

Benson County Calendar of Events

Saturdays: Coffee, Esmond Museum, 7:30 - 10 a.m.

Second Tuesdays: Golden Age Club Meeting, Esmond FH, 2 p.m.

June 19: Classic Car Show, Esmond Bar, 6 p.m.

June 22: Mwkn. Legion Breakfast, 7 - 11 a.m.

June 26-28: 4-H Achievement Days

June 29: J. T. Rice Pilots for Christ Fly-In/Golf Ball Drop, Maddock Airport, 10 a.m.

July 11-13: Esmond's Summer in the City Party and EAAA Alumni Weekend

July 12: 17th Annual Remember Ron One-Mile Walk/ 5k Run, Esmond, registration 9 a.m.

July 12: Esmond Demolition Derby

Aug. 5-8: Vacation Bible School, Leeds Luth. Church
Weekend of Aug. 1, 2026: Maddock Renaissance Festival and 125th Celebration



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St. Michael man sentenced for involuntary manslaughter

Acting US Attorney Jennifer Klemetsrud Puhl announced June 11 that Ryan Cody Guy, age 46, of St. Michael, was sentenced before Chief US District Judge Peter D. Welte to 63 months in federal prison for involuntary manslaughter. Judge Welte also sentenced Guy to serve three years of supervised release following his incarceration and ordered him to pay restitution in the amount of \$2,000. Guy pleaded guilty on March 10, 2025.

On Feb. 26, 2022, Guy was driving a vehicle on the Spirit Lake Indian Reservation while intoxicated when he rolled it. A passenger in the vehicle died as a result of injuries sustained in the rollover. Guy's blood alcohol content was 0.164, over twice the legal limit under North Dakota state law.

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the ND Highway Patrol and was prosecuted by Assistant US Attorney Richard Lee.

Rollover crash east of Leeds is fatal for Devils Lake man

A rollover crash on US Highway 2 at mile marker 246, approximately seven miles east of Leeds, claimed the life of a 62-year-old Devils Lake man the morning of Thursday, June 12.

According to a report by the ND Highway Patrol, David Moe was traveling west on Highway 2 in a 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe and left the roadway, entered the median, struck an embankment,

crossed the roadway and came to rest in a slough. He died at the scene.

Other agencies responding were the Benson County Sheriff's Office, Lake Region Ambulance Service, Leeds Ambulance Service and Leeds Fire Department.

The crash remains under investigation by the ND Highway Patrol.

ND DWR and SWC assist with Spirit Lake water situation

The ND Department of Water Resources (DWR), along with the ND State Water Commission (SWC), recently assisted the Spirit Lake Nation in addressing a critical water quality issue by supporting the installation of a mobile greensand filter unit. The new unit temporarily replaces a failed permanent filter that had led to unsafe levels of manganese in the community's drinking water. This emergency project ensures continued access to water that meets Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) standards for approximately 1,100 service connections, which serve approximately 4,000 residents. The DWR approved cost-share participation covering 75 percent of eligible construction costs, not to exceed \$100,000.

Weather report

BAKER

Reports from the NDSU ND Agricultural Weather Network station at Baker for the 24-hour period each day.

Date	High	Low	Rain
June 9	67	47	
June 10	78	48	
June 11	69	46	
June 12	68	55	
June 13	70	51	
June 14	71	50	
June 15	73	53	.01

Weather report

MADDOCK

Reports from the NDSU ND Agricultural Weather Network station at Maddock for the 24-hour period each day.

Date	High	Low	Rain
June 9	68	48	
June 10	82	47	
June 11	71	46	
June 12	68	53	
June 13	72	54	
June 14	74	49	
June 15	75	53	.01

SUDOKU

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Level: Beginner

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

North Dakota Community Foundation awarded \$12.9 million during 2024

The ND Community Foundation (NDCF) has announced that it awarded more than \$12.9 million in grants and charitable program expenses in 2024. The organization was founded in 1976 to improve the quality of life of North Dakotans through charitable giving and promoting philanthropy.

NDCF currently manages more than 1,000 charitable funds, including 69 local community foundations in the state and over 200 scholarship funds for North Dakota students. It also administers organizational endowment funds, donor-advised funds, school foundations, and special interest funds for individuals and nonprofit organizations across North Dakota.

NDCF ended 2024 with \$160 million in total assets. Most of NDCF's assets are in endowment funds, providing permanent grant dollars to North Dakota communities, schools and nonprofit organizations. The organization has awarded more than \$121 million in grants and charitable program expenses since its inception. NDCF has offices in Bismarck, Larimore, Dickinson and Wahpeton.

Local community foundations at NDCF in this part of the state include:

- the Minnewaukan Community Endowment Fund, established in 1981,
- the Maddock Community Endowment Fund, established in 2003,
- the New Rockford Community Foundation, established in 2008,
- the Harvey Area Community Foundation, established in 2008,
- the Hurdsfield Community Foundation, established in 1992,
- the Carrington Community Endowment Fund, established in 1980,
- the Anamoose Area Community Foundation,

established in 2008.

The Minnewaukan Community Endowment Fund had assets at the end of 2024 of \$156,512. It has awarded 150 grants since its inception, totaling over \$173,429. Grantees have included the Minnewaukan Public Library, the Minnewaukan Fire Department, the Minnewaukan 55 Club and the Minnewaukan Public School District.

The Maddock Community Endowment Fund had assets at the end of 2024 of \$310,201. It has awarded 82 grants so far, totaling more than \$120,000. Grantees have included the Maddock Park Board for swimming pool renovations, the Maddock Opera House Association, the Maddock Community Center Corporation and the Benson County Events Center.

