

Sheyenne

by Patti Clifton

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There was no Sheyenne Bingo on Saturday, July 5 so the volunteers could have a break.

Blackout was \$250 in 60 numbers when the Fire Department hosted on Saturday, July 12.

A stormy weather forecast for the Fourth of July missed the Sheyenne area. A little rain Thursday night settled the dust. The parade at 11:30 a.m. was led with presentation of colors up Highway 281

had "kids" home for the Fourth. Dave and June Lewis had an entire float full! Also, Steve and Madison Loe were home from Nebraska. John, Andrea and Chase Larson of Fargo, enjoyed the dinner. Sandra Larson came home to play in the community band and her friend Jasper came from Minneapolis to celebrate his birthday helping at the dinner. Collin Hanson and his friend Matt from Grand Forks pitched in. Sara

riders come from far and wide to compete for the Henry Golden Boy 30-30 rifle as a bonus trophy. This year Mike Berger from Belle Plaine, Minn. took top Saddle Bronc Rider and received the rifle given by the Wetzel Family in memory of Tom.

Patti Larson stopped by the Open House at the Eddy County Court House on July 2. The celebration of cake and refreshments marked 125 years.

Grandfield Lutheran Church celebrates 140 years with a special service on Saturday, July 19 at 2 p.m. I believe Grandfield, in rural Sheyenne, is the longest serving church in Eddy County, N.D.

July 6 at 11 a.m. Grace Lutheran hosted. LaRhae Dodds, Karen Birkeland, Joan Cudworth, and Deb Zieman served. Dan Birkeland set up the sound system and ushered. Bonnie Deegan played keyboard. It was absolutely beautiful out. Many lingered to visit after the delicious potluck.

Karen Rieger, Sandy Hanson, Laurie Westby, and Patti Larson put some finishing touches on interior painting and cleaning at the GRIT project house. Jackie Williams finished liquid rubber coating on the foundation. Dave and grandson Alex Chenze seeded grass after dragging and leveling the yard. 301 Pleasant is ready for a family, if you know someone interested in a home in Sheyenne, contact Patti.

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The counties and cities within the state of North Dakota hold many interesting news stories. Here are just a few of the feature stories that others are reading in communities around the state.

No need to leave town for a nursing degree

Nurses are needed everywhere, from Harvey to Carrington to Grand Forks, Minot, Bismarck and Fargo. And in every rural hospital along the Interstate highways and the Blue Highways crisscrossing North Dakota.

In other words, the demand for nursing in the state is omnipresent, constantly encountered and widespread; outside North Dakota's borders, the demand is equally critical.

But few know that a person, a recently graduated high school senior for instance, or a student still in school; a person seeking a second career certainly qualifies; so does that certain someone who wants a directional change in his or her life; more importantly, anyone wanting to enter the medical profession at the nursing level - can get their proverbial foot in the door by agreeing to enter the Dakota Nursing Program offered by the SMP Health, St. Aloisius Medical Center in Harvey.

"It's remarkable really. Totally amazing," said Spencer Marchand, Human Services director at the Harvey medical center.

"A person can receive the schooling, training and certification to become an LPN and RN right here in Harvey."

In two years, a person can enter the workforce pipeline qualified and certified to work in any hospital, clinic or long-term care unit in the state or the country for that matter, Marchand continued.

In association with Bismarck State College and the Dakota Nursing Program, SMP Health, St. Aloisius offers a pathway from Licensed Practical Nurse in nine months to an associate-degreed Registered Nurse in an additional 11 months.

This program is available through a consortium of four North Dakota colleges: Bismarck State College, Dakota College at Bottineau, Lake Region State College and Williston State College.

(Story by Neil O. Nelson, the Herald-Press, Harvey)

Daring mission brings family together at last

A six year process followed by a dramatic rescue mission gave Jake and Maribeth Joraanstad two more members of their family.

The Joraanstad's began the adoption process in 2019 by completing the necessary paperwork and background checks. "We knew we wanted to do international adoption because of the need for loving families for kids," Maribeth said. "We decided on Haiti because Jake had visited there on a mission trip in 2010 after the earthquake and retained connections with people there."

The effort was rife with obstacles. Jake said the paperwork is extensive plus adding that an international adoption meant dealing with two governments.

"Everything seemed to take twice as long to get done," Jake said.

Adding to the strife was Haiti's ongoing turmoil, including the assassination of the president in 2021 which led to violent gangs taking control of the country.

The situation in the Caribbean nation was so bad that U.S. airlines stopped flying to Haiti in 2024, adding another hurdle to secure transportation for their new family members.

Still, the family persisted in their goal and in September 2023, they learned about a match with two girls. They got them an English tutor and every Friday, after the lessons, Jake and Maribeth visited with the girls via a video call.

In July of 2024, the family's adoption effort was finalized and the girls were helicoptered to another airport in Haiti and flown to Miami, then to Fargo with the help of Grey Bull Rescue, an organization that rescues citizens in danger.

(Story by Jason Nordmark, the Turtle Mountain Star)

Famous Wienermobile to appear in ND State Parade

The famous Oscar Mayer Wienermobile will be making its appearance in the 43rd annual North Dakota State Parade set for Saturday, July 19, in Minot.

It is believed to be the first time the Wienermobile will be in the parade, according to parade officials.

"I'm super excited to have it in the parade," said Twyla Scott, in her fourth year as chairperson of the parade.

