## **EVENTS CALENDAR**

#### Jan 26

Washburn First Lutheran Church Supper Sunday Supper 4 until 6 p.m. Free will donation.

## **ACADEMICS**

**University of Jamestown Dean's List** 

Molly Jennings, of Washburn, and Taryn Schurhamer, of Wilton, have been named to the Fall 2024 Dean's List at the University Jamestown. Students are named to the Dean's List when they earn a 3.5 GPA while taking at least 12 credit hours for the semester.

#### **Bismarck State College President's List**

"Achievements earned as a BSC student create a strong foundation for future career success by developing knowledge, skills and discipline. The dedication shown today paves the way for new opportunities and equips them to confidently face challenges in their chosen career path," says BSC Interim President Brent Sanford.

The following area students have maintained at least a 3.50 GPA on a 4.00 scale while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of classes and qualify for the BSC President's Honor Roll.

\*Designates a 4.00 GPA
Rose Vogle, Washburn,
Aisha Zaffino, Riverdale,
Nate Wolski, Washburn,
Kage Voigt, Washburn,
Tripp Olson, Underwood
Deon Ewine, Wilton
Victoria Kraft, Washburn\*
Gage Schuh, Wilton\*
Shane Biberdorf, Wing\*
Aaron Blumhagen, Washburn\*
Kevin Brunelle, Underwood\*
Harley Ternes, Washburn\*
Ryan Jaeger, Washburn\*

## Film Pursuit

### The fastest creature around

#### By Hunter Kamrath

"Sonic the Hedgehog 3" stars Jim Carrey, Ben Schwartz, Keanu Reeves, and Idris Elba. The film is rated PG.

One of the biggest surprise hits of the decade was the first of these "Sonic" pictures that was released in 2024. Each sequel has progressively made more money than its predecessor. Most of these stories feature meteorites crash landing on Earth that contain a hedgehog from another planet with each one having special abilities. Our main character, "Sonic," has the ability to run really fast.

This time, "Sonic" is joined by "Knuckles," who has super strength, and Miles "Tails" Prower who specializes in gadgets. These three are recruited by the government to take down a hedgehog named "Shadow." This character has been in prison since crash landing on Earth in 1974. He was thrown in a secret government facility shortly after his landing and is out for revenge for something that happened during



**Hunter Kamrath** 

his time at that facility.

The foe from the first two pictures, "Dr. Ivo Robotnik" is also in this film. He is once again played by Jim Carrey. Carrey also plays Ivo's grandfather "Professor Gerald Robotnik." Gerald teams up with Shadow as he was also working in the same facility that Shadow was held in. Carrey's two performances are the heart and soul of this movie. If you enjoyed his performance in the first two movies, you'll enjoy him here. There is lots of fun and corny humor throughout the film with Carrey embracing what makes him very popular. At times, I really liked the comedic relief overall, but there were other times that I found it to be a bit too much.

The other performances are pretty solid and make these larger-than-life stories very believable.

The story is simple but fun. The visual effects are solid and are consistent with the other films in the series. The movie is fast paced with a lot of action throughout.

I think this one continues the franchise well. The first two were fun, lighthearted movies that the whole family can have fun with. The filmmakers understand their target audience here. They know children have fun with these stories and they stay consistent with that formula.

Overall, I had fun with this fast-paced picture. It's consistent with the first two and it's a great way to escape for two hours.

If you and your family had fun with the first two films, you will enjoy this one also. There is lots of action, solid special effects, and good performances.

Overall score: 7/10

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## USE OF FLUORIDE IN CITY WATER

Dear Neighbors,

"And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." - Mark 12:30–31 (ESV):

A part of this wonderful Commandment is to when possible inform your neighbor about any potential harm and try to prevent that harm.

Due to new evidence on the potential dangers of adding fluoride to our drinking water, I am seeking at the February Washburn City Commission meeting to cease the practice. I would love to provide you with, and help educate on the scientifically sound evidence that led me to this conclusion. I would be honored if you would contact me with your opinion on the subject and if you would like to discuss evidence on the subject.

Thank you and God Bless,

Keith Hapip Jr. Washburn



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