

NEWS

Richland County Youth dominate at 4-H contests

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Reporter

Creativity, confidence and community spirit were on full display as Richland County 4-H members gathered for their annual Project EXPO, Communications Arts and Clothing Revue Contests recently at Richland #44 Senior High School.

Youth from across the county, ranging in age from cloverbuds to seniors, showcased their talents in categories such as public speaking, sewing, interpretive reading and hands-on project demonstrations.

The event provided a platform for 4-H members to express their individuality, build essential life skills and celebrate months of hard work and preparation.

“4-H contests give youth the opportunity to showcase their skills,” said Ronda Gripen-trog, Richland County 4-H Youth Development Extension Agent. “It’s not just about learning new skills but it’s about growing as individuals and making the best better!”

The Project Expo featured interactive displays in areas including agriculture, science and the arts. In the communication arts contest partic-

pants demonstrated their public speaking and present abilities.

The clothing revue gave youth the opportunity to model both sewn and purchased outfits building confidence and poise.

Judges praised participants for the depth of thought, attention to detail and craftsmanship evident in every entry.

“Each year I am amazed by the quality of projects,” said Gripen-trog. “Judges are continually impressed by the high level of quality in the projects and it’s truly inspiring to see them grow throughout the years.”

Winners from each category will go on to represent Richland County in upcoming competitions and will be recognized at future 4-H events.

The first place winners from Project EXPO, Clothing Revue and Communication Arts contest in the preteen category are: Olivia Hetland (Believers Club, Wyndmere), Project EXPO, Mariah Mumm (Helping Hands Club, Wahpeton), Project EXPO and Aurora LaTraille (Helping Hands Club, Wahpeton), Buy and Show (Clothing Revue Contest).

The first place winners from Project EXPO, Clothing Revue and Communication Arts

contest in the teen category are: Colton Dockter (Lucky Leaf Club, Colfax), Project EXPO and Gina Quamme (Helping Hands Club, Wahpeton), Buy and Show (Clothing Revue Contest).

The first place winners from Project EXPO, Clothing Revue and Communication Arts contest in the junior category are: Olivia Hetland (Believers Club, Wyndmere), Communication Arts (Interpretive Reading), Mariah Mumm (Helping Hands Club, Wahpeton), Illustrated Talk (Communication Arts) and Jolene Kern (Believers Club, Wyndmere), Demonstration (Communication Arts).

The first place winners from Project EXPO, Clothing Revue and Communication Arts contest in the senior category are: Ava Krier and Jaxon Krier (Believers Club, Wyndmere), Illustrated Talk (Communication Arts), Marisa Mumm and Gina Quamme (Helping Hands Club, Wahpeton), Commercial (Communication Arts), Cody Dotzenrod (Believers Club, Wyndmere), Prepared Speech (Communication Arts) and Gina Quamme (Helping Hands Club, Wahpeton), Communication Arts (Interpretive Reading).

“4-H is truly a family and community oriented program,” Gripen-trog added. “Youth are supported not only by their parents but also by grandparents, aunts, uncles and siblings who lend their time and skills

to encourage and help them.”

The annual event affirms Richland County 4-H’s commitment to helping youth develop leadership, communication and practical skills through hands-on

learning, mentorship and strong community engagement.

Gripen-trog expressed, “4-H is a great example of how families and communities come together to help young people grow and succeed.”



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Aurora LaTraille of Helping Hands Club in Wahpeton, won first place in the Buy and Show Clothing Revue Contest in the preteen category.

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meal-packing experience to communities across the state.

Each event is organized with care: volunteers set up an assembly line, put on gloves and aprons, and work together to fill, weigh, seal and pack the meals. It’s a meaningful, often eye-opening experience, especially for young people.

Beyond the practical task of assembling meals, the event is a powerful reminder of the struggles many face worldwide.

“I think the most meaningful moments for me are when I work with groups of young children. I show them a picture of a woman who is making little cakes of mud which are dried in the sun – this is to serve to her children,” said Andrea Eckstein of Mercy Meals. “It can be striking to see their reactions when they come to understand that there are children in the world that have real needs.”

The May 17 event at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 420 3rd Ave. N in Wahpeton, is still seeking

volunteers of all ages to help with packing. No experience needed, and all supplies will be provided.

The event offers a hands-on opportunity to make a real difference — with each meal costing just 25 cents to produce.

“This work reminds us we’re all part of the same human family,” said Eckstein. “We may not meet the people we serve, but the meals we send are a message of hope, compassion, and God’s love.”

To sign up or learn more about volunteering, contact Val Hauschild at 701-671-0616.

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“Our two main focus areas discussed were the urgent need to end child marriage and sex trafficking, and the ongoing fight to prevent violence against women,” said Jodi Beyer, board director. “We also raised funds for Zonta International, which are being used to support initiatives for women and girls around the world.”

