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Katie Foiles, being duly sworn, states as follows:

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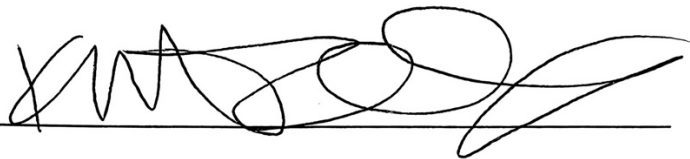
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Dated: April 13, 2026

Signed: 

Print Name/Title: Katie Foiles, Advertising Placement Coordinator

Notary Public: 

My commission expires: May 4, 2027



Twins

From B1

groundout and Victor Caratini drew a walk, Josh Bell blooped an RBI single into shallow left field. Keaschall didn't make a great read, unsure if shortstop Javier Báez could catch it, but he still beat left fielder Riley Greene's throw to the plate with a headfirst slide.

Matt Wallner extended the assembly line of baserunners with an RBI double to right field, and Royce Lewis followed with a two-run single to center. Lewis shouted toward his

teammates in the dugout as he ran up the first-base line.

It was the first six-run inning Valdez allowed since a six-run first inning on Aug. 20, 2025, against the Tigers. Valdez made eight previous career appearances against the Twins, and he yielded one or fewer earned runs in seven of them.

The Twins pursued Valdez in free agency, believing he could strengthen a rotation that still had a then-healthy Pablo López. Valdez confirmed the Twins were one of the teams he considered before signing a three-year, \$115 million

contract to join the Tigers.

"I knew they were on board," he said, "but at the end of the day, I'm happy to be here in Detroit."

Valdez allowed eight earned runs in five innings, matching a career high in a start. Keaschall hit an RBI single in the fourth inning, and Buxton scored when Martin was caught in a rundown in the sixth inning.

The Tigers knocked Ober out of the game after he gave up four hits and two runs in the sixth inning. Justin Topa replaced Ober and left the bases loaded, yielding an infield single before an inning-ending

flyout.

Detroit scored four runs in the seventh inning against Twins lefty Anthony Banda, and the Tigers put two runners on base in the eighth with one out. Cody Laweryson — and Jeffers — escaped the jam when Jeffers successfully challenged an elevated fastball and turned into an inning-ending called third strike.

Jeffers, who overturned another pitch into a called third strike earlier in the eighth inning, pumped his arm after the strike zone review as he danced toward the dugout.

Masters

From B1

"I'm looking at it from a perspective of hitting the big parts of the greens and sometimes giving myself 30-footers ... kind of sticking up for yourself and going, no, this is a great shot," he said.

DeChambeau added that such an approach had served him well when he won his second U.S. Open title at Pinehurst No. 2 in 2024 and could work in his favor again at Augusta, provided his iron play holds up.

Ahead of Thursday's opening round, Augusta National chairman Fred Ridley said the course was in pristine shape despite weather challenges earlier in the season.

"As we enter Masters week, I want to acknowledge the excellent work of Brent Seyer and his agronomy team in preparing the golf course for the tournament," Ridley said on Wednesday.

"Although we had ice and snow events this fall, the course condition is impeccable and ready for the start of the tournament tomorrow."

Hockey

From B1

semifinal game Thursday as the Pioneers seek their 11th national title and Michigan pursues No. 10. "Obviously, it's probably happened quicker than we thought."

The various paths to the NHL

The CHL and NCAA have long been two different avenues for players to take in hopes of reaching the top of the sport. The CHL has 61 teams spanning North America in the Western Hockey League (WHL), Ontario Hockey League (OHL) and the Quebec Maritimes Junior Hockey League (QMJHL). They have produced the likes of Gretzky, Crosby, MacKinnon, Connor Bedard and many of the NHL's top names.

There was also a path through college hockey, which was typically forged by a stop in the United States Hockey League (USHL), which met NCAA amateurism rules. On Tuesday, the USHL unveiled a standard player development agreement that introduces benefits, including support for travel and secondary education along with reimbursements for training and career-ending injuries.

