruitment on the upper Missouri River.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Missouri River Water Management Division started its weekly virtual meetings on Wednesdays on April 24, to keep residents updated on the status of Fort Peck test flows.

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The MSU Richland County Extension Office will be hosting a container gardening workshop on Thurs-

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This workshop will be led by MSU Roosevelt County Extension agent Wendy Becker.

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Fairview senior Allison Jensen placed third at the Northern B divisional golf tournament held in Glasgow. Her showing qualified her for the Class B state tournament. (Photo submitted)

## Savage Takes Fourth At Eastern C Golf Tournament

Savage's girls golf team qualified for the Class C state meet as a team by placing fourth at the Eastern C divisional meet in Sidney on May 6.

The Warriors finished with a team score of 331. The top three teams in the girls' division were Broadus at 273, Plentywood at 306 and Absarokee at 318.

Golfing for Savage's girls were Taylor Conradsen, Aspen Peterson and Emma McPherson. Conradsen placed eighth by shooting an 101. Peterson tied for 10th place with an 106. McPherson shot an 124 for 24th place.

Emma Isaacs, Broadus, was the tournament's medalist with an 83 followed by Plentywood's Paityn Curtiss with an 85 and Broadus' Graci Barbero with a 90.

Other District 2C girls

who qualified for the state meet in Hamilton were Plentywood's Sydney Richardson, Plentywood's Tessa Howard and Froid/Lake's Addison Elvsaas.

The top four teams in the boys' division were Scobey at 250, Broadus at 265, Plentywood at 275 and Forsyth at 308.

Scobey's Cooper Axman earned medalist honors with a 76. Tying for second with 83s were Plentywood's Carson Solberg, Broadus' Jeff Cahoon and Scobey's Braxton Wolfe.

Other District 2C boys qualifying for state were MonDak's Tavyn Jacobson, Plentywood's Ayden Kaul, Plentywood's Seth Borch, Froid/Lake's Solomon Grainger, Froid/Lake's Kash Ator, Bainville's Alex Strickland and Plentywood's Andy Kaul.

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# Sidney Hosts Area Games For Special Olympics



Softball throwers (from left) Anna Nistler, Nikki Hall, Liz Ocasio Banks and Maria McKenzie are awarded by law enforcement officers Travis Rosaaen, Brett Norby, Dan Smiley and Gabe Zeiler during the meet in Sidney on Friday. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

# ROI Foundation Awards Scholarships

The ROI Foundation has awarded two scholarships to Avery Iversen and 2024 Fairview High School graduate Emily Johnson.

Iversen is currently attending Minot State University and participate in the ASTEP program. Johnson will attend Williston State College in the fall and participate in the nursing program.

In 1992, the seeds for a foundation were planted, and in 1993 the ROI Foundation, Inc. grew into a reality, with a separate board of directors, which is currently headed by Colby Braun. The foundation was formed to receive, accumulate, administer and provide funds for the care and treatment of persons with intellectual disabilities in service at Richland Opportunities, Inc. (ROI).

The scholarship appli-



Iversen



Johnson

cation says ...“In this same spirit, it is the desire of the foundation to provide a yearly scholarship in the amount of \$1,500 to deserving Richland County students. This scholarship can be renewed an additional one year. Grand total of the award could be \$3,000. Applications focus on community service/involvement,

and a demonstrated interest pursuing post-secondary enrichment.”

The scholarship began in 1998 with Jenelle Stoner (who is the current ROI executive director) of Sidney being the first recipient. At least one scholarship has been given out every year since then.



Supporters of the Torch Run in Richland County included law enforcement and Special Olympic athletes. The event was held on Wednesday, May 8. The Richland County portion started in Fairview at 8 a.m. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)



A good turnout of youngsters came to the Sidney Tractor Supply Store to work on birdhouses on Saturday for the store's Build A Birdhouse event. (Photo submitted)

# Golden Roundup

## Legal Clinics Give Peace Of Mind

As we age, being prepared for all the things that can happen becomes more important than ever. For some, getting all of your affairs in order can be a daunting task. You know it should be done but often don't know where to start or are concerned about the costs associated with it. Luckily, the Montana Legal Services Developer Program can help make it easier.

The program provides elder law training and resources for older Montanans, their family members and social outreach workers. It also develops pro bono and local legal services

referrals, training materials and provides telephone assistance to older adults on related matters.

Each year, the Montana Aging Services Bureau strives to bring the program to a local level by hosting a number of Legal Documents Clinics around the state. This year, one of those clinics will be held in Richland County.