Zonta International works globally, national-

ly, and locally towards a vision of a world in which women’s rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is empowered to reach her full potential — free from violence and inequality.

Key pillars of the organization include advocating for gender equality, ending gender-based violence, preventing the child marriage and expanding access to education.

The Breckenridge-Wahpeton Zonta Club supports local organizations

Someplace Safe and Three River Crisis Center through annual donations. The club also offers scholarships for women, volunteers in the community and provides feminine hygiene products to area schools and colleges. “The meeting was well attended, and the feedback has been very positive,” said Beyer. “It was inspiring to see so many passionate women come together to share ideas and reaffirm our mission to build a better world for women and girls.”

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Richland 44 School District
ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received for Elementary School Parking Lot Improvement Project for Richland 44 School District, located in Abercrombie, North Dakota. Bids will be received On-Line ONLY through QuestCDN vBid. Bids will be received by 11:00 AM (CDT) on May 13, 2025. Mailed or hand delivered bids will NOT be opened or considered. Please submit your bid for the project by the following:
1. Submitted through QuestCDN Online Bidding
All bids submitted will be opened and read aloud via video conference at 11:05 AM (CDT) on May 13, 2025. A link to attend the live video conference bid opening will be sent to all QuestCDN Plan Holders for this project. https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_ZDRmMWM2MDMlMmYzNi00ZjE3LWFhMmMlZDZiMmVlN1NjBl%40thread_v2/0?context=%7B%22Tid%22%3A%229d23d2a4-f51c-40f3-b5a0-a71abe26c14a%22%2C%20id%22%3A%225e564de5-1ce5-4861-814-b33681ea08d%22%2C%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3Atrue%2C%22role%22%3A%22a%22%7D&bytype=akrole-a
Digital copies of the Bidding Documents are available at www.interstateeng.com or www.questcdn.com for a download fee of \$37.00 and a QuestCDN On-Line Bid fee of \$42.00. These documents may be downloaded by selecting this project from the “Bid Documents” tab and by entering Quest Project Number 8247533, on the “Search Projects” page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at (852) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com. The bidding and contract documents may be examined at the Interstate Engineering, Inc. office located at 1909 4th Street North, Wahpeton, North Dakota, 58075. Any technical questions may be directed to Damon DeVillers at 701-642-5521 or damon.devillers@interstateeng.com. The bidding and contract documents may also be examined at the Richland 44 School District Office located at 101 Main Avenue, Colfax, ND 58018.
The project consists of the following approximate quantities:
1 LS Demolition of Structures
700 CY Crushed Concrete
2,120 SY Geotextile Fabric
1,025 LF Perforated PVE Pipe
3 LS Site Grading
1,700 TONS Commercial Grade Asphalt (Alternate)
Traffic Control and all miscellaneous work necessary therefore and incidental thereto. Each bid will be submitted on the basis of a cash payment for work. Bids submitted via QuestCDN On-Line Bid Only and shall be designated that the bid is for “Elementary School Parking Lot Improvement Project for Richland 44 School District, Abercrombie, North Dakota.” The bid shall be accompanied by a Bidder’s Bond submitted electronically on QuestCDN in the amount of five percent (5%) of the full amount of the bid, executed by the Bidder as Principal and by a Surety Company authorized to do business in North Dakota. If the Principal’s bid is accepted by the OWNER and the contract awarded, the principal, within ten (10) days after the Notice of Award, will be required to execute and effect a contract in accordance with the terms of the principal’s bid and any requirements and conditions of the Owner.
A Contractor’s Bond, as required by Section 48-01.2-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, shall be included with the executed Contract Documents. The Bid Security shall be as required in Section 48-01.2-05 of the North Dakota Century Code.
All bidders must be licensed for the highest amount of their bids, as required by Section 43-07.07 of the North Dakota Century Code and a copy of the license or certificate of renewal thereof issued shall be included electronically with the bid.
No bid will be read or considered which does not fully comply with the above provisions as to Bond and Licenses, and any deficient bid submitted will be resealed and returned to the Bidder immediately.
The OWNER retains the right to reject any or all of the bids submitted and to waive any informality in any bid and to hold all bids for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from said date of opening and to hold the three low bids and bid securities for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from said date of bid opening.
The work on the improvements is to commence upon a date to be specified by the OWNER, notice of which will be given to the successful bidder ten (10) days in advance of the start of construction. The Contractor will be required to commence construction and substantially complete all of the work for the project by the following dates:
Section 1: June 14, 2025
Section 2-4: August 1, 2025
By order of OWNER
RICHLAND 44 SCHOOL DISTRICT
ABERCROMBIE, NORTH DAKOTA
Britney Gandhi
Superintendent
Dated this 9th day of April 2025
Date: April 16, 23, 30, 2025
WDN001100