The lanes converged in November 2024 when college's governing body lifted the long-standing ban on players who suited up in the CHL.

It led to an influx of immediate talent onto the NCAA ice. For instance, forward Gavin McKenna left Medicine Hat of the WHL to play for Penn State. He could be the top pick in the 2026 NHL draft, with North Dakota defenseman Keaton Verhoeff also in the running to go No. 1 overall.

All four freshmen goal-tenders at the Frozen Four have roots with the CHL. Denver's Johnny Hicks (WHL) is 14-0-1 since stepping into the net on Jan. 24. Michigan's Jack Ivankovic (OHL) has 25 wins, while North Dakota goalie Jan Špunar (WHL) has more shutouts (six) than losses (four). Wisconsin's Daniel Hauser (WHL) is 20-7-2 this season.

"Players coming through the CHL and its member leagues are accustomed to competing in big games, under pressure, and in demanding environments where every shift matters," CHL president Dan MacKenzie said.

The CHL caters to players ages 16 to 20, with common aspirations: "Everybody came to our league with laser focus on the National Hockey League," said Dan Near, the commissioner of the WHL. "Until now, nobody's ever walked into our door and said, 'My dream is to play in the NCAA.' That was foreign to us."

But they're adjusting to the new landscape of hockey.

"There just needs to be more time and data for players to get a better understanding of what's the best path for them?" Near said.

The NCAA allows CHL players

The NCAA Division I Council's approval of a rule

that allowed players with CHL experience to compete at U.S. colleges starting this season was a landmark decision. Before the ruling, CHL players who previously received a certain level of stipend for living expenses were considered pros and not permitted into the NCAA ranks.

Last summer, there were 21 CHL players selected in the first round of the NHL draft, including the New York Islanders picking defenseman Matthew Schaefer from the OHL's Erie Otters with the first pick.

Things changed quick, too.

A year ago, Denver forward Kristian Epperson was scoring 27 goals for the OHL's Saginaw Spirit. On Thursday, Epperson, a third-round pick of the Los Angeles Kings, is playing for a spot in the national title game.

"I definitely didn't entirely think I'd be ending up in the Frozen Four," Epperson said. "Now that it's here, it's like a pinch-me moment."

The roster makeover

For coaches, it's been a major recruiting adjustment. In a hurry, too, with programs scrambling to sign players.

"We just continue to push the ceiling," said Badgers coach Mike Hastings, whose team faces North Dakota in the semifinals. "The talent level that's at the collegiate game right now is at an all-time high."

North Dakota coach Dane Jackson concurred.

"Definitely strengthened the depth," Jackson said. "Our lineup is as strong as it's ever been."

Lawsuit challenges the NCAA

An assist for the rule change feels warranted for a defenseman who's currently suiting up for the Fort Erie Meteors, a Canadian Junior B ice hockey team in Ontario. Rylan Masterson and his attorneys filed a class-action complaint against the NCAA and several schools, including Denver and Boston College, in August 2024.

Masterson was ruled ineligible for college hockey after playing in two exhibition games for the OHL's Windsor Spitfires. The NCAA permitted players from the CHL to join member universities before Masterson's suit went to trial.

His attorney, Stephen Lagos, wrote in a statement to The Associated Press: "When we filed the case challenging the NCAA's rule in 2024, one of the arguments we made was that, if the NCAA allowed CHL players to play Division I hockey, players wouldn't just benefit, but the quality of play would also improve. It's been really exciting for us to see that happen this season."

The thought of playing for an NCAA title is tempting — even for NHL players. Avalanche captain Gabriel Landeskog left Sweden for the Kitchener Rangers of the OHL when he was a teenager.

"Maybe I say this because I didn't have the college experience, but I like the idea of going to

college," Landeskog said. "I would've entertained it."

Simply another option. "It makes the depth of

college hockey that much better," Michigan coach

Brandon Naurato said. "It's exciting."

