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FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR

It’s fall again in the MonDak. Daylight hours are shorter, nighttime weather is cooler, but the MonDak Heritage Center remains busy, busy, busy.

Our Fall Art Classes have begun. The September schedule was packed with classes and the turn-out was terrific. The October schedule will be available by the time you receive this, so don’t delay signing up for any class that interests you as space is limited and many classes fill up quickly.

The Northeastern Arts Network schedule of events began on Sept 20th with the Montana Repertory Theater - we hope you didn’t miss their performance. October 6th brings John Roberts Y Pan Blanco with our 8th Annual Oktoberfest the following day with a second performance by this talented group. We look forward to the return of Fubuki Daiko on November 10th and 11th for two nights of amazing performances.

The MDHC has been undergoing a remodel of the Roger Johnson Family Gun Collection exhibit and invite you to take a look downstairs on your next visit. Thanks to B&B Builders and Prairie Electric for their work on this exhibit.

The gift shop has many great new items including a number of new books and a number of new items from area artists and artisans. Don’t forget the reprints of *Courage Enough I & II* are available (and we can ship them as well) and *Sidney—Images Of America* is also available (we carry *Glendive—Images Of America* also).

Thanks as always for your support of the MDHC and our mission.

Joe Bradley - Interim Executive Director



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8TH ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST

Friday, October 7th at 7pm

Our Annual Oktoberfest is a fundraising event for the MonDak Heritage Center and the Northeastern Arts Network. Proceeds from this event provide funding for the continuing presentation of live music at the MonDak Heritage Center and area schools by MDHC & NAN.



We would like to thank this years sponsors: Stockman Bank, Blue Rock Distributing, and TS Laurens of Redneck Meats.

This years entertainment will be John Roberts Y Pan Blanco. Y Pan Blanco is an original sound ensemble that is designed to make the audience move. They are melding high energy, danceable Funk, African and Salsa grooves with blistering instrumental solos, all aimed at sharing musical diversity with the audience. With an incredibly energetic band of high level musicians, John Roberts brings many years of national and international touring, recording and performing experiences to this family-friendly band.

Tickets may be purchased now at the MonDak, \$45 for members and \$55 for non-members. Memberships can be purchased with tickets to take advantage of the reduced price.



WILLISTON AREA VISUAL ARTISTS SHOW

October 4th - November 5, 2016

WAVA (Williston Area Visual Artists) formerly known as the Prairie Painters was organized in 1967 to support artists and the arts. The continuing purpose of Williston Area Visual Artists is to provide a nurturing and supportive environment by which artists will feel inspired and encouraged and thereby further enhance the enthusiasm of the art community.

They meet the third Wednesday of the month at the James Memorial Art Center in Williston, ND to talk about group business, upcoming showings and art education. They accept all levels of artist and many different mediums to where anyone and everyone is accepted and given positive input on their art. They have a varied membership of artists including acrylic, oil, pastel and watercolor artists but also including metal, fabric and tattoo artists.



Blue Ticked by Daphne Johnson Clark

26TH ANNUAL MINIATURE ART SHOW

November 9th - January 14th, 2017

The 26th Annual Miniature Art Show is one of the most anticipated shows the MonDak hosts each year. The eye for detail and the ability to produce the vision that the artists do on such a small scale is amazing. Closely inspect each work and see how every painting stands the closest inspection and you will appreciate the intricacy and exquisite detail of this art form. The main principle ruling miniature art is that in miniaturizing the subject, the artist maintains the balance and proportion of the subject. Therefore, the painting must not only stand up to close inspection, but also be attractive when viewed from reasonable distance.

Two-dimensional works are limited to a maximum of 5" x 7", and many artists showcase talents on far smaller canvases. The exhibit includes oil, watercolor, acrylic and mixed media.

Subject matter of the pieces can range from landscapes, animals, still life and abstracts.

In years past, this show has included art from all over the United States and throughout the world. We look forward to another exceptional showing.



2015 1st place winner :
"Canyon Country Retreat" by Linda Rossin

THE GRAVEYARD SPEAKS: THE PATHOS OF GHOST TOWN CEMETERIES

October 1st - December 1, 2016



This exhibit explores the final page of our ineluctable passage. In his travels throughout Montana and other western states to old mining camps and ghost towns, black and white photographer Lee Silliman seeks out their abandoned cemeteries, for these hallowed grounds are a palpable record of the former community's struggle for life. He ferrets out those monuments – stone and wooden – which reveal our forebears' tribulations, as well as their fervent hopes for eternal reunion with loved ones. All too often children's headstones dot the enclosure, for until the last 100 years, humankind marshaled but feeble resistance to the onslaught of childhood diseases. Indeed, the expressions of grief chiseled upon the multitude of headstones of deceased children are most heartrending – and there was no balm.



By utilizing an 8"x10" view camera loaded, by making nuanced 8"x10" contact prints in his own darkroom, and by framing these results in his own picture frame shop, the photographer has sought to create an poignant union of art and history.

This show is sponsored by Montana Art Gallery Directors Association.

MONDAK CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 4th 1:30 - 3:00 pm



This year's MonDak Christmas will be Sunday, December 4th. Join us for a relaxing afternoon of music, friendship, and refreshments in the busiest time of the year. As in years past there will be a bake sale with a wonderful array of Christmas goodies, breads, cookies and jellies. All of the delicious items offered on the bake sale are provided by the generous members of the MonDak who enjoy baking and preserving. So if you like to bake please consider providing a plate or two for the sale.

There might even be a special visit from a "jolly old soul". Our photographer will be here to take photos with the special visitor. The photos are free and we email you the image to print as many as you like.

Entertainment is also on the agenda for the afternoon.

We will again be partnering with Boys & Girls Club on their annual Parade of Trees event on Saturday, November 28th. The trees will be on display through MonDak Christmas.

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