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FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR

BY DAN KARALUS

Summer is one of the busiest times of year at the MonDak, and this year is no exception. Thanks to the dedication of our staff, board members, and volunteers, we had another successful Burgers, Brews, & Blues in June. Our Summer Art Camps and Art Walk are in full swing. We have two amazing exhibits, the *Cockerline Collection* and *Finding Riches in the Richland*, in our art galleries. And we will welcome Jessie Veeder on July 28 and Orchard Fire on August 23 to bring more live music to you and the community! Read all about it on the next few pages, and please take some time to join us for these exciting exhibits and shows. We thank you for your support!

In addition, we continue to work to find ways to preserve and promote local arts, culture, and heritage. One way we plan to do this is through our newsletter, by offering more stories, pictures, and information that highlight the unique history and character of Sidney and nearby communities. We started by giving the MDHC newsletter a name: *The MonDak Beat*, reflecting the MonDak's connection to music, news and storytelling, and, of course, regional agriculture. And inside this issue you will find a story about the Fairview Old Timer's Reunion written by our research volunteers, a brief look at local cinema from 50 years ago, and some notes about one of the unique items from our collections. Expect more content in future issues.

We also plan to make some updates to our permanent exhibits to bring MDHC members, community residents, and visitors the chance to see more of the history of the region. As we gear up for those projects, be on the look out for the chance to share your ideas with us. We value your input, and aim to make visits to the MonDak rewarding experiences for as many individuals as possible.



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Enjoy the summer!

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Have a great story about local history or arts to share in our newsletter? Please contact us to contribute!

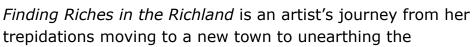
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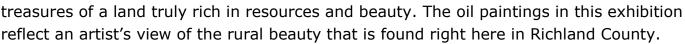


COCKERLINE COLLECTION:
PRINTS OF THE 60S, 70S, AND 80S
JUNE 15TH - AUGUST 15TH

The Cockerline Collection offers a portal into the art history, pop culture, and political climate of the 60s, 70s, and 80s. Many printmakers of the time drew influence from current events, including Apollo 11's moon landing, racial divisions, the allure of celebrities, opposition to the war in Vietnam, and the Feminist Movement. The traveling show at the MonDak consists of 35 prints from different artists, including: Robert Rauschenberg, Andy Warhol, and Eduardo Paolozzi.

FINDING RICHES IN THE RICHLAND PAIGE BRISCOE JULY 5—AUGUST 26







JESSIE VEEDER—COMING HOME (MUSIC AT THE MONDAK)
JULY 28, 7:00 P.M.

Folk artist Jessie Veeder comes to the MonDak for an acoustic performance and stories and readings from her book *Coming Home*. The show features stories, music,

and photographs based on Jessie's experiences at her family farm in Watford City, North Dakota. FREE to the public! Free will donation suggested. Donations support programs, exhibits, and collections preservation at the MonDak.

ORCHARD FIRE (MUSIC AT THE MONDAK) AUGUST 23, 6:00 P.M.

A new breed of country music burning its way into the heart of America. The MonDak welcomes the Nashville band Orchard Fire for a special back-to-school concert. FREE to the public! Free will donation suggested.



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MDHC ANNUAL MEETING MEAGHER OF THE SWORD—NEAL LEWING SEPTEMBER 10. 2:00 P.M.

Join MDHC for *Meagher of the Sword*, a living history performance by Neal Lewing, a presentation in story, in

folklore, music, and his own words, of Thomas Francis Meagher, Montana's first Territorial Governor. *Meagher of the Sword* is the feature presentation for the Annual Meeting of the MonDak Historical & Art Society, which includes board member elections, an annual report on the state of the MonDak, and refreshments. FREE to the public! Find more information about our Annual Meeting and board member elections on Page 4 of this newsletter.