On June 13, a number of lawyers will be at the Richland County Commission on Aging to donate their time to help area seniors complete a number of important legal documents free of charge. The clinic is not designed

to handle complex estates, large assets or trusts but can assist with a number of other useful documents. Types of documents that can be completed include:

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- Durable Power of Attorney for Financial
- Declaration of Living Will
- Declaration of Homestead
- Simple Will
- Indian Wills


This is a great service that is being provided to area residents and the Commis-

sion on Aging encourages you to take advantage of it. The Kelly Moose Memorial Legal Document Clinic will be held at the Richland County Aging Services and Transit Center at 2190 W. Holly St., Sidney on Thursday, June 13.

The Clinic is by appointment only and space is limited. To make your appointment, please call the Legal Services Developer Program at 406-444-7787 or 1-800-332-2272; during the call you'll be asked basic questions so you can be advised about what to bring with you to your appointment.




Iona Hansen celebrates her 100th birthday during a party at the Lodge on Thursday. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)



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Mary Dillon (left) and Vicki Vaira provide musical entertainment during the birthday party for Iona Hansen. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

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# AREA TRACK AND FIELD DIVISIONALS

## Schedule of Events:

**Eastern C: Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> At Wolf Point High School**

**Track Events**

10:00am ..... 3200m Run ..... Finals, Boys  
 10:15am ..... 3200m Run ..... Finals, Girls  
 10:45am ..... 110m Hurdles ..... Finals, Boys  
 11:00am ..... 100m Hurdles ..... Finals, Girls  
 11:30am ..... 100m Dash ..... Finals, Boys  
 11:45am ..... 100m Dash ..... Finals, Girls  
 12:15pm ..... 800m Run ..... Finals, Boys  
 12:30pm ..... 800m Run ..... Finals, Girls  
 1:00pm ..... 4x100m Relay ..... Finals, Boys  
 1:15pm ..... 4x100m Relay ..... Finals, Girls  
 1:45pm ..... 300m Hurdles ..... Finals, Boys  
 2:00pm ..... 300m Hurdles ..... Finals, Girls  
 3:00pm ..... 400m Dash ..... Finals, Boys

3:15pm ..... 400 Dash ..... Finals, Girls  
 3:45pm ..... 1600m Run ..... Finals, Boys  
 4:00pm ..... 1600m Run ..... Finals, Girls  
 4:30pm ..... 200m Dash ..... Finals, Boys  
 4:45pm ..... 200m Dash ..... Finals, Girls  
 5:30pm ..... 4x400m Relay ..... Finals, Boys  
 5:45pm ..... 4x400m Relay ..... Finals, Girls

**Field Events**

9:30am ..... Pole Vault/Shot Put, Boys  
 Javelin/Long Jump, Girls  
 11:30am ..... Javelin/ Triple Jump, Boys  
 High Jump/Discus, Girls  
 Discus/High Jump, Boys  
 Pole Vault/Shot Put, Girls  
 1:30pm ..... Long Jump, Boys  
 Triple Jump, Girls  
 3:30pm

**Eastern A: Fri & Sat, May 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> At Laurel High School**

**Track Events**

**Friday:**  
 3:00pm ..... 100m Hurdles Trials ..... Girls  
 ..... 110m Hurdles Trials ..... Boys  
 4:00pm ..... 4x100m Relay Finals ..... Boys/Girls  
 4:25pm ..... 1600m Run Finals ..... Boys/Girls  
 5:10pm ..... 100m Dash Trials ..... Boys/Girls  
 6:00pm ..... 400m Dash Finals ..... Boys/Girls  
**Saturday:**  
 11:00am ..... 100m Hurdles Finals ..... Girls  
 ..... 110m Hurdles Finals ..... Boys  
 11:45am ..... 800m Run ..... Boys/Girls  
 12:30pm ..... 100m Dash Finals ..... Boys/Girls

1:00pm ..... 300m Hurdles Finals ..... Boys/Girls  
 2:00pm ..... 200m Dash Finals ..... Boys/Girls  
 2:45pm ..... 3200m Run Finals ..... Boys/Girls  
 3:45pm ..... 4x400m Relay Finals ..... Boys/Girls

**Field Events**

**Friday:**  
 2:00pm ..... Pole Vault/Discus/High Jump, Girls  
 Long Jump, Boys  
 Long Jump, Girls  
 High Jump/Discus, Boys  
**Saturday:**  
 10:00am ..... Pole Vault/Javelin, Boys  
 Shot Put/Triple Jump, Girls  
 Shot Put/Triple Jump, Boys  
 Javelin, Girls  
 12:00pm