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS ND STATE WATER COMMISSION BISMARCK, ND RURAL SERVICE AREA EXPANSION IN THE HEBRON SERVICE AREA SWPP CONTRACT 7-5C
ND State Water Commission (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
RURAL SERVICE AREA EXPANSION IN THE HEBRON SERVICE AREA SWPP CONTRACT 7-5C
Bids for the construction of the Project will be received by mail or in-person at the ND Department of Water Resources located at 1200 Memorial Highway, Bismarck, ND, until May 5th, 2026 at 1:30 P.M. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. Attendees of the bid opening must check in at the Bank of North Dakota lobby and receive a visitor's ID badge. Attendees will be escorted to the Bid opening room by Department of Water Resources staff. Mailed Bids shall be addressed to Justin Froseth, P.E., North Dakota Department of Water Resources (NDDWR), with an internal envelope containing the bid clearly indicated to be a Sealed Bid for Rural Service Area Expansion in the Hebron Service Area.
The Project includes the following Work:
The WORK under CONTRACT 7-5C consists of three (3) Bid Schedules. Bid Schedule 1A and Bid Schedule 1B will be awarded, if awarded, to a single Contractor. Bid Schedule 2 could be awarded, if awarded, to the Bid Schedule 1 Contractor or a separate Contractor based on the Bids received. The Owner reserves the right to award the Bid Schedule(s), if awarded, that is the most advantageous and in the best interest of the Owner. The project is located in Stark, Grant, and Morton Counties of North Dakota.
Bid Schedule No. 1A includes furnishing and installing approximately 22 miles of 8" - 10" ASTM D2241 gasketed joint pipe, road crossings, railroad crossings, connections to existing pipelines, and other related appurtenances.
Bid Schedule No. 1B includes furnishing and installing approximately 109 miles of 1.5" - 4" ASTM D2241 gasketed joint pipe, 162 services, road crossings, railroad crossings, connections to existing pipelines, and other related appurtenances.
Bid Schedule No. 2 includes furnishing and installing approximately 20.6 miles of 1.5" - 4" ASTM D2241 gasketed joint pipe, 18 services, road crossings, railroad crossings, connections to existing pipelines, one (1) prefabricated below grade VFD booster station, and other related appurtenances.
Bid Schedule No. 2 has a delayed start date of May 1st - 2027.
The Project has a Substantial Completion date of **October 31, 2027**, for all Bid Schedules.
Each Bid must be accompanied by a separate envelope containing a copy of a current and valid North Dakota Contractor's License issued at least ten (10) days prior to Bid opening, and a Bidder's Bond in a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the full amount of the Bid, executed by the Bidder as Principal and by a Surety, conditioned that if the Principal's Bid is accepted and the Contract awarded to Principal, the

Principal, within ten (10) days after notice of award, shall execute a Contract in accordance with the terms of the Bid and a Contractor's Bond as required by law and regulations and determinations of the North Dakota State Water Commission. Bidders shall submit proof of qualification to perform the Work as described in the Instructions to Bidders. The Issuing Office for paper copies of the Bidding Documents is: **Bartlett & West/AECOM 3456 E Century Avenue Bismarck ND, 58503**
Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below.
Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office during the hours indicated above. Bidding Documents are available online (as portable document format (PDF) files) for a non-refundable charge of \$50 at www.questcdn.com by entering the following Quest project number **10141531**. Please contact Quest CDN, com@952.233.1632 or info@quest-cdn.com for assistance. Alternatively, printed Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office via in-person pick-up or via mail, upon Issuing Offices' receipt of payment. The non-refundable cost of printed Bidding Documents is \$200 per set. Upon Issuing Office's receipt of payment, printed Bidding Documents will be sent via the prospective Bidder's delivery method of choice; the shipping charge will depend on the shipping method chosen. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office or designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website.
All Bids will be made on the basis of cash payment for such Work. The State of North Dakota, acting through the ND State Water Commission, reserves the right to award the Contract, if awarded, based on the lowest responsive Bid(s) that is in the best interest and most advantageous to the Owner, to reject any and all Bids, to consider other factors in selecting the Bid which is in the best interest of the Owner, and to waive any and all irregularities in any Bid. The Owner reserves the right to hold all Bids for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the date of the Bid opening to complete financial arrangements.
This Advertisement is issued by:
Owner: **North Dakota State Water Commission**
By: Reice Haase
Title: Secretary
Date: April 7th, 2026
4/9, 4/16, 4/23 - COL-ND-3179

