





EDITORIAL

McClusky-Goodrich School			 January 2026			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 AB GBB 1pm @ Flasher ABC BBB 2:30 pm @ Flasher
4	5 School Resumes AB BBB 5:45 pm @ Surrey	6 AB GBB 6pm @ TLM	7	8 ABC GBB 4:30 pm @ TLM	9	10 V BBB 12pm @ Trinity V GBB 1:30 pm @ Trinity
11	12	13 BC BBB 3pm @ Center JH BBB 4pm @ Beulah AB GBB 6pm @ UHS	14 PTO Mtg. 6pm @ MGHS 4-Day Community Mtg. 6pm @ MGHS Gym-School Board Mtg. to follow in Conf. Room	15 AB BBB 6pm @ Glen Ullin JH BBB 6pm @ Garrison	16	17 JH BBB 10am @ Washburn B GBB 2pm @ UHS AB BBB 3:30 pm @ UHS
18 	19 No School MLK Day JH BBB 3pm @ Steele AB BBB 5pm @ Steele	20 AB GBB 5:30 pm @ New Salem	21	22 JH BBB 4pm @ TLM AB BBB 6pm @ TLM	23 AB BBB 5pm @ New Salem	24
25	26 JH BBB 4pm @ UHS AB GBB 6pm @ UHS	27 ABC BBB 4:30 pm @ TLM	28 Art in the Classroom	29 JH BBB 4pm @ TLM AB GBB 5pm @ New England	30	31 AB GBB 1pm @ UHS



Edge of Chaos

By Allan Tinker

Newspaper update

As I wrote before, my age and the number of years I have worked for the paper, never missing an issue (that didn’t get lost in transit) through sickness and good health, Brian’s accident and death, as well as all the ordinary challenges that multiplied when COVID hit, are indicating I need to retire.

I am hoping that someone who would like to work from a home office, likes to write, and is willing to cover meetings and community events, will decide that this newspaper is worth saving for another few years.

While we are one of the smaller in-print papers left in North Dakota, we have fairly stable city and county populations, much public support for meeting coverage of the news other than the official minutes, and whose people love photos of others featured in the paper who are involved in a wide range of reasons to be in the paper. Niney-nine percent are good reasons.

Before Brian pointed out the ad for the McLean County Journal need of an editor and I took the job (He told me that this was the job opportunity

‘made for me’). Prior to this I had remarked to him that I didn’t think I ever would use email much in my life, ignorant as I was of what was in store.

Basically, running the paper requires a good working relationship with computers. I have managed, but barely, earning this at a late age and I am not what anyone in their right mind would call “computer literate.” If one is looking for a job that can be done from home outside of gathering live news events, this is a great opportunity. What is paid to operate the heat, phone, and lights could be a tax deduction if done at home in a personal office.

The work involved finding news, writing news, taking photos, and putting them into column format for assembling the paper. If one is skilled in office design work, then that can be done by the same person saving the salary expense for someone to do this part. Then the paper “goes to print” at NorDakNorth in Garrison, all done online; they print, label, and put the papers into the mail slots for their final destiny at the subscriber’s lo-

cations.

This is far from the days when each newspaper printed, labeled, and mailed the issues at the local post office.

In one of the other regular larger publications I know, there are only two people left in the office each week, all the others work from home.

The building is not included in the purchase of this paper, and the equipment in the office was already Brian’s and mine before I purchased the paper ownership and trade name from Jill and Mike at BHG Inc. And they were the best people I have ever worked with and I miss them. So no one pays for anything else, but what they need to work from home.

Great opportunity to expand into the world on social media and business online, give me a call at 701-363-2492 and we will talk about the paperwork, copyright, bound volumes, and customer issues.

Have a great week!

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Announcements

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 on 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, 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, Tuesday, 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 Courthouse
9 a.m. to noon. Board meeting may follow

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 on Monday.

Material needs to be submitted in person, preferably in writing, by computer card, or by email to gazette@westriv.com, or by mail to McClusky Gazette at P.O. Box 619, McClusky, 58463, or by phone to McClusky Gazette at 701-363-2492.

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 announcements to the public.

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We practice journalism, which is defined by a discipline of verification; we tell you how we know something, or we attribute it; we’re mainly about facts, not opinion. Social media is mainly about opinions and have little, if any, discipline or verification. Which should you trust?

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