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
WATER PERMIT NO. 3008
TAKE NOTICE that the Department of Water Resources has initiated the cancellation process for a portion of Perfected Water Permit No. 3008 for three or more years of successive non-use. The permit is held by BOIS DE SIOUX GOLF CLUB, for the annual use of 15.0 acre-feet of water from the Red River for irrigation purposes. The authorized pumping rate is 600 gallons per minute. The priority date is November 29, 1977. The points of diversion are SE1/4 of Sec. 33, T. 133 N., R. 047 W., NE1/4 of Sec. 05, T. 132 N., R. 047 W., all of Richland County. The land irrigated under this permit is 35.7 acres in the NE1/4 and 5.6 acres in the SE1/4 all of Sec. 05, T. 132 N., R. 047 W., 4.9 acres in the SE1/4 and 6.5 acres in the SW1/4 of Sec. 33, T. 133 N., R. 047 W., all of Richland County.
The portion under consideration for cancellation is the point of diversion located in the SE1/4 of Section 33, Township 133 N., Range 47 W., Richland County.
TAKE NOTICE that written comments regarding the proposed cancellation must be filed in the North Dakota Department of Water Resources, 1200 Memorial Highway, Bismarck, North Dakota 58504-5262, by 5 o'clock p.m., on the 9 day of June 2025. The Department of Water Resources shall consider all written comments received and issue a final decision which will be provided to the permit holder and any person who filed written comments.
Dated at Bismarck, North Dakota, on March 28, 2025.
/s/ John Paczkowski, P.E.
North Dakota State Engineer
1200 Memorial Highway
Bismarck, ND 58504-5262
Date: April 23, 30, 2025
WDN001090

PUBLIC NOTICE
Vigesaa Notice
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BOTTINEAU COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA In the Matter of the Estate of Steven Vigesaa a/k/a Steven Trygve Vigesaa, Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Teri Vigesaa Personal Representative of the estate, at Krassin Law Office, 120 South First Street, Wahpeton, ND 58075, or filed with the Court.
Dated this 7th day of April, 2025
/s/ Teri Vigesaa,
Personal Representative
/s/ Don R. Krassin
Attorney for Personal Representative
120 South First Street
Wahpeton, ND 58075
701-642-4747
North Dakota License No. 03276
Email: don@donlaw.us
Krassin Law Office - April 1, 2025
Date: April 23, 30, May 7, 2025
WDN001111

PUBLIC NOTICE
Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State
Assumed Name | Certificate of Assumed Name
Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 333
1. List the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted: (Required)
The Testing Company
2. Principal Place of Business: (Required)
1425 Mendenhall Avenue
Breckenridge City
MN 56520
3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address: (Required) Note: A PO Box by itself is not acceptable. Attach additional sheet(s) if necessary.
Heidi Arnhalt Name
1425 Mendenhall Avenue Street
Breckenridge MN
56520
4. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.
/s/ Heidi Arnhalt
Signature
Heidi Arnhalt, Owner
Print Name and Title
Email Address for Official Notices
arnhalt@hotmail.com
Date: 3-6-25
Date: April 16, 23, 2025
WDN001093

PUBLIC NOTICE
Order Fixing Time and Place of Hearing
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Court File No. 39-2025-PR-00020
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RICHLAND COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET W. STOWE A/K/A MARGARET STOWE, DECEASED
ORDER FIXING TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING
1. The Petition of Lorinda Stowe and Cheryl Koch for Formal Probate of Will and Appointment of a Personal Representative having come before the Court;
2. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the 12th day of May, 2025, at 1:20 o'clock p.m. at the courtroom of said Court at the Courthouse in the City of Wahpeton, Richland County, North Dakota, be and the same hereby is set as the time and place for the hearing of said Petition, and any person interested may appear and contest said Will and may object to the appointment of the Petitioner as Personal Representative.
3. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petitioner give notice of said hearing in the manner prescribed by NDCC 30.1-03-01 to all persons entitled to notice pursuant to NDCC 30.1-15-03 and to all persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to NDCC 30.1-13-04.
Dated April 16, 2025.
BY THE COURT:
/s/ Bradley A. Cruff
Judge of the District Court
Date: April 23, 30, May 7, 2025
WDN001108

PUBLIC NOTICE
April 2025 Tax Equalization PUBLIC NOTICE
MOORETON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
The Mooreton City Annual Tax Equalization meeting was held on April 16, 2025 at 7:00 PM. Mayor Neil Klosterman, Council Thomas Brewer, Terrie Breuer, and Ashley Fudge were present. Additional present were Wendy Matejcek from county assessors’ office and Marlys Braun and Roberta Travis. Motion by Terrie Breuer to approve assessors report as presented. Motion seconded by Thomas Brewer and MC by roll call vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.
Jennifer Kjar, Auditor
Date: April 23, 2025
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