The New Rockford Community Foundation had assets at the end of 2024 of \$199,374. It had awarded 73 grants by the end of the year, totaling more than \$51,000. Grant recipients have included the Eddy-New Rockford Library, the Community Ambulance Service of New Rockford, the Dakota Prairie Regional Center for the Arts, the New Rockford Park District and the Women's Auxiliary Cemetery Association.

The Harvey Area Community Foundation had \$235,214 in total assets at the end of 2024. The fund has awarded 74 grants totaling over \$110,000 since its inception. Grant recipients have included the St. Aloisius Medical Center, the Harvey Fire Department, the Wells County District Health Unit, Harvey Public Schools and the Harvey Public Library.

The Hurdsfield Community Endowment Fund has total assets of \$255,412. It has awarded 21 grants since its inception, totaling over \$14,000. Most of the grant awards were

for scholarships for area youth and grants to the Hurdsfield Community Center.

A separate fund at NDCF, the McGinn Kunkel Estate Fund, also supports the community of Carrington and together these funds had assets at the end of 2024 of \$768,969. The funds have awarded 378 grants totaling more than \$467,000 to many different local organizations over the years, including the Carrington City Library, the Carrington Youth Center, the Foster County Fair Board, the Carrington Health Center, Putnam House and the Carrington Park District.

The Anamoose Area Community Foundation finished 2024 with \$350,269 in assets. The fund has awarded 76 grants totaling more than \$118,000 since its inception. Grant recipients have included Tri-County Meals & Services, the City of Anamoose, the Drake Community Club, Little Raiders Daycare and the Anamoose Fire Department.

All of NDCF's community endowment funds are guided by advisory committees made up of local volunteers who are responsible for fundraising to help grow their endowment fund and who recommend grant awards every year. All gifts to community endowment funds are tax-deductible. In addition, individuals who donate at least \$5,000 and businesses that donate any amount to a community endowment fund at NDCF may be eligible for the 40% ND state tax credit.

More detailed information about NDCF's activities in 2024 can be found in its annual report, which is available on the organization's website at www.NDCF.net/News.

For more information about the ND Community Foundation or to start a charitable fund, call 701-222-8349 or go online to www.NDCF.net.



Pollinator Week is June 16-22

Gov. Kelly Armstrong has proclaimed June 16-22, 2025 as Pollinator Week in North Dakota. North Dakota is home to many pollinators, including more than 800,000 honeybee colonies.

"Pollinator species such as bees, birds and insects are essential partners of farmers and ranchers in producing much of our food supply. In fact, about 35% of the world's food crops depend on pollination," Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring said. "Pollinators contribute nearly \$20 billion to the value of US crop production."

"Through best management practices outlined in the North Dakota Pollinator Plan, farmers, beekeepers, pesticide users and scientists work together to protect and maintain honeybee and other pollinator habitats in the state," Goehring continued. "The plan enhances communication and mitigates risk to honeybees, while minimizing the impact of that mitigation on production agriculture."

North Dakota is the number-one honey-producing state in the nation and has been since 2004. In 2024, North Dakota bees produced 36.2 million pounds of honey valued at over \$67.4 million.

Donate to Fairview

Fairview Cemetery is seeking donations for maintenance and upkeep. Send donations to Carla Newman, 2244 51st St. NE, Fessenden, ND 58438.

DEVILS LAKE'S SURFACE ELEVATION June 16, 2025

1449.28

Feet above mean sea level

One week ago: 1449.44

Two weeks ago: 1449.47

One year ago: 1449.73

2012 high: 1453.66 on May 10

2013 high: 1453.96 on June 27

2014 high: 1453.45 on June 29

2015 high: 1451.96 on June 9

2016 high: 1450.33 on Sept. 25

2017 high: 1451.68 on May 3-5, 9

2018 high: 1449.99 on July 4

2019 high: 1449.13 on June 24

2020 high: 1449.94 on July 8

2021 high: 1448.23 on June 11

2022 high: 1450.62 on July 24

2023 high: 1450.75 on May 31

Statistics obtained from <http://waterdata.usgs.gov/>.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Wildebeests
- 5 Snitch
- 8 Utah ski resort
- 12 Impetuous
- 13 Adam's mate
- 14 Acquires
- 15 "Zip- — -Doo-Dah"
- 16 Beer purchases
- 18 Fawcett of '70s TV
- 20 Speeder's punishment
- 21 Chanteuse Edith
- 23 Chap
- 24 Edible pod
- 28 "Auld Lang —"

- 31 Blunder
- 32 — -Croat
- 34 Texas tea
- 35 Scrambled wd.
- 37 Brazilian city
- 39 Dad on "Black-ish"
- 41 San — Obispo, Calif.
- 42 Thelma's buddy
- 45 Brother's son
- 49 Ink-loaded accessory
- 51 Continental coin
- 52 Carry
- 53 Rage
- 54 Family
- 55 Beholds
- 56 Scoundrel
- 57 To-do list item
- DOWN
- 1 Tennis great Steffi
- 2 Zilch
- 3 Addict
- 4 Everest guide
- 5 Molds anew
- 6 Bird (Pref.)

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- 7 Libretto
- 8 You can count on it
- 9 Comment to a jackpot winner
- 10 Youngster
- 11 CEO's aide
- 17 Farm squealer
- 19 Melodies
- 22 Untamed
- 24 Salty expanse
- 25 Samovar
- 26 School alumnus
- 27 Was plentiful
- 29 Zero
- 30 "Strange Magic" gp.
- 33 Mayberry boy
- 36 Tony-winner Tammy
- 38 Phase
- 40 "Sixth sense"
- 42 D-Day carriers
- 43 Oklahoma tribe
- 44 Grand tale
- 46 Luau dance
- 47 Historic times
- 48 Policy expert
- 50 Notre Dame coach

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