9TH ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 7:00 P.M. FEATURING: TWIN KENNEDY



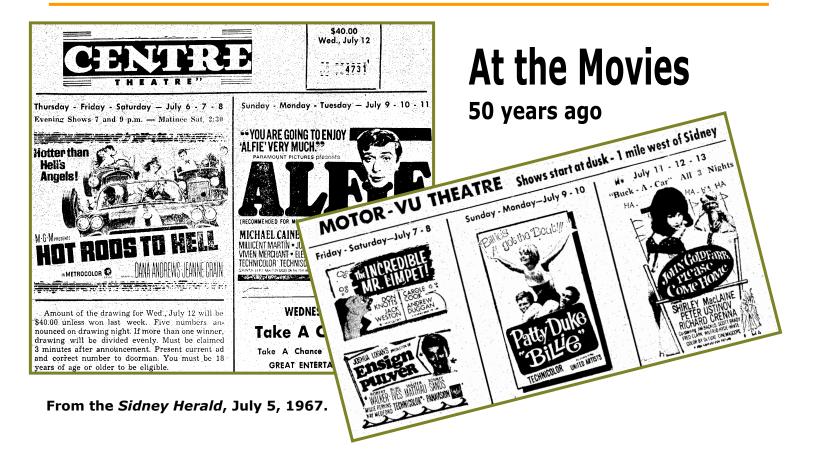
The MonDak Heritage Center and Northeastern Arts Network present the region's premiere Oktoberfest! This year's celebration features music by

Twin Kennedy, unmatched beer selections by Blue Rock Beverage Company, and brats by Redneck Meats. Tickets are \$55/person or \$45 for MDHC members and NAN season ticket holders. Tickets include admission to the event and performance and delicious food. Proceeds support the continuation of live music at MDHC and area schools and communities. Oktoberfest sells out quickly so get your tickets today!

JULY 19

<u>Community Pint Night at the Meadowlark Public House</u>. \$1 from every beer sold goes to the MonDak Heritage Center. Find us there from 4pm—10pm. A great way to support two local organizations at the same time!

Back in the Day



Annual Meeting

In accordance with our bylaws, the Annual meeting of the MonDak Historical & Art Society, (the organization that operates MDHC) will be held on Sunday, September 10 at 2:00 p.m.

The Annual Meeting will include: annual reports from the President and Executive Director on the past year; information on upcoming events, projects, and plans; the *Meagher of the Sword* program by Neal Lewing (see page 3); and the opportunity for MDHC members to participate in board member elections.

The terms of four board members expire this year, so if you are interested in serving on the board please contact us at (406) 433-3500 or mdhc@richland.org. The board welcomes fresh ideas and new faces. Joining the MDHC board is a great way to contribute to Sidney and other local communities in and around Richland County and have fun at a variety of events, programs, and exhibits!

Recent Happenings

Over the past few months we celebrated the MonDak's 50th birthday, launched the 2017 Summer Art Walk, enjoyed The Shuffle Bums at the Third Annual Burgers, Brews, & Blues, and connected visits and MDHC members to the arts and local history through other programs, exhibits, research resources, and events. Thank you for supporting us!







[Clockwise from Top Left] The Shuffle Bums performing at BBB on June 17; the MDHC 50th Birthday Party on May 26; the fifth stop on our first Summer Art Walk of the 2017.

July & August Art Camps



\$50 per child(\$45 for members)

for one week of camp, which includes four days of camp instruction and an Art Show and Artists' Reception on Friday evening at 6-7pm.

Ages 10+: July 10th-13th, 9am-12pm.

Ages 8-10: July 17th-20th, 9am-12pm.

Ages 6-8: July 24th-27th, 9am-12pm.

Ages 0-6: Aug 28th-31st, 10am-12pm.*

*Must be accompanied by parent/guardian



Exclusive Summer Camp activities include:

*Original lesson plans *Learning creative terms, techniques, and processes

*Outside play when appropriate *Daily snack time

*Art Walk and reception in collaboration with local businesses

*Display of completed projects in the community for one week

*Access to lesson plans and materials used for adult classes at a fraction of the cost!

Space is limited. Sign up today!
Call (406) 433-3500 or visit mondakheritagecenter.org/education

September Art Classes



Tuesday, September 5 6:00 p.m.

<u>Candle Carving Class</u>: Create and carve your own drip candles! Ages 8+.

\$25

Thursday, September 7 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Glass Fusion—
Pehble Bowl Class:



<u>Pebble Bowl Class</u>: Create an adorable

Create an adorable 6" "frit ball" bowl! All ages welcome!

