

# ND Courts 201

"The Federal Reserve was set in place supposedly to prevent or recover from bank failures, which periodically beset our banking system. Yet within less than twenty years after the creation of the Federal Reserve, we went into the worst depression the country had ever seen. We witnessed the collapse of banks and a temporary shutdown of banks by the Roosevelt administration to prevent even the largest banks from collapsing!"

"Although an instrument of the U.S. government, the Federal Reserve System considers itself an independent central bank because its monetary policy decisions do not have to be approved by the president or by anyone else in the executive or legislative branches of government!" The "Fed" was created in 1913 by an act of Congress and signed into law by President Woodrow Wilson.

"The Federal Reserve budget for 2024: \$6.05 billion. Number of employees: around 24,000, including over 400 PhD economists. Average pay in 2021: \$168,786. Including benefits, that number jumped to \$215,338. In 2023 and 2024, the Federal Reserve lost a total of \$182 billion, because it was paying out more than it earned, especially to big banks."

"Removing a kingpin from the illegal drug trade can change the leadership chart, but it does not dismantle the supply chain that keeps the market stable." This theory applies to Venezuela, Mexico and others as well as right here in Pembina County. Our Federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) or our area Drug Task Force are busy all the time with removing kingpins and bit players/users from the illegal drug trade.

The illegal drug supply chain has been disrupted but it is not dismantled, addicts still need their fix. Our southern border, the northern border, airports, ocean ports and who knows what other means of access are still being used by drug pushers.

Looking at the court docket for Pembina County for the previous three months it appears that about one third of the felonies charged have to do directly with illegal drugs. The names look familiar from previous times that I have looked up this information! In Walsh County it is about the same and many of the other crimes charged are indirectly drug related. Let's have a look at one of these criminal cases, it begins with the person driving under suspension, pleaded guilty with the criminal judgment imposed by the court being seven days of confinement: credit for time served, seven days. This means that this criminal sat in jail for seven days while trying to come up with the substantial cash appearance bond required by the court for the other crimes listed as follows: possession of CS-Schedule II Stimulant-with a firearm-felon, possession of CS-Schedule IV Depressant-With a firearm-felon, possession of a CS-Schedule III Narcotic drug-with a firearm-felon. All three of those crimes were dismissed. That leaves one crime left to be punished for: unlawful possession of a firearm by a previously convicted felon of a gun related crime. The judgment by the court was Supervised Probation for 24 months, confinement by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Term 5 years. First serve: 90 days, credit for time served: 7 days with the remaining 83 days on Electronic Home Monitoring. That 7 days of time served was used twice, once for the driving under suspension and again for unlawful possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

That previous paragraph is likely a bit confusing for most of us, the information is found in the ND COURTS website that this article is named after. The Register of Actions for this felon is written in legalese that I will attempt to translate to simple terms and my interpretation should be suspect. In a traffic stop the person was found to be a felon in possession of illegal drugs and a weapon as well as driving under suspension. The person received a slap on the hand for the crimes. Do you suppose this person made a deal to be an informant for the drug task force that resulted in very little penalty? These drugie informants carry weapons because they are afraid of the dealers and other users who know they are informants. A dealers weapon of choice in coping with an informant is a special batch of drugs laced with fentanyl that results in an "accidental" overdose! Or is the reduced sentencing because there is no jail or prison space? We need regional prisons, not fifty-three new county prisons! The purpose of counties is to help state government carry out its duties, opposite what many think.

"There is no greater indictment of judges than the fact that honest people are afraid to go into court, while criminals swagger out its revolving doors." --Thomas Sowell

Clyde, still at Stokesville 701-202-5000

## Notice Of Filing Deadline

### North Border Public School District Election

The annual election for North Border School District #100 will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026.

Any eligible resident of the school district may file to run for the board seat which represents the geographic area of the district in which they reside. A person must be at least 18 years old, be a resident of North Dakota, and have lived in the school district for at least 30 days prior to the election to be eligible.

Terms of current school board members that are ending this year (June 30, 2026) are: Jared Hanson, who represents Neche (3-year term), Heather Duerre, who represents Walhalla (3-year term), and Ashley Schafer, who represents At-Large (3-year term).

Applications for nomination may be obtained from the school offices in Pembina and Walhalla. **The deadline to file an application to run for school board member is Friday, March 6, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.** in the office of the business manager at the Walhalla School.

\*\*Reminder: Voters are required to show identification at the polling place that includes the individual's residential address and date of birth.

Any questions, call 549-3751 ext. 213.

## Notice Of Filing Deadline

### Valley-Edinburg School Board Election

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing to have a candidate's name printed on the ballot for the Valley-Edinburg school board election is:

**Monday, April 6th 2026 at 4:00p.m.**

The following offices are up for election:

Jackson Hall (3 year term)  
Joe Gullickson (3 year term)

\*All positions are at-large positions - anyone residing within the Valley-Edinburg School district is eligible to run for these open positions.

A candidate for the school district office must prepare and sign a document stating the candidate's name and the position for which the individual is a candidate, and a SFN 10172 Statement of Interests form. Both of these documents must be filed with the school district business manager for the Valley-Edinburg School by the above deadline date and time. All forms are available on our district website on the school board page or by contacting Anyssa Hunter, Business Manager.