**Northern B: Fri & Sat, May 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> At Glasgow High School**


**Track Events**

**Friday:**  
 4:00pm ..... 100m Dash ..... Boys/Girls  
 4:45pm ..... 1600m Run ..... Boys/Girls  
 5:30pm ..... 110m Hurdles ..... Boys  
 ..... 100m Hurdles ..... Girls  
 6:15pm ..... 400m Dash ..... Boys/Girls  
**Saturday:**  
 10:00am ..... 800m Run ..... Boys/Girls  
 10:40am ..... 4x100m Relay ..... Boys/Girls  
 11:15am ..... 300m Hurdles ..... Boys/Girls  
 12:00pm ..... 200m Dash ..... Boys/Girls

1:00pm ..... 3200m Run ..... Boys/Girls  
 2:00pm ..... 4x400m Relay ..... Boys/Girls

**Field Events**

**Friday:**  
 3:00pm ..... Javelin/Triple Jump, Boys  
 Shot Put/Pole Vault, Girls  
 4:30pm ..... Long Jump, Girls  
 Pole Vault/Shot Put, Boys  
**Saturday:**  
 10:00am ..... Javelin/Triple Jump, Girls  
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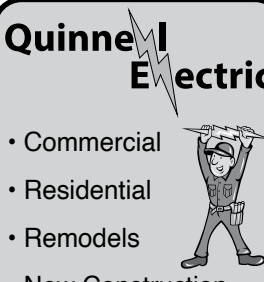
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Savage's Brooke Reuter cruises in the rain to win the 200-meter dash at the District 2C track meet held in Lambert. The divisional meet is Thursday in Wolf Point. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)



Winning the top three awards for the 200 were (from left) Savage's Camry Conradsen, Savage's Brooke Reuter and Bainville's Elsie Wilson. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

# Savage Girls Win District Track Championship

Savage's girls' track team dominated action with 160 points to win the District 2C track championship during the meet in Lambert on May 7.

Plentywood placed second with 91 points and Mon-Dak was third with 74 points in the meet that was held with steady and sometimes heavy rain conditions.

Plentywood won the boys' title with 150 points followed by Froid/Lake with 87 and Savage with 84 points.

The Reuter sisters, Brooke and Mylee, were each triple winners to lead Savage's girls. Brooke, a senior, finished first in the 100-meter dash at 13.04 seconds, first in the 200 at 26.95 seconds and first in the 400 at 60.67 seconds. Mylee, a freshman, earned first in the 800 at 2:46.78, first in the 1600 at 6:22.83 and first in the pole vault by clearing 8-0.

B. Reuter won the Phil Robinson high point award for the girls. Froid/Lake's Mason Dethman won the award for the boys.

Also earning first-place honors for Savage's girls was senior Karley McPherson with a mark of 93-1 in the discus.

Cambry Conradsen placed second in the 100 at 13.05, second in the 200 at 28.0 and second in the 400 at 63.33. Miley Pilgeram took second in the javelin at 97-9. Brooke Skov cleared 6-6 for second place in the pole vault.

B. Reuter took second



Savage's Zane Pilgeram, center, celebrates after earning first place in the long jump. He was a triple-winner for the Warriors. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

in the long jump at 15-3 and second in the triple jump at 32-11. M. Reuter finished second in the 3200.

Placing third was Matilda Verhasselt in the 800 at 2:52.38. Taking fourth were Conradsen at 32-5 in the triple jump and KD Lyons at 90-6 in the javelin. Pilgeram

placed fifth in the shot put at 29-0 and sixth in the discus at 75-6. Conradsen was fifth in the long jump at 14-2. K. McPherson was seventh in the shot put at 28-5. M. Verhasselt cleared 4-4 for sixth place in the high jump and 6-0 for fifth place in the pole vault.

The 1600-meter relay team of K. McPherson, Lyons, M. Verhasselt and Skov placed fifth. The 400-meter relay team of K. McPherson, Pilgeram, M. Verhasselt and Lyons took sixth.

Zane Pilgeram led Savage's boys with victories in the long jump at 19-2, triple



Savage's Connor Lyons competes in the shot put during the district meet. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

jump at 38-5 and high jump at 6-1.

Sayer Erickson cleared 10-0 for top honors in the pole vault.

Connor Lyons earned second in the shot put at 40-8.

Cade Tombre finished third in the 200 with a time of 25.32 seconds and third in the 400 at 57.28 seconds. He added a fifth in the shot put at 36-8.

Lyons placed fourth in the discus at 100-5. Adden Erickson cleared 8-0 for third place in the pole vault.

Jack DaBill took fourth in the 400 at 57.51 seconds. DaBill placed fourth

in the 800 at 2:18.47. Jaeger Tombre was eighth in the event at 2:33.48 and also took eighth in the 3200 at 13:02.1.