\$35



Tuesday, September 12 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. Glass Fusion—4" Night Lights Class:

All ages welcome! **\$25**

Thursday, September 14 6:00 p.m.

Candle Dipping Class:

Make a candle using old methods—with beautiful rainbow results!
All ages welcome!

\$25

After-School Enrichment

<u>Each Wednesday, September 6—October 11</u>
Paint, sculpt, draw, learn, and imagine in our after-school art classes!

Ages 6+

\$50 for a six-week program **\$45** for MDHC members!

Tuesday, September 19 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Antiqued Mercury Mirrored Glass Class:

Recreate the look of antique mirrored glass.

\$15



Tuesday, September 26 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

<u>Clay Garden Gnome Class</u>: Create and glaze an adorable clay garden gnome! All ages welcome!

\$25

Thursday, September 28 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Pottery Glazing Class:

This is your opportunity to glaze any clay creations you have created, or glaze an entirely new piece! We have vases, coffee mugs, dishes, plates, and many other options! \$25

To register: Call MDHC at (406) 433-3500 or visit mondakheritagecenter.org/education Payment required upon registration. Adult beverages welcomed, but not provided.

Class schedules subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

Research Spotlight

Fairview Old Timer's Reunion by the MDHE Volunteers



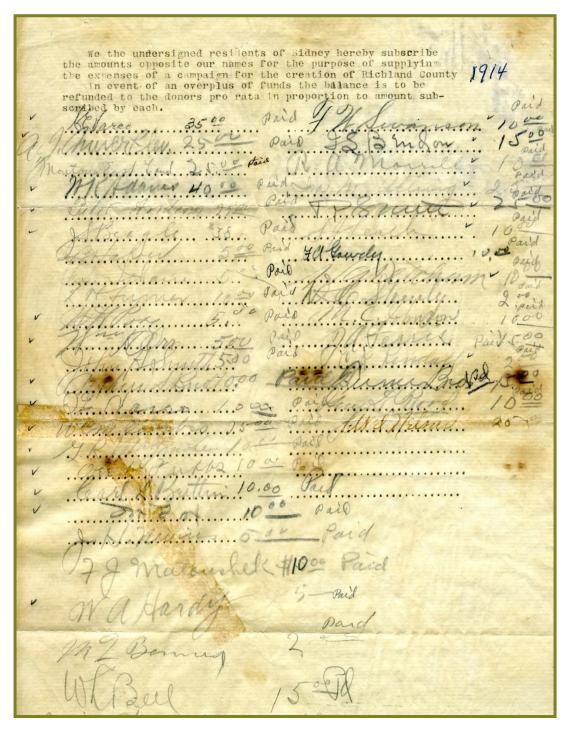
Fairview Old Timer's Reunion buttons from the MDHC Collections

The first Fairview Old Timer's Reunion was organized in 1946. Walter Lanouette and Roy Collins were the ones who headed it up. Both were leading horsemen and flag bearers for several years in the parade.

This annual event in July brings former residents to Fairview each summer for a day of remembering and visiting with old friends and neighbors. The day is filled with several activities, including: a kids parade, a free meal in the park, and a big parade.

This year a slide show is being presented by Margaret Flynn from 4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 15 at St. Catherine's Catholic Church. This is such an awesome opportunity to view pictures of past Old Timer's Reunions and bring back memories.

From the Collections



The original petition for the creation of Richland County, 1914. The petition includes 40 signatures with pledges ranging from \$5 to \$35. Local residents also used the document to track when petitioners paid their shares.

36TH ANNUAL QUILT & NEEDLEWORK SHOW AUGUST 29—SEPTEMBER 30

Explore the 36th Annual Quilt & Needlework Show at the MonDak! The show is one of our most colorful annual exhibits and features dozens of quilts and needlework from local and regional quilters, crafters, and artists. Marvel at the fine detail of each piece and vote on your favorites. Prizes awarded to the top three vote getters in the People's Choice Awards: \$50 for First Place, \$30 for Second Place, and \$20 for Third Place. Everyone is welcome to enter items at no charge. Please bring your entry to the MonDak by August 22 to ensure inclusion in the show.



