



South Central Dakota Regional Council

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JULY NEWSLETTER



15th Annual Classic Tractor Tour

The 15th Annual Classic Tractor Tour with 600 AM KSJB was held June 16th. The event started at Napoleon Livestock and the group traveled to Beaver Lake State Park. Pictured is Jack Reuther with his tractor, the oldest tractor registered and driven, a 1936 John Deere A, Unstyled. There were 52 entries for the annual event.

Top 20 Things Parents Can Do With The Kids

This Summer:

Go To The Beach; Mini Golf; Bowling;
Play Catch; Explore Your City; Fishing; Biking;
Swimming; Hiking; Backyard Party;
Backyard Camping; Fly a Kite; Campfire;
Sidewalk/driveway Chalk Drawing;
Outdoor Movie; Container Planting; Picnic;
Photo Essay; Water Slide; Hanging Out.



Website Offers Crop Insurance Information; State-by-State Totals:

Federal crop insurance seeks to protect farmers from “unavoidable risk” associated with bad weather, crop disease and insects. Crop insurance policies are sold and serviced through private companies. The federal government subsidizes the program to keep it affordable. Federally subsidized crop insurance is controversial. Now, with the U.S. Senate taking up the 2018 farm bill, a crop insurance trade group has launched a website that seeks to provide senators and others with state-specific information on crop insurance. The interactive map is located at cropinsuranceinmystate.org and offers information such as the number of crop insurance policies, acres insured, value of insurance protection, how much farmers paid for coverage, how much insurers paid to cover losses and hail protection coverage.



The Jamestown Regional Entrepreneur Center is collaborating with the Carrington Chamber of Commerce to offer an exciting line up of speakers on Thursday, September 6th to discuss e-commerce and social media marketing. This is a free event and space is limited, so we ask folks to register early. Great event for small businesses or folks interested in starting a business. Registration link - <https://bit.ly/2tI3Fs9>

Also, the JREC is collaborating with Schauer & Associates to provide a free tutorial on Quickbooks in Jamestown on Wednesday, September 12th. To register folks can email Katherine.Roth@uj.edu or call directly at 701-253-4112. More information is provided on our website www.JRECcenter.com.

Dyna Flo, Inc. of Oakes Sells The First Pump Overseas:

Dyna Flo, Inc. of Oakes has been manufacturing Dyna Flo pumps since 2008. They manufactured in their small shop in Oakes for about four years and then decided more manufacturing space was needed. The decision was made to build on to their existing building. They have sold and shipped pumps to many locations in the United States and Canada. With their most recent sale, they will be shipping to Australia! A farmer in Australia found the company website and then viewed the pump on YouTube. He purchased the pump online as he couldn't find a pump anywhere in Australia that will give him the performance he needs in the shallow river from which he pumps. The irrigation pump is 1,500 lbs. and costs \$9,500. It can pump 3000 gallons of water a minute. The company website is dynaflopump.com.

Medina to Receive \$3.5 Million for Water and Sewer Improvements

The city of Medina will receive a \$3.5 million grant from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for water and sewer infrastructure improvements which will fund about half of Medina's planned improvements. Medina has about 300 residents, most on fixed income, the median family income is only about \$23,000 annually. The city has applied for grants and low-interest loans to cover the balance of the project.



James River Cleanup Slated for August

Work could begin in August to clear dead trees and other debris from the James River through Jamestown. Advertising for bids could occur in late July with the contract awarded later in the month. Work could start in August and extend into November. Project costs are estimated at \$300,000 with half coming from a grant from the state of ND and half from the city of Jamestown. Removing large trees will be a priority of the river cleanup project.



We are pleased to welcome LeAnn Fuchs to our staff. She will take over the accounting and business services functions of the council. Le Ann's many years of accounting experience and her familiarity with the South Central Dakota Regional Council makes her an excellent fit.