S. Erickson was eighth in the shot put at 35-7 and seventh in the long jump at 17-1. C. Tombre placed seventh in the javelin at 126-10.

The 400-meter relay team of DaBill, S. Erickson, Pilgeram and C. Tombre and the 1600-meter relay team of DaBill, A. Erickson, Lyons and Hunter Sanders placed fifth.

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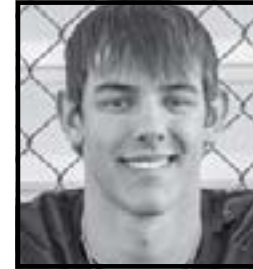
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**Tues., May 21-Thurs., May 23:** Chef's choice.

**Savage School**  
**Thurs., May 16** - Cook's choice.  
**Mon., May 20 - Wed., May 23:** Cook's choice.

**Rau School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Walking tacos, apples, carrot sticks.  
**Mon., May 20 - Thurs., May 23:** Cook's choice.

**Froid School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Pulled pork on buns, baked beans, chips, fruit, salad bar.  
**Mon., May 20:** Salisbury steaks, mashed potatoes, gravy, veggies, buns, fruit, salad bar.  
**Tues., May 21:** Chicken patties on buns, baked beans, chips, fruit, salad bar.  
**Wed., May 22:** Cook's choice, salad bar.  
**Thurs., May 23:** Crustables, chips, veggies, fruit, salad bar.

**Bainville School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Turkey sandwiches, peppers, bananas.  
**Fri., May 17:** Cheeseburger macaroni & cheese, green beans, grapes.  
**Mon., May 20 - Wed., May 23:** Cook's choice.

**Richey School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Cook's

choice, fruit, salad bar.  
**Mon., May 20:** Pizza, green salad, brownies, fruit, salad bar.  
**Tues., May 21:** Cook's choice, fruit, salad bar.  
**Wed., May 22:** Super nachos, fruit, salad bar.  
**Thurs., May 23** - Sack lunch.

**Culbertson School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Beef & bean burritos, corn, pears.  
**Fri., May 17:** Corn dogs, tater tots, peaches.  
**Mon., May 20:** Hot turkey with gravy, corn, berry cups.  
**Tues., May 21:** Turkey pot pie soup, biscuits, cooked carrots.  
**Wed., May 22:** Hawaiian pizza bake, salad pineapple.  
**Thurs., May 23** - Ham & cheese burritos, broccoli, peaches.  
**Fri., May 24:** Sack lunch.

**Lambert School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** BBQ pork sandwiches, baked beans, fruit.  
**Fri., May 17:** Popcorn chicken, tots, fruit.  
**Mon., May 20:** Spaghetti, corn, garlic bread, fruit.  
**Tues., May 21:** Cook's choice.  
**Wed., May 22:** Hamburgers, chips, ice cream bars.

**Fairview School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Chicken tenders, veggie, fruit, fresh garden bar.  
**Mon., May 20:** Hamburger stroganoff over egg noodles, veggie, fruit, dinner rolls, fresh garden bar.  
**Tues., May 21:** Pancakes,

sausage, hash brown patties, egg patties, fresh garden bar.  
**Wed., May 22:** Homemade pizza, veggie, fruit, fresh garden bar.  
**Thurs., May 23** - Hot dogs, chips, beans, watermelon.  
**Fri., May 24:** K-5 lunch only, picnic lunch.

**East Fairview School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Spaghetti, garlic bread.  
**Mon., May 20:** Pulled pork.  
**Tues., May 21:** Ham & cheesy potatoes.  
**Wed., May 22:** Sloppy joes, chips.  
**Thurs., May 23** - 8th Grade lunch: Kabobs.  
**Fri., May 24:** Sack lunch.