She said the Wienermobile will be at the North Dakota State Fair in front of the State Fair Center after the parade on Saturday, July 19 and again on Sunday, July 20.

Emily Schmitt, a spokesperson for Kraft Heinz Co., with headquarters in Chicago, Ill., said there are six Wienermobiles that travel the country and those who pilot them are "hotdoggers."

Invented by Carl Mayer in 1936, the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile is 60 hotdogs long or 27 feet long and 24 hotdogs high or 11 feet high, according to Kraft Heinz information. Inside it has six ketchup and mustard colored seats, a "bun" roof, a flat screen television and mustard splattered floors.

The "hotdoggers" who pilot the Wienermobiles as they travel throughout the country are recent college graduates, according to Kraft Heinz information.

While in Minot, the Wienermobile also will be at Minot's Marketplace Foods stores.

The N.D. State Parade has the theme this year of "Small Town Roots, Big Dakota Touchdown."

(Story by Eloise Ogden, the Pierce County Tribune)

Multiple tornadoes ravage central Emmons County

Multiple tornadoes ravaged areas in central Emmons County during the late evening hours of June 27. The two tornadoes confirmed in Emmons County were among nine total tornadoes confirmed by the National Weather Service that occurred in Oliver, Morton, Burleigh and Kidder counties over a three-and-a-half hour span.

(Story by Mark Weber, the Emmons County Record)

Senior Meals

July 14 - 18

Monday: Chicken enchiladas, southwest corn, seasoned black beans and fruit or sauce.

Tuesday: Hungarian goulash, low sodium vegetable, house salad with dressing, bread and fresh fruit or sauce.

Wednesday: BBQ chick-

en salad, fresh fruit and bitzy brownie.

Thursday: Liver and onions, rosemary potatoes, low sodium mixed vegetables, bread and fruit or sauce.

Friday: Lemon pepper fish over rice, yams, bread and fresh fruit or sauce.



The Lewis family was out in full force with this entry in Sheyenne's Independence Day parade. Photo by Amy Wobbema.

from Warren Implement to Route 281 Station. Charlotte Franks Erickson was parade pace master, spacing many entries as they paraded past hundreds of on-lookers. Collin Hanson announced commentary across from Keps corner.

This year's winning float awards went to: Sheyenne Community Band - Most entertaining, Ed Gilderhus white custom Model T - Best Car, Roger Eversvik's Team and Wagon - Best Horse, The Lewis Cousins Float - Best Decorated. All the kids watching the parade were happy to collect bags full of candy.

The Sheyenne Fire Department and First Lutheran Church served the annual Stone Pit Roast Beef Dinner to approximately 500 people after the parade. The Fire Deartment cut and split a truckload of wood in June and started burning the logs Thursday, July 3, to make the bed of hot coals in the pit. That evening, they seasoned and wrapped the roasts to bake overnight. A total of 350 pounds of beef and 120 pounds of onions were prepared. The meat was cooked to perfection and served with sides of coleslaw, baked potatoes, baked beans, buns, buttered onions, au Jus, cookies, coffee, water, and lemonade.

New volunteers stepped up to help this year. Linda Winning moved back to Maplewood, Minn., so Kathy Albrecht's grandson Bradyn Williamson served baked beans. Patti Larson's brother-in-law Kent Rigsby filled infor Val Augustyn. Shelley Rigsby poured drinks so that Irene Cudworth could attend her class reunion. Other servers included Randy Keller, Kathy Albrecht, Missy Ystaas and Bonnie Tweten. Other kitchen helpers were Darlene Kolstad, Dianne Hanson, Denise Labrensz, Gavin Brown, Patti Larson, LeAnn Drake, Thane and Alaric Terres, Sandra Larson and Jasper Zarkower. For the last few years they have offered one line that uses servers to dish up for you, or two other lines that are self-serve. Once the meat is cut after the parade ... serving lines go quickly.

The Sheyenne High School Class of '74 had a float in the parade and got together at the Open Season Lodge (their old school building) to catch up and reminisce after 51 years.

Many Sheyenne families

Albrecht Williamson and sons Bradyn and Ben flew in from Texas to help out. Ahna Erickson and friend Aaron came from Arizona. Tanner, Steph, Winston and Edie Erickson drove from Minneapolis. Dickie Evensons daughter Mary and husband John came from Bismarck. Neil and Laurie Westby's kids were home. Stan and Marilynn Kruger's as well.

Evan, Hope and Mabel Swenson came from Velva. I'm sure others as well. It was great to see everyone.

The Sheyenne NDRA Rodeo turned out to be an awesome event with cloud cover for shade, a light sprinkle for a few minutes to cool off, no dust or mosquitoes, and non-stop action! The bronc

Cherries are ready to pick at Prairie Dawn Community Orchard. Come and get some.

The Youth Garden Club meets every Monday afternoon at the Community Garden 3-4 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to join anytime.

The annual Warsing Dam Church service and potluck was held Sunday,

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- 2006 Ford Expedition
- 2007 Ford Focus
- 2011 Chevrolet Impala
- 1998 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo
- 1989 Ford F-250 4x4.

Submit bids addressed to:

City Auditor
Attn: Impound Vehicle Sale
117 1st Street South
New Rockford, ND 58356

Bids must be received by the New Rockford City Auditor's Office by 4pm on July 15, 2025. Bids will be opened at 9am July 16, 2025 at City Hall in New Rockford.

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