Notice of Execution Sale

State of North Dakota
County of Burleigh
In District Court
South Central Judicial District
Case No. 08-2025-CV-00496
Capital Credit Union,
Plaintiff,
v.
Creek View Properties, LLC, Timothy P. Baldwin, Jr., Patrick W. Sherman, Sanjay C. Patel, Minnesota Hospital-ity, Inc., Gerald M. Thompson, Mad Cap Co LLC, Rashikant aka Rashmikhant Patel; and all persons unknown, claiming any estate or interest in, or lien or encumbrance upon, the real estate described in the complaint, Defendants.

NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

On March 6, 2026 in the County of Burleigh, State of North Dakota, in the above-entitled action, a Judgment, was entered providing that there was an amount due and owing to the Plaintiff in the sum of \$11,805,487.85 as of December 22, 2025, and by virtue of a special execution issued on the Judgment out of the office of the Clerk of said District Court, pursuant to which I will sell the real estate situated in Burleigh County hereinafter described to the highest bidder for cash, at public auction in the lobby of the Burleigh County Courthouse, 514 East Thayer Ave., Bismarck, ND 58501, on **May 13, 2026 at 1:15 p.m. CST**, to satisfy the amount due to the date of sale, or so much thereof as the proceeds of said sale applicable thereto will satisfy. The balance due on the Judgment for which execution has been issued is \$11,805,487.85. Interest accrues from and after December 22, 2025 at the rate of 8.00% per annum. The real estate to be sold as aforesaid, located in the County of Burleigh, State of North Dakota, is described as follows, to-wit: **Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 4, Meadowlark Commercial Seventh Addition to the City of Bismarck, Burleigh County, North Dakota.**

Dated at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 7th day of April, 2026.
BURLEIGH COUNTY SHERIFF
By: */s/ Kelly Leben*
Sheriff Kelly Leben
Burleigh County, North Dakota

By: */s/ Vern Yri*
Deputy Sheriff Vern Yri

Drafted by:
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 4/9, 4/16, 4/23 - COL-ND-3180

The Estate of Tommy J. Johnson
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Probate No. 08-2026-PR-00062
In the matter of the Estate of Tommy Johnson, Deceased, **NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BURLEIGH COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA.** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Administrator of the above estate. Pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 30.1-19-01, all persons having claims against the said Deceased are required to present their claims within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Cody Johnson, Administrator, 1322 N. 17th Street, Bismarck, ND 58501; Bormann, Myerchin, Espeseth, & Edison, LLP, Attorneys for Administrator, P.O. Box 995, Bismarck, ND 58502-0995; or filed with the Clerk of District Court P.O. Box 1055, Bismarck, ND 58502-1055.
4/2, 4/9, 4/16 - COL-ND-3142

SUMMONS
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
IN DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH
SOUTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT
CIVIL NO. 08-2026-CV-09095
Pearce Durick PLLC
Plaintiffs,
vs.
Jeffrey Allan Jangula and J and J Properties, Inc.,
Defendants,
THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend against the Complaint in this action, which is herewith served upon you. You are required to appear and answer or otherwise defend against the allegations set forth in the Complaint within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to appear and defend, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
Dated March 30, 2026.
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4/2, 4/9, 4/16 - COL-ND-3145

Legals

Bismarck Rural Fire (BRFD) Monthly Meeting
Notice is hereby given that the **BRFD Board of Directors will hold their monthly meeting, Thursday, April 16, 2026, at 7:30 PM at the Bismarck Rural Fire Hall, located at 5800 E. Main Ave, Bismarck, ND 58504, during which the regular business of the board will be conducted.**
4/9 - COL-ND-3124

