## **Public Notices**

#### Notice of Public Organizational Meeting and Election

Drayton Rural Ambulance District

Notice is hereby given to all qualified electors living within the boundaries of the district, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at 6:00 pm at Drayton Ambulance Facility, 105 West Grant Ave, Drayton, ND 58225 an organizational meeting will be held to elect Drayton Rural Ambulance District Board of Directors. Immediately following the organizational meeting, the District's Board of Directors will hold a public meeting with the following agenda.

- Call the Meeting to Order 1
- Nomination and Election of officers 2
- 3 Current ambulance service overview to District Board
- 4 Present draft governance bylaws for board review
- 5 Mill Levy authority - consideration and resolution
- Set next meeting date 6
- 7 Adjourn

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		161	6-7, 18-20, 29-32			
	Midland	160	52	1-4, 9-16, 20-29, 31-36		
	Lincoln	160	51	1-36		
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	St Thomas	159	53	1, 12-13, 24-25, 36		
	Midland	159	52	1-36		
	Drayton	159	51	1-36		
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# **Missouri River Bluegrass Festival**

## Your encounter with baby wild animals

By Doug Leier, North Dakota Game and Fish Department

Springtime into early summer is when we start seeing baby birds, bunnies, fawn deer, ducklings and goslings making their way into the world. While it's heartwarming to spot these tiny creatures, many people don't know what to do when they come across one. Whether you're walking through the woods, across the prairie or in your own back yard, it's important to know what to do and even more what not to do.

#### **Baby birds: Leave them** where they are

One of the most common wildlife encounters during spring is finding a baby bird on the ground. This can be alarming, especially if it appears to be abandoned or injured. However, before jumping into action, consider a few things.

#### Do:

If you find a baby bird that is still featherless or covered with very few feathers (a nestling), gently place it back in its nest if you can find it. Most birds won't abandon their young if they've been touched by humans.

#### Don't:

Don't assume the bird is abandoned simply because it's on the ground. Many young birds, known as fledglings, leave the nest before they can fly but still rely on their parents for feeding and protection. In fact, fledglings are often seen hopping around on the ground, learning how to navigate the world. Intervening by taking them home or keeping them from their parents can be harmful. Let the parents continue their work.

#### **Baby rabbits: Leave them alone**

Baby rabbits are one of the most misunderstood animals. It's natural to feel compelled to help a baby rabbit you come across, especially if it's all alone in the grass.

#### Do:

If you find a baby rabbit that appears to be unharmed, leave it alone. Mother rabbits typically only visit their nests once or twice a day to feed their young, so the babies may seem abandoned when they are, in fact, just waiting for mom to return.

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#### Don't:

Don't try to "rescue" the baby by picking it up and taking it home. The mother rabbit may avoid the nest if it smells human scent on the babies. Your best bet is to leave the rabbit in its natural environment and let nature take its course. In some cases, people mistakenly "rescue" baby rabbits that are just fine and might actually cause more harm by disturbing the nest.

#### **Baby ducklings: Keep** the family together

Baby ducks, like other baby wildlife, are cute, but they also need their parents. Ducklings are often found near bodies of water, where they can quickly get into trouble if separated from their mothers.

If you come across baby ducklings and the mother is nearby, chances are she'll guide them back to safety. Sometimes a mother duck can be found across the road from her ducklings and she will do her best to bring them safely back together.

#### Don't:

Never take ducklings home. While it may be tempting to raise them as pets, wild ducklings need to stay with their mothers to learn vital survival skills. It's illegal to take wild animals from their natural habitat.

#### The bottom line: Let nature take its course

Whether it's a fawn, baby bird, rabbit, or duckling, the key to handling these situations is restraint. If the animal appears healthy and capable of surviving on its own, the best thing you can do is leave it where it is. In most cases, nature has already provided the best care it can offer.

Animals are resilient, and often, the best way to help is by not getting involved. Keep in mind that your wellmeaning actions could inadvertently disrupt a fragile ecosystem or prevent young from receiving the proper care from parents.

So, next time you come across a baby animal, remember in many cases, the best "rescue" is to step back and let nature do its job.

### **Cavalier Thrift Store awards** \$6,000 in scholarships

Submitted by JoDee Dungan

The Cavalier Thrift Store is honored to award six \$1,000 scholarships to area students that will be furthering their education in the fall of 2025. The Thrift Store had funds available for up to ten scholarships, but due to lack of applicants this year, we are only giving six.

The Thrift Store awards scholarships to students that are enrolling in a two-year technical/trade school, or a vocational program of study.

This year brings the total in scholarships given by the Thrift Store to \$125,000. Because of the faithful customers and generous donations made to the Thrift Store they can support these and many other worthwhile programs in the surrounding communities. The Cavalier Thrift Store is open and accepts donations Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 1:00-4:00.

Congratulations to these students. We wish them the best in their future endeavors. The following students each received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Cavalier: Devin Dominguez- NDSCS **Bradley Pelletier- NDSCS** Kayden Rose- NDSCS

Drayton: Daniel DeSouza- NDSCS Ellie Haltom – NCTC

North Border: Walhalla - Caylee Berg- NDSCS



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Friday and Saturday, June 13-14, 2025 Cross Ranch State Park, Center, ND Fri. 6:30 - 10:30 - Sat. 10:00 am - 10:30 pm 5 Bluegrass Bands 16 and under FREE

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## Help Wanted Equipment Operator/Mechanic

Steele County Highway Department in Finley, ND has a job opening for a full-time equipment operator/mechanic position. We offer paid health, dental, vision, and ND PERS retirement benefits. Employees will be expected to operate highway maintenance equipment. Some mechanical experience preferred but not required. CDL required. Possibility of night and weekend hours pending the weather. Salary range is \$22.00/hour -\$25.00/hour pending experience. Applications must be submitted no later than Friday May 23, 2025. Submit an application to: Steele County Highway Department, PO Box 291, Finley, ND 58230, Attn: Reed Oien or Email: steelecohighway@nd.gov Applications available on our website at www.steelecountynd.gov/employment (Steele County is an EOE)

In addition to cell phones and computers, Giles has also spent time fixing old electronic antique signs as well as several guitars.

According to Jenn Petersen, a frequent customer of Giles, he has been her go to guy whenever she needs something fixed.

"Every time one of my kids breaks their IPad, he is my go to," Petersen said. "It's saved me a ton of money having him in town so I don't have to just buy a new one every time. Always great conversation, speedy, and reasonably priced. I highly recommend him."

One of the more difficult projects Giles conquered was a cell phone that looked like it had been put in a blender. It was a challenge but after it was finished, the owner Leah Kreklau Ososki said it looked like brand new and worked like a dream.

"I gave him a totally mangled iPhone and didn't think it was possible to fix it but Tracy said let me take a look at it," she said. "A few days later he handed me my phone which looked and worked like it was brand new. I couldn't believe it. Man full of talent for sure."

Giles, who is always up for a challenge, said he hopes he can help people in the area so they don't have to travel a distance to get their cell phones and computers fixed. He thrives on quality customer service and looks forward to expanding his business and serving more customers.

"I like being able to fix people's stuff for a reasonable amount of money," Giles said. "I appreciate those who have trusted me with repairing their devices so far and look forward to helping more people."

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