Plus, visit on Saturday, September 23 for hands-on activities! Join us from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to

complete your unfinished projects! Bring an extension cord, unfinished piece of work, and sewing machine. MDHC will supply the tables and space. Then from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. the American Sewing Guild, Sidney Chapter needs your sewing help for some valuable community service projects. These projects will benefit Domestic Violence (pillowcases), the local Oncology Department (porta-cath pillows), & Preemie project heart. Enjoy a potluck lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., with MDHC providing soup, chocolate, and coffee. Come for a couple of hours or stay for the whole day!

BOARD MEETINGS

Meetings of the Board of Directors of the MonDak Historical & Art Society are open to the public and held the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the

MonDak Heritage Center at 6:30 p.m.

To attend, please contact us at (406) 433-3500 or mdhc@richland.org to confirm the meeting date and time.

We love your input and ideas!

MEETINGS:

Meet in Sidney's most unique location! Contact us about meeting space and renting the museum.

MONDAK WRITER'S GROUP:

Join the MonDak Writer's Group on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6pm to share your writings and ideas and receive feedback. Free!

EMAIL UPDATES:

For the latest news and updates on MDHC events and exhibits, e-mail us at mdhc@richland.org to be added to the email list.

FIND US ONLINE!

Facebook: facebook.com/MonDak Heritage Center

Instagram & Twitter: @mondakmuseum

2017—2018 CALENDAR

July 19: Community Pint Night, at Meadowlark Public House, **4-10pm**

July 28: **Jessie Veeder—Coming Home** (Music at the MonDak), **7pm**

August 2—August 5: Richland County Fair and Rodeo

August 23: Orchard Fire (Music at the MonDak), 6pm

August 29—September 30: **36th Annual Quilt & Needlework Show**

September 10: MonDak Historical & Art Society Annual Meeting, 2pm

September 18: Montana Repertory Theater, Sponsored by NAN, 7pm

September 21: Craig Lancaster—Julep Street (Book Presentation), 7pm

September 23: Quilt UFO Workshop, 8am—12pm, American Sewing Guild

Sidney Chapter Community Service Project, 1-4pm

October 4—November 11: Williston Area Visual Artists Art Show

October 6: Oktoberfest, 7pm

October 17—December 30: Elizabeth Dove, It Started with Aardvark, Sponsored by

MAGDA

November 3: Cascade Quartet (Members-Only Music at the MonDak) 7pm

November 13—January 13: **Leith DeWeese**, *View from the High Plains*, Sponsored by

NDAGA.

November 14—January 20: **27th Annual Miniature Art Show**

November 21: Sidney Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's Business After

Hours at the MonDak, 4-6pm

November 25: Parade of Trees in collaboration with the Boys & Girls Club of

Richland County

December 3: MonDak Christmas, 1:30pm

January 16—March 10, 2018: **Daphne Clark Art Show**

February 17: **11th Annual Celebrating Chocolate 7pm**

DATES & TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE



The mission of MDHC is to engage, educate, and inspire our community by preserving and contributing to the area's arts, culture, and heritage.

THE MONDAK
HERITAGE CENTER
— SIDNEY, MONTANA —

BECOME A MEMBER!

YES, I will join MDHC Annually at the following level:

()	Individual	\$30
()	Family	\$50
()	Senior (60+)	\$25
()	Senior Couple	\$40
()	Business	\$100
()	Sustainer	\$100+
()	Sponsor	\$250+
()	Patron of the Arts	\$500+
()	Benefactor	\$1000+

Name:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Phone:	
E-mail:	

MDHC Member Benefits:

- * Invites to members-only events
- * Discounts to art classes & events
- * Subscription to our quarterly newsletter
- * 10% gift shop discount
- * Recognition in our Annual Report
- * Voting Privileges
- * Discounts at 300+ U.S. locations in the Time Travelers Network (timetravelers.mohistory.org)

Ways to Join:

() Check Enclosed. Payable to **MDHC**.

() Card #:

Exp: _____ CVV: ____ Sig:

> Mail to: **MDHC** 120 3rd Ave SE Sidney, MT 59270

 $\textit{The MonDak Historical \& Art Society operates MDHC and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.} \ \textit{Federal EIN: 23-7191806}.$ Your memberships and donations support exhibits, programs, and collections and are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

MONDAK HERITAGE CENTER

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FREE ADMISSION

Hours

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