

EDITORIAL

McClusky-Goodrich School						
August 2025						
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10	11	12 School Board Meeting 7pm @ HS	13	14 V FB Scrimmage 5pm @ Shiloh	15	16
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Edge of Chaos

By Allan Tinker

End of the road

I have worked many jobs in my life, I often joked that, if it was legal, I have probably worked in that occupation. Most of my jobs were for long periods of time, five years in the psych unit of St. Alexius, always working around or on the farm as much as I could, years working part time in the mental health and disability fields, a few years substitute teaching in many of the schools around us, including Minot and Bismarck. I can feed chickens, kids, groups of people at meetings, pets, people in restaurants, and whatever area shows a need for food.

I prefer jobs under good management, as the other kind don't last long. Rules are what form the structure of anything worthwhile doing or maintaining, otherwise, legal problems start piling in and everyone goes away, figuratively and physically. I have lived long enough to see several small communities fade away, Pickardville, Lincoln Valley, Denhoff, Goodrich, and Kief. Over the years my family, including grandparents, shopped or sold grain, cream, or eggs at these com-

munities. If there were others, I missed that age bracket, I guess. The sadness is still there, but the goal is to learn from failures, no matter how difficult the learning might be.

I have many people compliment me on different things, keeping the paper alive, my column, stories I have written, or my column where some have said "It was about time someone wrote about that."

I have learned more from my work than I have ever learned from anything else. I can value a rock garden, Barbie Doll clothes, milk cows, pig farms, 4-H, sick people, people who succeed where others fail, people who failed when there was no support for them when needed. Everyone has a story, and I hope most of mine made the person and their family proud.

But, if there is someone out there who wants to move into a later-age job and has writing, computer, and bookkeeping skills good enough to run a business, we should talk.

Without rural papers, written by those who have no financial interest in what they cover in meetings, no person-

al agenda to foist onto an unwilling listener or reader, and a really good sense of humor. The humor should often be used when viewing our own behaviors, not those of others.

If we can laugh at ourselves, we will always be able to draw an audience. We just might be surprised at how large the crowd is. Joke.

The building is not for sale but use of it is negotiable to a point. It is already in a life-estate for a child.

I would gladly help anyone to learn the process of covering or writing the news. It can be fun, and it can be long, several hours, but those are few. More, like Bingo, sports, holidays, and celebrations, are fun.

NDNA will be helping to find the right person if there is one for this community and readers.

A paper document is much harder to alter than words online that can be changed by most anyone with computer skills.

So, if you have some good years left but still would like to earn a bit more income, and also help keep your county and community alive and well, consider talking to me about the newspaper. 701-363-2492

Announcements

Events Letters to the Editor policy

The McClusky Gazette welcomes and encourages letters to the editor.

Items submitted are edited for content, length, and space available. Grammar and spelling corrections will also be made, if needed.

Libelous or slanderous material is never allowed. No political promotion or view content.

Letters to the editor are reserved for individual comment to the editor on a subject of local interest and should follow these guidelines: Letters addressed to the public at large are not considered letters to the editor.

Letters should not be more than 250 words in length. The shorter the letter, the more likely it will be read.

Letters must be signed, address included, with a phone number for verification.

The McClusky Gazette will not honor requests to withhold names.

We will not publish anonymous/unsigned letters.

Announcements: Sheridan County Commission/Park Board

Sheridan County Commissioners and Park Board: First Tuesday of the month

Starting April 1-2025; County Park Board first on agenda at 8:30 a.m.

Regular County Commission 9:30 a.m.

Check with the County Auditor for notice on special commission and committee meetings 701-363-2205.

Sheridan Water Resource District

The Sheridan County Water Resource District will meet the second Thursday of February, June, September, and November in the Commissioners Room, 9 a.m.

McClusky City Meeting

Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m. City Hall.

McClusky Municipal Court;

Third Monday of the month, 7 p.m. City Hall.

McClusky Job Development Authority

First Wednesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. City Hall

McClusky Park Board

First Monday of the month, City Hall, 7 p.m.

McClusky School Board

Second Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m. High school Home Ec. room; check with school for changes.

Sheridan County Senior Citizens: The New Senior Citizen Center at 213 South Main Street is open from noon to 5 p.m., Monday, Tues-

day, Thursday and Friday. Wednesdays are reserved for visiting the Sheridan Memorial Home.

Contact Linda Bowers, 363-9205 for current information.

McClusky Fire Department

First Monday of the month; summer at 9 p.m., winter at 8 p.m. City Hall.

Goodrich Fire Department

Second Monday of the month; 7 p.m.

Goodrich City Council

First Monday of the month; 8:30 a.m.

Martin City Council

First Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

Sheridan County Food Shelf

Third Tuesday of each month

Sheridan County Court-house

9 a.m. to noon. Board meeting to follow

McClusky Farmers Market

Every two weeks at the Heart Park, 5 to 7 p.m., September 10. Contact Alexis Bauer at 701-425-1573 for more information or to sign up.

Used flag receptacles.

There are used flag receptacles in both the McClusky and Goodrich Post Offices for anyone wishing to dispose of any retired flags.

Unless inclement weather or illness prohibits, the Gazette office is open by appointment. Call the editor for an appointment or information at 363-2492.

Submissions of ads, photos, obits, copy, reports, minutes, events, and subs, new and renewals, are possible at that time. Ads and notices must meet the noon Friday deadline before the next issue to be included in the next paper. We go to press at noon Monday.

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Thank you for keeping our chain of information working by using the established protocols for submission of community information. Our readership continues to grow.

Thank you, personal announcements, sales of items or services, or promotion of events which charge admission or are fundraising events are ads. Legals are paid, required reports and announce-

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