



"At the Crossroads of the Slope and Gateway to Heart Butte Dam"

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## Glen Ullin Community

### Food Pantry:

2nd Saturday of month:  
12 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
103 Oak Avenue East, Glen Ullin  
Contacts: Marilyn 226-1359

## Glen Ullin City

### Library Hours:

**Wednesday's:**  
April - Sept.: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Oct. - March: 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
**Friday's:** 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, May 20:

-GUPPIE at Burlington Park 5:30pm

### Saturday, May 23:

-Glen Ullin Motorcycle Club Fun Run

### Monday, May 25:

-Memorial Day Program at park in Log Cabin 10am

### Friday, May 29:

-Pet show at Marian Manor

### Saturday, May 30:

-Clean Up Day.  
Landfill open 9am - 3pm

### Saturday, June 6:

-Old Red Trail Rummage Sales

## Morton/Mandan Bookmobile

The Morton/Mandan Bookmobile will be in Glen Ullin Thursday, May 14, 2026, at school from 9:30 am - 1:30pm; downtown Glen Ullin from 1:30 - 2:30pm. This will be the last day for school stop.

There is a book drop at the Glen Ullin Pharmacy

## Annual Pet Show

Kids of all ages!!  
Marian Manor HealthCare Center is having its Annual Pet Show on Friday, May 29, 2026 at 2:30pm.

Everyone is welcome to bring their favorite pet and show it off to the residents. This is a nice time for you to share your pets with the residents and they enjoy seeing you. All pets and their babies are welcome.

Please call Deb Wanner at 348-3107 and sign up your pet today!! Hope to see you May 29th!!

## Morton County Fair Board to Meet

The Morton County Fair Board will have their regular meeting on Monday June 1, 2026 at 7:00pm central time at the fairgrounds in New Salem.

## Crossroads Golf Drawing Winner

The Crossroads Golf Association lucky winner of \$50 last week Darwin Gutknecht New Salem.

Congratulations!

## Memorial Day Services

Monday, May 25, 2026 10:00 A.M. CT  
Glen Ullin Memorial Park - Log Cabin



Presentation of Colors... Legion Color Guard  
Pledge of Allegiance..... Audience  
Musical Selection..... Star Spangled Banner - Cassidy Duppong  
Invocation ..... Russell Gietzen  
Memorial Services..... Legion and Legion Auxiliary  
Memorial Address..... Pastor Tony Sifuentes  
Musical Selection..... You're A Grand Old Flag by Cassidy Duppong  
Folding of the Flag ..... Legion Members  
Benediction..... Russell Gietzen  
Retiring of Colors..... Legion Color Guard  
Final Salute & Taps..... Kevin Dziuk & Karter Duppong

Also, participating 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Music students.  
Sponsored by Lawrence Higbee Post #239  
Everyone is invited to coffee and lunch following program sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary



## Class of 2026 to Graduate Sunday

The members of the Glen Ullin High School Class of 2026 will be graduating on Sunday May 24, 2026.

Fourteen students will walk across the stage to receive their diploma.

Graduation will begin at 3:00pm CT with the ceremony held in the school gymnasium with ushers, Juniors Tahj Thomas and Anthony Mathis, leading the graduates into the gym.

The 2026 Class Motto is "You get to decide the legacy that you leave."

The Class Flower is Dark Blue Rose  
The Class Colors are Royal Blue and Roman Gold

The seniors to graduate are Austin Miller, son of Matthew Miller and Vicki Smith; Kevin Dziuk, son of Shawn and Heather Hertz; Cassidy Christensen, daughter of Kyle and Shelly Christensen; Shawna Lauer, daughter of Tom Lauer and Tanya Glass; Trevor Belling, son of Nathan and Melinda Belling; Brianna Schantz, daughter of Brandon and Stephanie Schantz; Hiliana Estrada, daughter of Bianca Calderon-Martinez; Malachi Peltz, son of Andrew and Heidi Peltz; Jaxson Voegelé, son of Bryant and Lora Voegelé; Tyler Kuntz, son of Jeremy and Shannon Kuntz; Quienna Red Eagle, daughter of Barry and Lisa Giese; Aaron Kottre, son of Wade and Emily Kottre; Sierra Schneider, daughter of Brian and Cindy Schneider; Jackson Reynolds, son of Jerri Holth and Nathan Reynolds.

This years 2026 Valedictorians are Cassidy Christensen, Kevin Dziuk, Tyler Kuntz, Austin Miller. The 2026 Salutatorians are Hiliana Estrada and Jaxson Voegelé.

Other Honor students are Malachi Peltz, Sierra Schneider, Trevor Belling, Brianna Schantz.



Tyler Kuntz



Austin Miller



Kevin Dziuk



Cassidy Christensen



## GU Saddle Club to be Inducted into the 2026 Glen Ullin Hall of Fame

This years GU Hall of Fame will have the Glen Ullin Saddle Club inducted on June 27 at the inductee ceremony held at Crossroads Golf Course.

### Glen Ullin Saddle Club

For the love of horses! It was this precise interest that inspired some Glen Ullin community members to form the Glen Ullin Saddle Club almost 70 years ago.