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Falkirk Mining Company
Revision 39, Permit NAFK-9503
Application
Case No. RC-25-254
NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION APPROVAL
April 1, 2026
Preliminary Statement
On September 18, 2025, the Falkirk Mining Company filed the application for Revision 39 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-9503 to identify the coal removal areas for the next five-year permit term and update the introductory, legal, compliance, surface and coal interest and ownership, ground water hydrology, fish and wildlife resources, surface water information and monitoring plan, operation plans, blasting plans, extended mining plans, transportation facilities and surface water management information. Renewal No. 6 allows the Falkirk Mining Company to conduct mining and reclamation operations within the permit for another five-year permit term until April 17, 2031.
The Commission has completed its review of the application and conditionally approved the permit revision. The revision will give Falkirk Mining Company the right to modify the mining and reclamation plans in Permit NAFK-9503 as described in Revision 39.
Notice
Any person with an interest which is or may be adversely affected by this revision approval may request a formal hearing with the Commission within thirty days of the publication of this notice. The request should be addressed to the Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480. You may contact the Commission at the following telephone numbers: 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota TTY: 1-800-366-6888.
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Sheri Haugen-Hoffart, Commissioner
Randy Christmann, Chair
Jill Kingstad, Commissioner
4/9 - COL-ND-3162

Legals

The Estate of Peggy A. Freije-Ray
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Probate No. 08-2026-PR-00053
In the matter of the Estate of Peggy Freije-Ray, Deceased, **NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BURLEIGH COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA.** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. Pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 30.1-19-01, all persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Rebekka A. Freije, Personal Representative, 7885 56th Street, Stanley, ND 58784; Bormann, Myerchin, Espeseth, & Edison, LLP, Attorneys for Personal Representative, P.O. Box 995, Bismarck, ND 58502-0995; or filed with the Clerk of District Court P.O. Box 1055, Bismarck, ND 58502-1055.
3/26, 4/2, 4/9 - COL-ND-3111

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At the center

MFRC marks 45 years of service

BY PHAIDRA YUNKER
Reporter

Quiet conversation filled the halls of the McLean Family Resource Center on April 1 as Executive Director Lisa Gusewelle led visitors through the building she and her staff call home base.

During the first tour of the day, she walked Seth O'Neill and Victoria Jane Welk of the North Dakota Domestic and Sexual Violence Coalition past the pantry shelves, the common kitchen area and a hallway lined with inspirational quotes and planning boards. The tour continued through offices and the thrift store, where visitors paged through decades-old scrapbooks, before the group stopped to visit with local law enforcement officers, chatting over coffee and slices of cake as they marked the milestone together.

The all-day open house drew 47 visitors and marked 45 years since the organization first opened its doors April 1, 1981. The center, originally founded as McLean County Women's Outreach under director Rita Ruona, has served as a resource for survivors of domestic and sexual violence across the region since its earliest days.

The North Dakota Domestic and Sexual Violence Coalition, which O'Neill and Welk represent, is a statewide organization that supports local advocacy programs, provides training and technical assistance, and works to strengthen the statewide response to domestic and sexual violence.

The center began with a focus on supporting women experiencing violence in rural McLean County. Over the decades, its services expanded, and the organization became the McLean Family Resource Center, reflecting a broader mission to support survivors and families.

Gusewelle said recent changes have focused on reducing barriers for families seeking help. One of those changes involves access to food pantries.

"It used to be that there would be a scheduled time that the food pantry was open," she said. "Now there is access whenever it is needed. People just give us a call, and we will put together a box for them. They can pick it up on their own schedule."

The center also works closely with Child Protection Services to support children entering emergency situations.

"Children will leave a situation with literally nothing, not even clothing," Gusewelle said. "We set them up with proper clothing, toiletries, comfort items and a bag to put it all in."