**Alexander School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** End of the year BBQ.

**Watford City School**  
**Thurs., May 16:** Chicken burgers deluxe, crinkle fries, fruit, veggies, salad bar.  
**Fri., May 17:** Two chicken bacon ranch sliders, straight fries, fruit, veggies, salad bar.  
**Mon., May 20:** Popcorn chicken KFC bowl, biscuits, fruit, veggie, salad bar.  
**Tues., May 21:** Two beef tacos with all the fixings, fruit, veggies, salad bar.  
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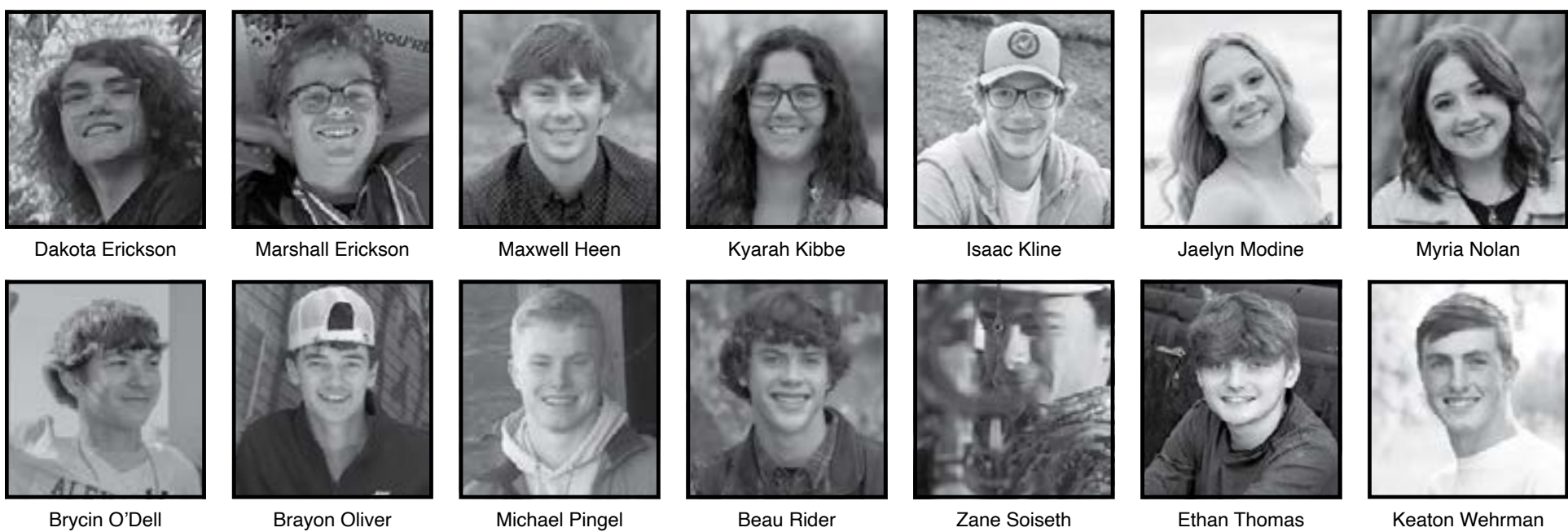
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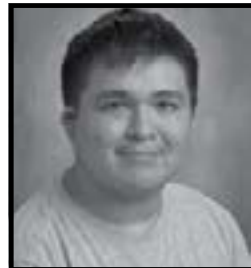
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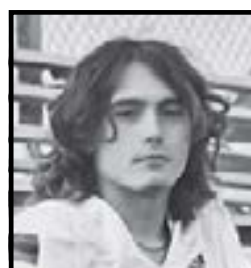
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**CALL FOR BIDS – TOWN OF FAIRVIEW SALE OF PROPERTY – 2014 FORD EXPEDITION**  
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Section 7-8-4201, M.C.A., the Town Council of the Town of Fairview passed a resolution for the sale of the following described property, which is no longer necessary for the conduct of the City's business:

2014 Ford Expedition Vehicle Identification Number: 1FMJU1G54EEF10955 Said property is being sold "as is where is" without warranty of any kind. The Town Council will accept sealed bids for the purchase of the 2014 Expedition until 5:00 p.m. MDT on Monday, June 10, 2024, at Fairview City Hall, 318 S Central Ave., Fairview, MT 59221. The sealed envelope containing a bid should be marked on the outside with the words "Bid for 2014 Ford Expedition." The Town of Fairview has set a reserve price of \$8,000.00. The Town Council will publicly open and declare the bids at its regular meeting at the Fairview Senior Center located at 217 5th Street W, Fairview, MT 59221, on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. MDT. The successful bidder will be required to make payment in full by cash or cashier's check within ten (10) calendar days after the date bids are opened. If no contract is entered into by the successful bidder within sixty (60) days, the Town of Fairview may reinstate a call for bids for this property. Bidders may withdraw their bid either personally or by written request at any time prior to the time set for bid opening. No bid may be withdrawn or modified after the time set for opening, unless and until the award of the contract is delayed for a period exceeding sixty (60) days. Questions regarding the sale may be directed to the Town Clerk/Treasurer at 318 S Central Ave., Fairview, MT 59221, Telephone 406-742-5616. The Town of Fairview reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity in any bid therein, to postpone the award of the bid for a period of not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the bid which is in the best interests of the Town of Fairview. DATED this 6th day of May, 2024. NORMA FAYE CARLSON Town Clerk/Treasurer

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**CALL FOR BIDS – TOWN OF FAIRVIEW SALE OF PROPERTY – 1984 F708 FIRE TRUCK**  
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FRANKLIN CUNDIFF, Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Clara G. Cundiff, deceased.  
WILLIAM JAMES CUNDIFF, JR, Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Clara G. Cundiff, deceased.

