## Community Showcase of Upcoming Events

July 24: Fort Totten Little Theater presents "Legally Blonde" at 8 p.m. Roosevelt Park, Devils Lake. Purchase tickets in advance at www.forttottenlittletheatre.com or at the door. (Only 2 more performances remaining!)

July 25: Fort Totten **Little Theater** presents **"Legally Blonde"** at 8 p.m. Roosevelt Park, Devils Lake. Purchase tickets in advance at www.forttottenlittletheatre.com or at the door. (Only 1 more performance remaining!)

July 26: Market In The **Park** today! 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. under the big shelter at Roosevelt Park in Devils Lake! The Market runs Saturdays through Oct. 11. Interested in a table or booth at the Market? Call Mo at 351-3365

July 26: Fort Totten **Little Theater** presents "Legally Blonde" at 8 p.m. Roosevelt Park, Devils Lake. Purchase tickets in advance at www.forttottenlittletheatre.com or at the door. (This is the FINAL performance!)

July 26: Jamestown **Buffalo Days Car Show**, no entry fee, in McElroy Park 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Want to go? Leaving from River of Life frontage road at 9 a.m.

July 29: **Arts in the** 

doing her part to serve

**Park** presents **Destiny** 281, country, oldies, rockn-roll, gospel music 7 p.m. in Roosevelt Park. In addi**tion:** Non perishable food items will be collected at THIS event by the Lions and Kiwanis Clubs for distribution and donation locally to those in need.\*

Aug. 1: Ribbon Cutting **Celebration for Devils** Lake Collision & Glass 4 - 7 p.m. with Open House from 5 - 7 p.m. at Devils Lake Collision & Glass. Join us as we celebrate the opening of Devils Lake Collision & Glass! Stop by to check out our state-ofthe-art building and meet our team. (This event had

originally been scheduled for July 10)

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Aug. 2 - 3: The Museum in Burlington, ND features a Car and Tractor Etc. **Show** August 2-3.

Aug. 2: Bottineau Car **Show** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. no entry fee. Leaving from Devils Lake at 8:30 a.m. from frontage road by Cenex West.

Aug. 2: Minnewaukan

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\$25. Categories will be Best of Show, Most Original, Most Modified and Oldest. Registration fee includes one meal ticket and drink token. Registration 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cars will then be parked on Main Street with viewing until 7:30 p.m. and then at that time winners will be announced. If you want to be in the parade, be here no later than 3:30 p.m. \*In case of inclement

**Car Show** 4 p.m. to 7:30

p.m., registration fee is

weather, Arts in the Park moves to KC Hall in downtown Devils Lake.

Question? Your event wasn't in this listing?

their FaceBook page at

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Maybe no one sent it in to us! If your club, church or

organization has an event you would like us to feature in this Community Showcase of events, please send it by e-mail to loleson@ *cmpapers.com or by US* Mail to The Devils Lake Journal, 516 4th Street NE, Devils Lake, ND 58301.

**Deadlines:** For the Tuesday Devils Lake Journal, we need all information in no later than 10 a.m. the Friday before that issue comes out. For the Thursday Devils Lake Journal, we need all information in no later than 11 a.m. the Tuesday before that issue.

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ing time with loved ones. Candace is also involved with Ramsey County 4-H and the VFW Auxiliary to Post 756 in Devils Lake.

Candace hopes to leave a positive impact

production," Phillips said

of the growing interest in

Heaton said he already

has offers from three dif-

ferent companies to buy

carbon credits generated

by the project, but said

it will take time for both

this type of carbon credit

generation and the volun-

tary carbon market itself

to mature to really make it

"The voluntary carbon

market is not very high

but it'll probably come

around in time once we

Heaton said. "There's

always been a question

about the ability of range-

long-term, and that's what

Carbon market do or

land soil to store carbon

this study would help."

A big factor will be

credits, with scenarios

prices will look like in

In 2024, Bloomberg

jected that by 2050, car-

New Energy Finance pro-

bon credits could balloon to \$238 per metric ton on

the high end, or stagnate

to settle at just \$14 on the

A new project Phillips is

now launching on her own

land near Hazelton, North

Dakota, aims to dupli-

low.

future demand for carbon

widely divergent on what

understand a little more,"

right now, per metric ton,

**Carbon** 

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the project.

viable.

our veterans and their families across the state and continue to impart a sense of pride for this organization and what it

represents. Candace is looking forward to her year as North Dakota's 2025-2026 American

Legion Auxiliary Depart-

cate what was learned in McKenzie. The hope is to solidify data backing the practices and their potential for storing more carbon in the soils and grasses under the hooves of cattle.