MFRC now offers free support groups for survivors and their families. In Washburn, the group meets the first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. at the center. In Turtle Lake, the group meets the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Northland Health Center.

Gusewelle said the total number of survivors served over the center's 45-year history cannot be calculated because records are shredded after seven years, but she estimated the number is in the tens of thousands.

She said the open house offered time to reflect on the center's history and the people who shaped it.

"The day allowed me to set aside my work emails and some of those other commitments that get in the way of human connection and just focus on people and telling the story of MFRC. The people who were committed then, the people who are committed now and the people in between," she said.

She said many visitors shared memories of Jennel Olson, who worked at MFRC for 27 years, representing more than half of the organization's lifespan.

"Programs like MFRC are critical for rural communities," O'Neill said. "They serve as a lifeline for victims of domestic and sexual violence when there are often limited resources in their communities."

He said programs across the

state are seeing both an increase in the number of victims seeking help and an escalation in the severity of violence.

"Offenders are often using more severe violence to assert power and control over their victims," O'Neill said. "We are also seeing the number of victims our programs serve rise. On one hand, this means more people are seeking help, which is good, but it also likely means that rates of violence are increasing."

He said rural programs are a critical part of the statewide response.

"These issues happen everywhere across the state, not just in urban areas," he said. "Without rural organizations like MFRC, victims of violence would not have easy access to critical crisis and advocacy services."

O'Neill said MFRC's long-term presence has strengthened relationships with law enforcement, courts and other partners.

"The services that MFRC provides are interwoven into the fabric of the community," he said. "Collaboration with law enforcement, courts and other professionals are built on that foundation of trust that a long relationship provides."

The open house also served as a lead into the center's activities for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. MFRC plans to continue its support groups, host Coffee and Conversations events in Garrison, Riverdale and Underwood, provide bodysafety talks for elementary students, and hold a chalk walk ahead of its child sexual abuse prevention walk April 27.

After the last cups of coffee were poured and the remaining slices of cake were packed away, Gusewelle said the day felt like a reminder of why the center's work continues. For MFRC, the focus now turns back to the daily efforts that have carried it through 45 years: meeting people where they are and helping them take their next steps forward.

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sions include Beginner (ages 8-10), Junior (11-13), and Senior (14-18).

Bow divisions include Barebow, which uses no sights or release aids, and Freestyle, which allows sights and releases.

Results

In the **Senior Barebow Division**, Reagan Albert from Garrison took first place with a score of 283.

Other competitors from Ward County were Abrielle Michel of Berthold, Mindt and Clara Potts of Minot. The combined team of Albert, A Michel, Mindt, and Potts placed fifth with a combined score of 766.

Representing Ward County in the **Senior Freestyle Division** was Faith Carpenter of Granville, Teagan Strilcov, Breanna Mindt, Tyson Perdue, Madison Privratsky, Rachel Privratsky, Cole Whitcher, and Brandie Yoder of Minot, and Stetson Brandvold of Ryder. The team of Carpenter, Mindt, Strilcov, and Whitcher placed third with a combined score of 856.

In the **Junior Barebow Division**, Taryn Albert from Garrison took fifth place with a score of 272.

Public notices

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the McLean County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on April 20, 2026, at 1:30 P.M. in the Conference Room of the McLean County Courthouse (Ground Floor) at Washburn, North Dakota, for the purpose of hearing and considering all testimony regarding an application submitted by Frans Johan & Gertrudia Maria Uys of Underwood, North Dakota, requesting approval of a conditional use permit involving land located in W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 35, Township 146 North, Range 82 West. The above-named applicants seek approval of a conditional use permit to construct a non-farm structure on agricultural land.

(April 9 & 16, 2026)

Public Notice Of Joint Powers Agreement

NOTICE is hereby given that a Joint Powers Agreement between the Parshall Rural Ambulance District and the Three Affiliated Tribes is pending approval, pursuant to North Dakota Century Chapter 54-40.2. The Agreement has been approved by both governing bodies, and the purpose of the agreement is to exchange public property owned by the Parshall Rural Ambulance District, identified as the (Old Ambulance Building) in exchange for the Three Affiliated Tribes having provided funds to assist in equipping the new ambulance Building (New Ambulance Building). The Three Affiliated Tribes will be using the old ambulance building as a law enforcement sub-station, for police services to serve the residents of the City of Parshall and surrounding areas.