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**MONTANA SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, RICHLAND COUNTY**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOUGLAS JAMES REED, Deceased.**  
Probate No. DP-42-2024-0000037-II

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Erna O. Reed has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Douglas James Reed. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Erna O. Reed, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, c/o Lyle R. Panasuk, Attorney at Law, PO Box 1025, Sidney, Montana 59270, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court.

Dated this 3rd day of May, 2024.  
/s/ Erna O. Reed  
Erna O. Reed  
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**NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS**  
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**MONTANA SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, RICHLAND COUNTY**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LESLIE D. FREDRICKSON, Deceased.**  
PROBATE NO. DP-42-2024-0000029-IT

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Steven C. Fredrickson has been appointed personal representative of the Estate of Leslie D. Fredrickson. All persons having claims against the decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Steven C. Fredrickson, the Personal Representative, return receipt requested, c/o Lyle R. Panasuk, Attorney at Law, PO Box 1025, Sidney, Montana 59270, or filed with the Clerk of the above Court. I DECLARE, under penalty of perjury and under the Laws of the State of Montana, that the foregoing is true and correct. DATED this 24 day of April, 2024, at Sidney, Montana.

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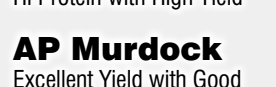
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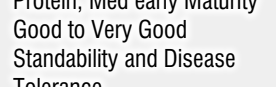
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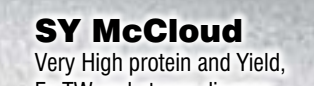
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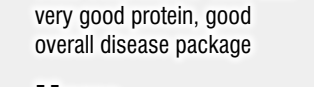
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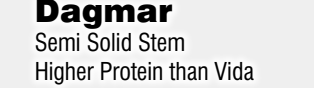
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# Fairview Places Second At 2B Meet



Richey/Lambert's Austin Lien gets off a toss in the shot put during the District 2C track meet. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

## Fusion Score At 2C Meet

The Richey/Lambert Fusion scored 66 points in the girls' division for fifth place at the District 2-C track meet held in Lambert on May 7. The Fusion scored two points in the boys' division.

Jolee Klempel enjoyed an outstanding meet despite the cold and rainy weather conditions.

Klempel finished first in both the 100-meter hurdles at 16.34 seconds and 300-meter hurdles at 49.36 seconds.

The freshman placed second in the shot put at 31-7 and cleared 4-10 for third in the high jump.

Richey/Lambert's 400-meter relay team featuring Kally Strohm, Lauren Prevost, Brynne Hill and Klempel finished first with a time of 54.18 seconds.

Hill placed fifth in the triple jump at 32-4 and sixth in the long jump at 14-0.

Jade Boese-Robbins finished fourth in the 100-meter hurdles at 20.61 seconds.

Boese-Robbins took

fifth in the 800 at 2:55.34 and Hill was sixth at 2:56.54.

Strohm finished sixth in the 100 with a time of 13.71 seconds.

Hill took sixth at 1:11.53 and Boese-Robbins was seventh at 1:14.84 in the 400.

The 1600-meter relay team of Meroun Hilal, Boese-Robbins, Prevost and Strohm took third at 5:20.72.

Taking seventh were Brooke Lien in the discus at 73-10 and Prevost in the javelin at 78-2.

In the boys' division, Tanner Goosen cleared 5-2 for sixth place in the high jump.

Austin Lien earned seventh in the discus at 98-8.

Malik Boufenara took seventh in the 3200 at 12:35.19.

The 1600-meter relay team of Boufenara, William Head, James Head and Daniel Reitz placed sixth at 4:37.35.

The 400-meter relay team of Gus Klempel, Lien, W. Head and Goosen took seventh at 50.85 seconds.

The Fairview Warriors scored 116 points in each division to place second at the District 2B track meet in Wolf Point on Saturday. Glasgow took first in both the boys' and girls' divisions.

Earning first for Fairview's boys were Jaxon Vitt with a time of 11.72 seconds in the 100, Jeff Tjelde with a time of 53.05 seconds in the 400 and Landen Thompson with a best of 44-2 in the shot put.

The 400-meter relay team of Curt Rice, Ryan Lustig, Troy Karst and Tyler Loan finished first with a time of 45.41 seconds. The 1600-meter relay team of Karst, Loan, Lustig and Tjelde took first at 3:42.50.