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## Notice Of Filing Deadline

### Cavalier Public School District Election

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing to have your name printed on the ballot for the Cavalier Public School Board election is **March 30th, 2026, by 4:00 p.m.** The following offices are up for election:

School Board Member - Rural Zone currently held by Elizabeth Crowston (3 Year Term)

A candidate for a school district board member office must prepare and sign a document stating the candidate's name and the position for which the individual is a candidate, and an SFN 10172 Statement of Interests form. Both documents must be filed with the school district business manager for Cavalier Public School by the above filing deadline date and time.

All forms are available on the district website or at the school district business manager's office at the Cavalier Public School (701) 265-8417.

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1. **GOAT** (PG) Caleb McLaughlin, Gabrielle Union
2. **Wuthering Heights** (R) Margot Robbie, Jacob Elordi
3. **I Can Only Imagine 2** (PG) Arielle Kebbel, Milo Ventimiglia
4. **Crime 101** (R) Chris Hemsworth, Mark Ruffalo
5. **Send Help** (R) Rachel McAdams, Dylan O'Brien
6. **How to Make a Killing** (R) Glen Powell, Margaret Qualley
7. **EPiC: Elvis Presley in Concert** (PG-13) Elvis Presley
8. **Solo Mio** (PG) Kevin James, Jonathan Roumie
9. **Zootopia 2** (PG) Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman
10. **Avatar: Fire and Ash** (PG-13) Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana

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## NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE DEADLINE FOR FILING TO HAVE A CANDIDATE'S NAME PRINTED ON THE BALLOT FOR THE CITY OF WALHALLA is April 6, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.**

The following city and park board offices are up for election:

- ★ Mayor ----- (4-year Term)
- ★ City Council Member (3) Positions (4-year terms)
- ★ City Park Board Member (2) Positions (4-year terms)
- ★ City Park Board Member ----- (2) Positions (Unexpired two-year term)

*A candidate for a city or park board office must turn in a completed SFN 02704 Petition/Certificate of Nomination and a completed SFN 10172 Statement of Interests to their City Auditor by the above deadline date and time. All forms are available from either the City Auditor located at 1103 Central Ave or can be obtained on-line at*

<http://www.nd.gov/sos/electvote/elections/forms.html>

## CITY OF SAINT THOMAS

PO Box 177  
ST THOMAS NORTH DAKOTA 58276

### NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing to have a candidate's name printed on the ballot for the City of St Thomas is **Monday, April 6, 2026, by 4:00 p.m.**

**THE FOLLOWING CITY OFFICES ARE UP FOR ELECTION.**

Mayor ----- (4-year term)  
Council Member -- 2 positions ----- (4-year term)  
Park Board ----- 2 positions ----- (4-year term)

A candidate for City office must turn in a completed **SFN 2704 Petition/Certification of Nomination** and a completed **SFN 10172 Statement of Interests** to the city auditor by the above deadline date and time. All forms are available from the city auditor or obtained online at <https://vip.sos.nd.gov/>

*Jennifer Lunde, City Auditor*

## VALLEY-EDINBURG SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

*Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing to have a candidate's name printed on the ballot for the Valley-Edinburg school board election is:*

### Monday, April 6th 2026 at 4:00pm.

**THE FOLLOWING OFFICES ARE UP FOR ELECTION:**

**Jackson Hall - - - (3 year term)**  
**Joe Gullickson - (3 year term)**

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Email: [Anyssa.Hunter@valley-edinburgk12.com](mailto:Anyssa.Hunter@valley-edinburgk12.com)  
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## Cavalier Tornado Booster Club

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**Memberships as of 2/9/26 - 86**  
**Dues collected \$11,449.99**

## The Weather

### Monthly Temperatures & Precipitation

Taken 7 Miles NW of Cavalier, ND  
by Harold McConnell

### February, 2026

DATE	HIGH TEMP	LOW TEMP	AVG TEMP	PRECIP	NEW SNOW	SNOW ON GND	PEAK GUST	GDD
1	27	-4	11.5	0.07	1.5	10	38	0
2	16	3	9.5	Trace	Trace	10	33	0
3	3	-11	-4	0	0	10	15	0
4	22	-6	8	Trace	Trace	10	26	0
5	34	13	23.5	0	0	9	28	0
6	40	14	27	Trace	Trace	8	38	0
7	15	6	10.5	0	0	8	28	0
8	23	10	16.5	0	0	8	28	0
9	39	22	30.5	0	0	7	39	0
10	38	20	29	Trace	Trace	7	30	0
11	25	18	21.5	0	0	7	17	0
12	26	18	22	0	0	7	16	0
13	35	23	29	0	0	6	17	0
14	38	22	30	0	0	5	7	0
15	33	26	29.5	0	0	5	13	0
16	43	26	34.5	0	0	4	25	2.5
17	33	23	28	0	0	3	9	0
18	34	22	28	0.18	2	5	36	0
19	28	16	22	0.14	2.5	7	21	0
20	18	4	11	Trace	Trace	7	26	0
21	9	-6	1.5	0	0	7	28	0
22	7	-4	1.5	Trace	Trace	7	30	0
23	1	-13	-6	0	0	7	29	0
24	29	-6	11.5	0	0	7	36	0
25	16	-11	2.5	0	0	7	31	0
26	26	-12	7	0	0	7	16	0
27	34	16	25	0	0	7	22	0
28	36	-9	13.5	0	0	6	45	0

MONTH = 16.9 0.39 6 25.96 2.5  
NORMAL = 9 0.35  
YEAR AGO = 3.8 0.1 1.7 20.43 0

Total Precip. Year to Date = 0.61 Inches

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