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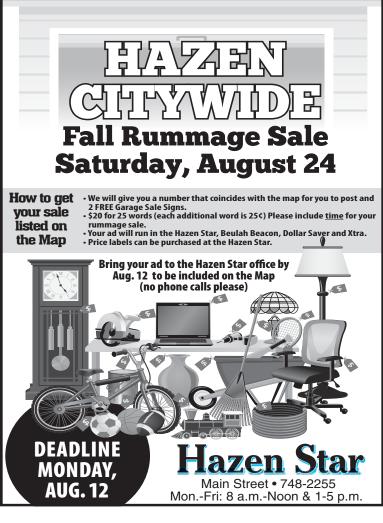
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Stanton's angels: Ladies' motorcycle run coming this weekend

By Diane Newberry

Stanton might be a tad bit louder this weekend. Starting Friday night, the town will be hosting the 32nd Annual ND Ladies Run, the longest running women-only motorcycle gathering in North America. The run began in the late 80's with groups of 9-20 motorcycle-wielding women and has grown over the years.

According to organizer
Tanya Gerving, they expect between roughly 175-200 women
to attend this year and will
have women coming from as
far away as Colorado, Arizona
and Florida. A resident of Stanton, Gerving was glad to play
host to the event.

"The little town of Stanton

has everything we need to host it," Gerving said.

The festivities will commence on Friday night with a street dance that is open to the public in downtown Stanton. On Saturday, the women will take a group picture at Knife River Indian Villages and go on a run to Riverdale, Washburn and back again.

On Saturday night, the women will have a "Dress the Decade you Were Born" dance. Registration for the non-public events is still open at ndladiesrun.org. The fee is \$65.00.

The stated goal of the run, as outlined on their website, is "to make the public aware that women ride" and "to encourage other ladies who want to ride."



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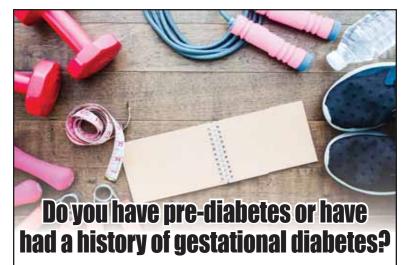
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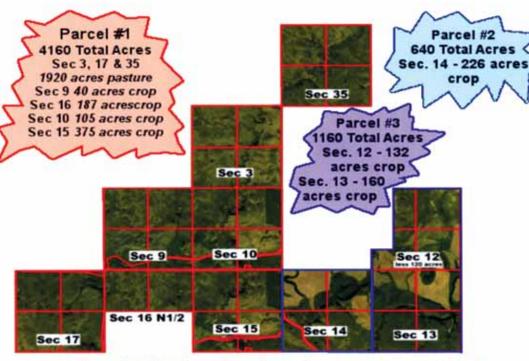
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Festival of fun and significance in Riverdale

By Daniel Arens

While it is a small community, Riverdale is alive and vibrant, and residents flocked together to celebrate what it has to offer.

On Saturday evening, Knights Coliseum hosted the annual Riverdale Summerfest, which was sponsored by Vital Friends of Riverdale/Pick City Ambulance. The event helps raise funds for the small Riverdale Ambulance Service, which has seen some milestone achievements over the past year.

"I think it went great," Robin Lagunas, Riverdale Ambulance co-manager, said. "It was one of the most memorable ones, for sure."

Memorable was the key word for this year's event, which saw some major changes from the past. While the meal has always been served, previous events saw a single band performing during the evening. This year, there were a variety of events packed into the busy night, all of them fun but some with an added level of meaning.

Very significant to those who came out was the American flag presentation by VFW

out of Minot. The presentation, including a performance of the National Anthem and other patriotic music, stirred the crowd, even before the Missing Man Table ceremony was held honoring those veterans who could not be present with their families, but are still remembered.

The ceremony was followed by a tribute to the staff and emergency medical providers with Riverdale Ambulance, a well as recognition of those who served in the fire department, police and armed services. This was highlighted by a showing of the video "God made an EMT".

In total, about 300 people came out to attend the event, a number exceeding the official 2010 census of the community.

The Summerfest kicked off at 5 p.m. with a pulled pork supper, complete with all the sides and desserts you could want. A silent auction was also held throughout the evening as well, featuring a wide variety of different donated items people could bid on. Lagunas said about \$12,600 was raised from the meal tickets and auction.

At 6 p.m., the entertainment began, with Natalie Eslinger singing and playing on her



Photos credit of Daniel Arens

A special "Missing Man Table" ceremony was put on by members of the Minot VFW branch during the Riverdale Summerfest raising money for the local ambulance service.

oke "Funytyme" closed out the

"We really changed it up

this year," Lagunas said, add-

wanted to do more than just

the dinner and live music. It

was also a change from the

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acoustic guitar. This was followed at 7 by a comedy performance by Diane Eslinger, a stand-up comedian who goes by the name "Idiot on the Prairie".