Using rotational, managed grazing practices means moving cattle from one paddock to another throughout the year so they don't overgraze on a particular spot. This allows the grasses and other plants to both diversify and recover.

"If you leave the animals and don't manage them in any way and let them graze as much as they want, they tend to graze out their favorite species," Phillips said during a visit to her project near Hazelton. "That makes it harder for that pasture to come back and recover that sea-

son before winter." Recovery and increased diversity lead to greater carbon sequestration, particularly later in the season after plants have a chance to grow back, she said.

While grazers like cattle remove carbon as they eat, the rotational, managed grazing practices increase the carbon input into the soil compared to a more hands-off approach, she said.

"This is more of the bison roaming sort of idea where bison would come in and graze intensively, then the whole herd would

ment President.

The mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad.

move on, keep going and going, and then that would give the grass a chance to recover," she said.

Those roaming bison were once a key part of the ecosystem across the feeding off grasses that for the rich, biodiverse soils and grasses in these regions.

Measuring the impact of the projects requires sophisticated and expensive equipment for continuous data gathering, making it paramount that carbon pricing is eventually robust enough to entice ranchers and partners to gather data from these practices.

Getting that data piece right is extremely important, Phillips said. She other ranchers, but also sees hesitation because of all the unknowns and complications.

"What we're trying to do is give them the straight story, and one that's not coming from someone that wants to buy or sell them anything," Phillips said. "We want to give them the information to take with them."

Other value increases

Great Plains and Midwest, helped lay the groundwork

sees interest growing from

That said, there are other impacts from the projects besides generating carbon credit that also bring value, Heaton said. One thing is the

increased productivity more pollinators. The National Audubon

of the land from rotating cattle, he said, allowing ranchers to run more animals on the land.

"You are able to increase your productivity quite a bit, in addition to building your soil organic matter and sequestering the carbon," Heaton said. "It's not a fast process, but after a few years, you really notice it. You've got a lot better drought resistance. Your water infiltration is quite a bit better. You get a lot more use out of what nature has when you do that."

Another impact he's seen is increased cattle health.

The health benefits are quite a bit better when you rotate a lot and move from paddock to paddock," he said.

Heaton said he's seen growing interest from other ranchers, but these practices take a bit of a learning curve as well as more infrastructure with pastures and water systems that allow for the rotation.

There are also other opportunities to leverage better conservation practices through rotational grazing and market beef in a myriad of ways besides just grass-fed or grassfinished, which is growing in consumer awareness.

The increased diversity of grasses and native plants, for instance, can attract more birds and

Legion Auxiliary." To invite Candace to a veterans-focused event in your area of the state, she can be reached at president@ ndala.org. If you would like to

donate toward Candace's President Projects, please

Society has certification

labeling for "bird-friendly

beef," which could be a

spin-off possibility from

**Grazing Lands Coalition** and given talks about the nexus between cattle health and human health

these projects. "You get the full growth back there again and it makes for great nesting cover for birds and other wildlife until the following spring," Heaton said.

"I think with just about all of our places we have honey bees on them, and they prefer that kind of rotational system because their honey production is really good," he added, noting that he sees more varied stages of blooming throughout the seasons

Kalie Rider, a nutritionist who lives on her brother's regenerative ranch near Trenton, said she also sees Phillips research as a "necessary way forward" to show that cows are part of the carbon cycle and that ruminants are meant to be on the land.

"The opposite is what's being pushed right now in the mainstream media and with certain policies that say we need to get cows off the land," she said. "But it's one of those things where cows can degrade land or they can make it epically better, and we need those distinctions being made.'

For the past decade, Rider has also worked with the North Dakota and the growing consumer interest in that.

Projects like what Phillips is developing that add layers of value - carbon sequestration, soil health, species diversity, bird and pollinator increases, increased productivity - all potentially create a higher nutritional profile for the beef produced on that land.

"If we can prove the value that's added from the human health side, when our human health across the world is deteriorating, and prove that grass-fed ruminant animals are a huge benefit to human health, then it all makes sense, and it's all just working with nature to let nature do its thing," Rider said. "We eat the cows that are managed correctly, and we reap the health benefits."

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