The 1950's saw local horsemen gather Sunday afternoons to race their horses and practice skills through games on horseback. Bill Kastner's (north of GU) was a popular spot (along with members of the Haymarsh Saddle Club), as well as the Weigh Station (west of GU), and, later on, the arenas built on the John Morman and Ernest Schirado farms (in order to have an enclosed area to practice roping events).

As a result of these days spent "horsin' around," a club was formed in approximately 1958 with Donald Kastner as President. The club organized two shows out at the airport for Glen Ullin's 75th Jubilee that year. One consisted of a variety of horse races, and the other was a type of horse show with games such as the Keyhole Race, Gunny Sack Race, Stake Race, Relay Race, and the Scoop Shovel Race. And so the "fever" began.

In 1959, after Francis Pulver found an arena for sale,



**Steer Wrestling** – Cameron Morman is a Glen Ullin native who grew up competing in anything horse-related. While starting as a roper, Steer Wrestling quickly became his passion. Cameron qualified three times and then won the College National Finals Rodeo. He then hit the road on the PRCA trail, winning places like the Pendleton Round-Up in Oregon! In 2019, Cameron and his horse Rio qualified for the NFR (Nat'l Finals Rodeo) in Las Vegas, NV competing for 10 days against the best in the world! Cameron continues to compete, but now sticks a little closer to home as he and his wife, Teddi, raise their family and ranch in the Glen Ullin area.

Claremont Meissner, Oscar Heinle, Mike Glasser, John Morman, and Amos Gietzen headed south with three trucks and hay racks and tore down the arena that had been purchased from Eagle Butte, SD. The arena was reconstructed East of the city of Glen Ullin on land rented from Joe and Dorothy Duppong (site of the current Abrasives plant).

The Glen Ullin Saddle Club became a strong organization in the community. By 1966 the membership had grown to 67 families. They held meetings two to three times a month! In approximately 1963 they began sponsoring an amateur talent show. It was such a hit that they continued the practice for almost 20 years, holding the shows in locations such as the Roxy Theater, Sacred Heart Parish Hall, and the Glen Ullin Public School gymnasium. In 1981, due to an influx of many other talent shows in the area, they, instead, held a music festival for a couple of years which featured area bands and musicians. Most of the proceeds of the shows were given back to the community in donations. If not enough funds were brought in, they held raffles for things such as beef, cash, and even a Shetland pony!

Members liked to get together for card parties, basket and pie socials, annual picnics, and trail rides to such places as Medora and Olson's Unit near Almont. They participated in parades with floats, horseback riders, and horse drawn wagons. Probably some of the most loved events were the

dances! Just mention the name Christ Meier and you get a smile and a story about decades of barn dances held there and at the Marcell Gietzen farm. As soon as the hay was cleaned out of the loft in the spring, the dances would begin. The club held Bowery dances as well, usually the night before a rodeo. A portable wooden floor was constructed, usually inside the arena, and then they hoped it wouldn't rain!

Rodeos became the main event of the club. Each year a large rodeo was organized – starting with rough stock events like broncs and bulls and gradually adding more games and roping events through the years to include more family members. The Saddle Club also sponsored a Little Britches Rodeo (a national youth rodeo organization), more than one NDRA (North Dakota Rodeo Association) semi-pro rodeo, and even held one RCA (Rodeo Cowboys Association – now known as the PRCA) professional rodeo! Some of the early rodeo announcers from the area included Bennie Schmidt, Duane Sebastian, and John Gengler.

The Saddle Club has sponsored other horse related activities through the years: roping clubs and leagues; Team Roping, Breakaway Calf Roping and Barrel Racing competitions; Halter and Reining Horse Shows; Horsemanship classes; and multiple Horse Judging contests

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**Pole Bending** – Jorja Hande currently competes in the ND Junior High Rodeo Division of the High School Rodeo Association in Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Breakaway Roping, and Goat Tying. Last summer, Jorja qualified for the National Finals in Des Moines, IA in both Goat Tying and Pole Bending. She ended up 7th overall in the Pole Bending (riding Cooper) against over 200 contestants from the US, Mexico, Canada, New Zealand, and Australia. Jorja also competes in the NBHA (Nat'l Barrel Horse Association) competitions in the region. Jorja is the daughter of Travis and Jamie Hande of Glen Ullin.

In the reports from staff it includes from Superintendent Bratrud, the district has been fully approved for summer meals for students. Teacher Mrs. Lora Voegelé was nominated in the ND DPI Excellence in ND Education program. A Garden grant for \$1000 and a \$1000 grant from the Glen Ullin Community Foundation for the Summer Blast program was received. Dakota Community Bank & Trust, Farmers Union Insurance (Mormon Agency) and The Union Bank of Glen Ullin donated funds to purchase 3 large coolers for the summer meals program. A playground equipment grant

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## School Board Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Glen Ullin School Board took place last Wednesday night with all members present except for Mitchell Bettenhausen.

President of the board Jill Feser called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call and then right into Student Outcomes, reported by Superintendent Martin Bratrud. He stated that there has been improvements moving in the right direction, that is what we want as he continued to go further into detail with the test scores and how students

are responding as well as giving the staff credit for all their efforts.

The consent agenda included approval of the minutes from the meets from last month including different committee meetings and special, and regular board minutes and the board retreat.

the approval of the April bills and financial report, the budget revisions and manual journal entries.

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the approval of the Best in the Class Grant application and a number of different policies approved.