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Hazen Public School District is searching for the following three positions:

- full-time evening custodian in the high school building with hours during the school year from 3:00 PM to 11:00 PM,
- full-time day custodian in the high school with hours from 7:30 AM to 4:00, and
- part-time custodian in the middle school. This 20 hours a week position has flexible hours during the school year which can be worked between 3:00 PM and 11:00 PM.

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A mid-summer night's scream

The summer when I was eleventeen, I began to take notice of things. Things like my sneakers would be charmed to see the end of summer, when I'd get a new pair for school. And, that no matter how much I hated school, by mid-summer I had developed much the same condition I suffered on the second day of school. Yes, I had a severe case of boredom.

Shrinks won't admit it but boredom is really an unrecognized form of mental illness. Sort of the gateway to depression, anxiety followed by the development of socio and psychopathic tendencies. In some cases, it leads to people picking up an axe and bludgeoning the people around them. Man, I sure get tired of doing the same old thing week after week here.

Recognizing the need to stay somewhat, shall we say, four-square with the world, I learned early the value of self-medication, which simply involved thinking of creating ways to avoid boredom, while avoiding doing any work. Since we were in the stage where we were simply watching the garden grow and the chickens get fat enough to butcher in the fall, even Mom struggled to find things for me to do. At least not any things that needed doing right that day and might be forgotten tomorrow.

My father, tired of my being a big sissy who was afraid of the dark, had decided a year prior to take the matter in his own hands. Thus, he took my arm in his hand, shoved me out the front door at full-dark with his best advice. "Don't worry, Son. There's nothing in the dark worse than you are." And he closed the door and left me trembling on the front porch. After watching the moon come up and fade away before the sunrise, I realized he was right. There was nothing in the dark worse than I was. I have been ever grateful to my dad for that and, quite frankly, I learned to do some of my best work in the dark where I always felt I had an



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advantage. Just keep telling yourself, "There's nothing worse than me out there."

I tied all that together for a reason. While other kids were home in bed, I'd be out practicing not being afraid of the dark. Sometimes my family was aware of my nocturnal wanderings, other times not. But, even the nighttime can get boring. You can only sneak up on so many owls, and scare the bejeebers out of so many wandering cats before that gets old. There just isn't that much going on most nights. So, you have to get creative.

Now my folks had ranched for years in a place known for an abundance of rattlesnakes. While my Mom was known for never slowing down for a rattler and favored giving them a good whack with her ever-present hoe, Dad was a horse of another color. Turns out, he had a little tinge of yellow when it came to rattlers, and I can only assume his father had failed to ease him through his fear of them. Maybe Grandpa should have thrown him in a pit full of rattlers and hollered, "There's nothing in a den of rattlers worse than you are, Son!"

Having seen him react to the buzz of those flying grasshoppers, an idea began to take form in my head. Later on, I would realize that although the head-bone and butt-bone are not directly connected, there's an expectation.

Now a goal without a plan is simply a wish. So, I needed a plan. My plan called for a little prep work. So, one day I ran into the house hollering like crazy, "Rattler, rattler, I just saw a rattler go down the outhouse hole!"

My mother "poo-pood" that, but Dad suggested

she might go out and sort of check it out. So, hoe in hand we went out there and looked around good but found no trace of a rattler. Dad looked at me and demanded I describe what I'd seen. Never having actually seen a rattler, other than in pictures, I thought I did a pretty good job but time would be the judge of that.

One thing that did have a regular nightly occurrence was Dad's trip to the outhouse mentioned earlier. I'd slipped out earlier, unforeseen and quietly, to close out my plan. I waited until Dad was surely comfortable and sneaked up on the outhouse, clothespin and rubber band buzzer in one hand, forked tongue willow stick in the other. I wound up that buzzer (saw that in a book in the library at school. The 1950's Internet) and let her rip. The outhouse door flew open and when the old man came hurrying out, I reached out and jabbed him in the leg with that forked willow stick. The neighbors reported the next day that there had been some confusion about whether it was a fox or a young girl that screamed that mid-summer's night.

Everyone laughed later and no one believed the rattler story, minus any snake, snake bite or other evidence. There was a trial based solely on circumstantial beliefs that I was someway tied to the whole incident and, for a day or so, I felt like my butt-bone had been rearranged to fit to my head bone. As a result, my head-bone no longer saw my butt-bone doing anything like that again.

I did, however, make summer boredom, at least for a while, easier to live