Placing second were Rice at 44.39 in the 300-meter hurdles and Vitt with a mark of 19-4 in the long jump.

Deacon Gackle had a mark of 135-7 for third place in the discus. Also taking third were Rice at 17.82 seconds in the 110-meter hurdles and Loan with a time of 54.07 seconds in the 400 and 11.86 in the 100 and Karst with a time of 23.87 seconds in the 200.

Placing fourth were Lustig at 56.76 in the 400, Loan at 23.94 in the 200 and Brock Schlothauer at 147-2 in the javelin.

Taking fifth were Jaden Murphy by clearing 5-0 in the high jump, Karst at 11.87 in the 100 and Grant Knapp at 5:34.38 in the 1600. Placing

sixth were Tjelde at 24.47 in the 200, Schlothauer at 58.24 in the 400 and Knapp by clearing 8-0 in the pole vault.

Averi Riedel was a triple-winner for Fairview's girls. The freshman finished first in the 100 at 13.15 seconds, first in the 200 at 27.74 and first in the 400 at 1:02.79.

Kambre Kloker cleared 10-6 for first place in the pole vault. The height ties a school record. The junior placed second in the long jump at 15-5.

The 400-meter relay team of Riedel, Carly Buxbaum, Kynlee Vitt and Kallee Hopes finished first with a time of 52.05 seconds. The 1600-meter relay team of Kloker, Brooklyn Anderson, Buxbaum and Vitt took second at 4:39.83.

Hopes placed second in the shot put at 34-2 and javelin at 97-0. She finished second in the 400 at 1:02.99 and fourth in the 200 at 28.51 seconds.

Buxbaum placed second in the 100 at 13.27 and third in the 200 at 28.27 seconds.

Brooklyn Anderson took fifth in the 800 at 2:51.90 and sixth in the 1600 at 6:25.02. Brailey Anderson was sixth in the 3200 at 14:41.25.

Vitt cleared 4-6 for fourth place in the high jump.

The divisional meet is this Friday and Saturday in Glasgow.



Fairview's Averi Riedel (right) hands the baton to Carly Buxbaum as the team placed first in the 400-meter relay. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)



Fairview's Landen Thompson earns first place in the shot put at the District 2B meet. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)



Fairview's Curt Rice races in the 300-meter hurdles. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)



Waylon Hergter, Fairview, rides through the obstacle course during the Richland County Health Department's bike rodeo held at the fairgrounds on Saturday. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

## Blood Drive Planned in Sidney

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, June 11, from noon to 6 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish Center, 310 7th St. SE, Sidney.

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Richey/Lambert's Jolee Klempel (center) is awarded for winning the 300-meter hurdles race. (Photo by Bill Vander Weele)

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Sidney's Brady Collins competes in the shot put during the meet in Watford City. (Photo by Tonya Schoepp)

# Eagles Place At Glendive Meet

The Sidney Eagles tuned up for this weekend's divisional track meet by competing at the Bill Kelly Twilight Invitational in Glendive on Friday.

The Eagles took fifth place in the boys' standings with 53 points. Williston earned first with 129 points followed by Glendive with 109 and Lewistown with 66 points.

In the girls' division, Sidney took sixth with 40 points. The top three teams were Williston with 116.5, Miles City with 94 and Hardin with 93 points.

Sidney's boys came away with two first-place

showings at the meet. Daniel Stevens cleared 14-0 for top honors in the pole vault. Chace Waters had a mark of 150-10 for first place in the discus.

Kevin Hutzenbiler placed fourth in the triple jump at 39-0 while Gradin Sukut took sixth in the event with a best of 38-2.

Joseph Yadon finished second in the 200-meter dash at 23.56 seconds. Reece Graves took fifth in the 100 at 11.49 seconds.

Daxton Brower cleared 5-6 for fifth place in the high jump. Xander Schlothauer went over 11-6 for sixth place in the pole vault.

Ryan Unruh finished fourth in the 300-meter hurdles at 43.98 seconds and fifth in the 110-meter hurdles at 17.95 seconds.

The 400-meter relay team featuring Yadon, Aren Larson, Graves and Sukut finished second with a time of 45.0 seconds. Sidney's 1600-relay team consisting of Jarret Averett, Koda Glanton, Sukut and Kevin Hutzenbiler took fifth at 3:41.88.

Audree Deming was a double-winner for Sidney's girls. The junior earned first in the discus with a best of 117-4 and first in the shot put with a mark of 35-0.

Morgan Kindopp

cleared 11-7 for top honors in the pole vault. For her performance, she was selected the female athlete of the meet.

Maliya Nguewoun placed fourth in the triple jump with a best of 32-9.