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 54-40.2-03.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, no final action on the Agreement may be made until the parties shall hold a public hearing prior to the submission of the agreement to the governor's office; at which place and time persons interested in the agreement may be heard. A copy of the agreement is available for public inspection at the New Ambulance Building located at 26 Main St. in Parshall, North Dakota.

The parties to the Joint Powers Agreement have set a hearing to be held at the Parshall Ambulance Building, located at 26 Main St. in Parshall, North Dakota on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 6:00p.m.

(April 9, 2026)

Notice of Permit Revision

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Falkirk Mining Company
Revision 39, Permit NAFK-9503
Application
Case No. RC-25-254
NOTICE OF PERMIT REVISION
APPROVAL
April 1, 2026
Preliminary Statement

On September 18, 2025, the Falkirk Mining Company filed the application for Revision 39 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-9503 to identify the coal removal areas for the next five-year permit term and update the introductory, legal, compliance, surface and coal interest and ownership, ground water hydrology, fish and wildlife resources, surface water information and monitoring plan, operation plans, blasting plans, extended mining plans, transportation facilities and surface water management information. Renewal No. 6 allows the Falkirk Mining Company to conduct mining and reclamation operations within the permit for another five-year permit term until April 17, 2031.

The Commission has completed its review of the application and conditionally approved the permit revision. The revision will give Falkirk Mining Company the right to modify the mining and reclamation plans in Permit NAFK-9503 as described in Revision 39.

Notice

Any person with an interest which is or may be adversely affected by this revision approval may request a formal hearing with the Commission within thirty days of the publication of this notice. The request should be addressed to the Public Service Commission, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480. You may contact the Commission at the following telephone numbers: 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota TTY: 1-800-366-6888.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Sheri Haugen-Hoffart, Commissioner
Randy Christmann, Chair
Jill Kringstad, Commissioner
(April 9, 2026)

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(April 9 & 16, 2026)

From the Front Pages
Central McLean
News-Journal

SIMULATOR TEACHES GOLFERS THE SCIENCE OF SWING

In a region where winter can feel like a season without end, Logan Staigle has carved out a warm, glowing patch of green. It sits tucked at the back of his Farmers Union Insurance office, in a space that once housed the local butcher shop. Today, it's home to Blue Cat Golf Simulator, a high-tech indoor golf bay that has quickly become one of Turtle Lake's most unexpected gathering spots. Staigle didn't set out to launch a new recreational hub. At first, he simply wanted a place to swing a club when the snow piled too high to see the fairway.



COUNTY EMPLOYEE USES NEW POLICY TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE AMBULANCE SERVICE

After the implementation of a new policy, the McLean County approved a county employee to utilize 40 hours of leave to volunteer on the ambulance service.

During the McLean County Commission meeting March 3, held at the courthouse in Washburn, Auditor Beth Knutson presented a formal request from Deputy Auditor Emily Retterath to utilize 40 hours of leave under the McLean County Policy 1301 – volunteer ambulance service participant.

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Notice Of Equalization Meeting City Of Benedict

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Benedict will meet as a Board of Equalization for the 2026 valuations on Monday, April 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Benedict City Hall.

Any taxpayer of the City of Benedict interested in the 2026 valuations will be heard at that time. In-person attendance is not required and appeals can be provided by phone, email, or letter. Please contact City Auditor, Amy Ones, at (701) 835-2254 or cityofbenedict@gmail.com no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 10, 2026 to appeal the valuation(s).

Persons requiring accommodations to attend, please contact the City of Benedict office at (701) 835-2254 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Amy Ones, City Auditor

(April 2 & 9, 2026)

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April 13, 2026

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