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July Newsletter

Dates to remember:

Ladies Night, July 10 P. 4

Dickey County Fair, P. 1
July 11-14

Garden Tour, July 13 P. 2

Kedish House is having their annual rummage sale in Oakes, July 19 and 20, 2013. They are accepting donations now. If you have items that you would like to contribute, please call: 349-4729.

Pie Social at the OPERA House Tues July 23, from 2-5; cost is \$4 for homemade pie and beverage.

ND "Remember the Fallen" memorial exhibit at Great Plains National Bank from July 15-26.

2013 FAIR SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JULY 11:

5-8 PM Open Class Entry - Bldg. 3

FRIDAY, JULY 12:

7:30-8:30 AM

8-10 AM

9 AM

11 AM

Noon-8 PM

4 and 6 PM

5:30 PM

6:30 PM

7 PM

10 PM

SATURDAY, JULY 13:

7:30 AM

8 AM

8:30 AM

9 AM

10:30 AM

Noon-7 PM

12:30 PM

1 PM

2, 4 and 6 PM

5 PM

6 PM

7:30 PM

8 PM

SUNDAY, JULY 14:

10 AM

10 AM-4 PM

11 AM

1 PM

Weigh-in/Registration for Jr. Point Show

Open Class Entry - Bldg. 3

Commercial Exhibits Setup - Bldg. 3

ND Jr. Point Show

Train Rides

Open Class Judging

Commercial Exhibits Open

3-on-3 Basketball Tournament - Harvest Inn Parking Lot

Racing Pigs!

Pork Chop Meal - Served by FFA Alumni from Oakes

Bread Auction

Six Appeal - Grandstands

Finnish Line Fireworks

Registration for Walk/Run

March for Memories 5K Walk/Run

4-H Livestock Show

Commercial Exhibits Open

Pony Rides and Train Rides

Pet Show

Jamestown Inflatable Games

Kids Pedal Pull

Chamber of Commerce Bingo - Bldg. 3; Garden Tour

Racing Pigs!

Free Feed

4-H Premium Auction

Bar S Rodeo - Grandstands

"In The Fields" Band following Rodeo

Commercial Exhibits Close

Dickey County Fair Gospel Hour

Commercial Exhibits Open

4-H Pancake Breakfast

Registration for Demolition Derby

- contact Jerry Rekow at jrepair@drtel.net or
(701) 320-5144

Demolition Derby - Grandstands

4-H Clothing Revue/Style Show



Gardens on Tour
Walt and Elsie Schock
Justin Meidinger/Jami Eberle
and more!!!



2013 Home and Garden Tour

Please join us July 13th at 1pm at the Dickey County Fair to pick up your pass and map of the homes on the tour.

Cost is \$5.00

Anyone interested in showing their gardens, please contact Jessica Zinter

@ 701-535-1098



Mike's Unique Automotive Expands



Mike's Unique Automotive Collision Center is expanding! In order to keep up with the constantly changing automotive industry, Unique Automotive has added an addition to their building. Mike and Kristi Gilbert, the owners of

Unique Automotive, said they needed more room and were faced with the option of either adding on/upgrading or potentially leaving this community as the current building was not meeting the needs of the business. They

have said they are Ellendale "lifers" and appreciate the support from the community through all these years. They look forward to continuing to serve the community for decades to come.

Looking for a 20-year Contract? Consider Becoming a GSA Vendor!

The Federal Government, through its General Services Administration (GSA) can offer small businesses endless opportunities to sell to local and not-so-local federal buyers.

GSA works with over 18,000 businesses to purchase millions of different products and services for worldwide federal and state government needs, spending billions of dollars a year. North Dakota companies are very under-represented, with less than 1% of the approved GSA vendors identifying North Dakota as their location. What a great opportunity!

The GSA system focuses on products and services other than construction projects. It can be one of the most time-consuming registration processes, yet successful completion of the GSA application can result in 5 - 20 year

contracts with the federal government!

The first step is to identify which products and services your business would like to offer to GSA. You don't have to offer your full product line right away, but can limit this to items that are the best fit for the government buyer. GSA has different vendor applications (called *Schedules* in GSA-lingo) for different types of products and services. Businesses should also have been operating for at least 2 years, and have 6 to 20 customers willing to be references and answer a short online survey about customer service. Companies can review the current online GSA catalog, *GSA Advantage*, for competitor's products, prices and terms.

Completing the application (Schedule) can take a little as a week, or it can take months,

depending on how many products/services need to be described and whether the business has all the necessary documents GSA will require (such as a sales catalog with prices). Once the completed application has been received by GSA, the business owner and the GSA representative will negotiate on price discounts, warranties, return policies, shipping options, etc. Interestingly, GSA won't attempt to get a business to be cheaper than any other business currently in their catalog for similar products or services. However, GSA does expect to be one of the business's best customers and as such, wants to be offered the best terms and discounts the company has available. So be ready to offer your best deal!

Once your information is loaded online, federal and state buyers can browse product and service descrip-

tions, and also see details about the company they would be buying from, such as its location. Past experience has shown that federal buyers will tend to use a local company when they can; just like everyone else, they like to shop local when possible. Consider investing the time to becoming part of the GSA system and open some new sales channels for your business.

For more information about GSA schedules and for help becoming a certified vendor please contact Impact PTAC.

www.impactptac.com



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2013 Applefest Schedule

Saturday, September 14:

8:30am – race

10:30am-parade (route to start at fairgrounds, go to Main, down Main and turn at 2nd Ave and go out to POPCC)

11:00am-Little Miss/Mr.

11:30am-pie auction (it was discussed to possibly add lefse this year, to go with the theme)

11:45am-games for kids and adults (horseshoes, 3 legged and gunny sack races, egg race)

12:30pm – bingo (games continuing); inflatable games

1:30pm-pet show

2:30pm-peddle pull

3:00pm- music and activities (wagon rides, archery, square dancing, etc.)

5:00-6:30pm-Ribfest \$8.00 adults, \$6.50 kids (4-12; 3 and under are free)

7:00pm- radio show at the Opera

Sunday, September 15:

1:00 – truck pull and concessions



(schedule subject to change; please check AppleFest poster for final times and events)