

EDITORIAL

Announcements

McClusky-Goodrich School  March 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 BBB Districts TBD @ Washburn Acalympics @ Bottineau Lv at 6am	3 BBB Districts TBD @ Washburn	4 Art in the Classroom	5	6 Band Ensemble State 1pm @ Jamestown Archery @ Page	7 Archery @ Page FFA @ TLM JH Music Small Group Festival @ Washburn
8	9 BBB Regionals @ Killdeer Track practice Begins	10 BBB Regionals @ Killdeer SB Mtg. 6pm @ HS	11 PTO Mtg. 6pm @ HS Large Group Festival	12 BBB Regionals @ Killdeer	13 6-12 Winter Park @ Bottineau Lv @ 8am JH State Band @ Bis March 13 & 14	14 Archery @ Richardton Or Harvey FFA @ Carrington BBB State Qualifier Game
15	16 Softball & Baseball Begin	17	18	19	20 Archery @ Minot State	21
No School - Spring Break				Boys State Basketball @ Minot State		
22 FFA @ South Prairie End of Quarter 3	23 FFA State Winter CDE @ Minot Early Dismissal @ 1pm P/T Conf. 1:30-7:30 pm	24	25 Human Trafficking Presentation (Grades 6,10,12) @ 9:24 am	26 Scrubs Camp (Grade 6) @ TLM	27	28
29 	30 Family Engagement 6-7:30 pm @ HS Gym	31			Key: Bis=Bismarck Lv=Leave	

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 Commissioners/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

City Hall, 4:30 p.m. First Wednesday of the month.

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.

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Publishers Auxiliary
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?



Edge of Chaos

By Allan Tinker

Zoning and other fun stuff

I was doing a little light reading this past week and decided I needed to learn something about the process of a city's limits and any zoning or other legal limitations that a city or other entity might have. This is a small part of what I found along with some opinion with which you might agree or not. What is within quotations is a direct copy from the ND state code.

"City Limits and Residential Zones North Dakota Century Code CHAPTER 40-47 CITY ZONING

"Residential zones within city limits areas are restricted to housing. These are often subdivided further into single-family or multi-family (apartments) zones.

"Commercial Zone: Areas for businesses, including retail stores, offices, hotels, and restaurants.

"Industrial Zone: Zones for manufacturing, factories, and warehouses.

"Agricultural Zone: Areas designated for farming and rural activities.

"Mixed-Use Zone: A modern approach that allows a mix of residential, commercial, and recreational uses to coexist in

one area, often encouraging walkability.

"Overlay Zone: A special layer placed on top of existing zoning to address specific features, such as historic preservation or flood risk (e.g., FEMA flood zones)".

Restrictions on what you might do are the following along with my interpretation and opinion, which might not be what an attorney may find applicable in your case.

Keep in mind that there are many levels of authority in legal matters, federal, state, county, city, and they may be stricter on each level, or overlap and be confusing to those not in the legal field. As most people also have their own rules in their own homes, we are a nation of rules. Difficulty in one area might also overlap into several other areas. My column is written mostly on personal opinion but I may cite, as I did here, a certain code of law, so that you, too, may learn from researching and find where you might stand in a situation that requires more legal knowledge than you now have.

I understand this part of the North Dakota Century

Code to say that you cannot typically open a business in a residential zone or build a factory next to a school. One may not put structures that create risks for other structures or overload the system in many areas. There are some who defy any type of restriction that they think is not important though those around them are impacted negatively in one or more areas.

One thing that most people often keep track of is the value of their property, which can be the basis for a line of credit with a bank or other lender, and those values may be lowered if a nice house is surrounded by ill-kept or badly maintained houses,

Those who have pets often impact on their city neighbors if they let their pets bark endlessly, make no effort to keep their yards free of pet poop, or harbor pets that are aggressive and could hurt someone if let loose or taken out without being on a leash. This might fall under city ordinances and may or may not be addressed in a higher court of law and is handled by the local city judge.

When one lives on a farm, fences and pens are used to keep animals contained. Broken or ill-maintained fences and pens may encourage ani-

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