Ave' Norby took fifth in the discus with a mark of 101-1. Madison Thompson was sixth in the shot put at 31-4. Myah Hughes ran the 100 in 13.43 seconds for fifth-place honors.

The 400-meter relay team featuring MaKenna Sparks, Kindopp, Lily Tranquill and Hughes finished sixth with a time of 53.10 seconds.



Sidney's Kylie Schoepp throws the discus during the Watford City meet. (Photo by Tonya Schoepp)

# Be On Lookout For Grasshoppers

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With the relatively warm spring that we have had, it is important to start scouting for grasshoppers hatching. Typically, scouting begins around Memorial Day, but it may be a good idea to be on the lookout even earlier this year. USDA-APHIS has predicted Richland County and the surrounding area will again be experiencing high grasshopper populations this year.

**Review of the Life Cycle**  
Grasshoppers deposit eggs in the soil in the fall. These eggs overwinter there and begin to hatch from May through July. Grasshoppers develop through 5 nymphal instar stages. This development spans approximately 30-40 days before they are an adult with fully formed

wings. Grasshoppers can live from 40-60 days as an adult. Many of the control options for grasshoppers are only effective when they are in their nymphal stages, making it very important to become familiar with their life cycle.

**Scouting**

As many know given the high grasshopper populations the past few years, scouting is important as grasshoppers can wipe out parts of or an entire field in a short amount of time. Crop fields should be scouted at least once a week. You can estimate grasshopper populations by counting the number of grasshoppers in a visually estimated square foot area. Repeat this randomly 18 times while walking in a transect, tally the number, and divide by two to get the number of grasshoppers per

square yard. In cropland, nymphal counts of 50-75 per square yard in the field margins and 30-45 in field are considered threatening, while counts over those amounts are considered severe and very severe. Adult counts of 21-40 per square yard in the field margins and 8-14 in field are considered threatening and counts over these are considered severe and very severe. Rangeland economic threshold for treatment is 15-20 grasshoppers per square yard.

**Control**

Grasshoppers are more easily and more economically controlled during the nymphal stages, as they are more susceptible to

insecticides, you can prevent their maturation and egg deposition, and you can control them before the adult stage where they are most damaging to crops and rangeland. Unfortunately, cultural and biological control options are generally not effective. Insecticide options include active ingredients such as lambda-cyhalothrin, zeta-cypermethrin, malathion, diflubenzuron, and more. Always read and follow label directions.

For a full list of insecticide options by crop, see the NDSU Field Crop Insect Management Guide or call the Richland County Extension Office, 406-433-1206.

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## Student Wins HOBY Award

Alexander High School sophomore Tylan Womelsdorf has been chosen as the Hugh O'Brien Youth (HOBY) Leadership Seminar Ambassador for Alexander High School.



Tylan Womelsdorf

HOBY's flagship program, the State Leadership Seminar, empowers high school sophomores to develop their leadership talents to become the leaders of their community. The seminar curriculum is based on the Social Change Model of Leadership and develops leadership from three perspectives: Personal Leadership, Group Leadership, and Leadership for Society.

The North Dakota HOBY Seminar will take place at Bismarck State

College in Bismarck, ND from June 14-16.

Amber Severson, Alexander High School's Social Studies teacher said, "Tylan shows great leadership potential and will do an excellent job of representing Alexander."

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### Neu Wins Season Opener

The Williston Basin Speedway held their Band Day season opener on Saturday, May 11. Pictured is Ethan Neu, Fairview, taking the checkered flag in the Hobby Stock class. Other winners included: Modifieds - Travis Hagen, Williston; Northern Sportmods - Ed Conlin, Williston; Stock Cars - Joe Flory, Williston and Junior Slingshots - Weston Urankin, Williston. For full results visit [roundupweb.com](http://roundupweb.com). (Photo by Bethany Wells)

## Paddlefish Snagging Season To Close May 15

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department announced Monday that the state's 2024 paddlefish snagging season will close May 15 to any additional harvest to provide long-term protection of the paddlefish population.

An additional snag-and-release extended season will begin May 16 and run through May 21. Paddlefish snaggers with unused tags can continue snagging during the additional snag-and-release season but must release all fish immediately. If a snagger has already used their tag on a

harvested paddlefish, they are not allowed to participate in the additional snag-and-release period.

Snag-and-release will be open in that area of the Missouri River starting on the north shore from the Confluence boat ramp, then east (downstream) to the pipeline crossing (river mile 1577), and on the south shore from the Confluence with the Yellowstone River, then east (downstream) to the pipeline crossing (river mile 1577). Paddlefish snagging is allowed from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Central time during each day.