



Twenty-eighth annual Potato Day is Saturday

For the 28th year organizers are finalizing plans for Potato Days in Clark. Many of the events will be held on Saturday, August 3, but there will also be things to do and see on Friday and on Sunday. Please hang on to the Potato Day schedule circular inserted in this week's edition. It should feel like summer this Saturday, with high temperatures projected to be in the upper 80's and dry.

Friday activities will include a community appreciation lunch at the American Legion Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Trolley Follies at 6:00 p.m. and Dynamic DJ beginning at 9:00 p.m., both at the golf club. From 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.

there will be Airboat rides at the Black Claw Bait and Tavern and a Family Fun Night with free swimming at the Clark pool from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Early-rising exercise enthusiasts can begin Saturday with the FUN RACE, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Athletes can walk, run or bike through the course. Registration is at 7:30 p.m.

A perennial favorite event, Mashed Potato Wrestling, will take place on Saturday at noon at Dickinson Park.

From 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. there

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This weekend, Saturday in particular, is the long-awaited Clark Potato Days. Sponsored by the Clark Chamber of Commerce and Spudniks, this fun, family-filled day is the showcase of the community. Clark Chamber board members include, left to right, Jason McHenry, Jessica Nordhus, Trevor Forest, Melanie Smith, Nate Merkel, Tammy Rusher, Christy Huisenga, Nichole DesLauriers, president and Cassi Kottke, Potato Day co-chairman.

Potato Day Parade to start with WWII aircraft flyover

To get the Clark Potato Day Parade off to a glorious start, an authentic World War II P-51 Mustang fighter aircraft will fly down US Highway 212, prior to the start of the parade.

This plane will be coming from

Faultkton, where it honored Dorothy Huss, 96, the wife of Cyril Huss, who was a member of the Flying Tigers in WW II.

The P-51 will be flown by Aberdeen pilot, Dr. John Bormes.

Jennen Law to become Boos Jennen Law Firm

Tomorrow, August 1, the Jennen Law office will merge with the George Boos Law Firm of Milbank to become the Boos Jennen Law Firm.

Attorney Susan Yexley Jennen, Clark, said that this partnership will allow the ability to work together on cases.

"We will have two branches, one in Clark and one in Milbank. Our goal is coverage and with the merger we will work together on cases to serve all clients."

The Boos Jennen Law Firm will handle cases dealing with: business law, real estate, estate planning, intellectual property, such as trade-

marks, copyrights, patents, etc., technology transactions and data privacy and security and also family law.

Intellectual property law and technology law has been Jennen's focus for 20 years. Boos has been practicing in South Dakota for over 35 years with the majority of time spent in Milbank.

"George and I have been friends and colleagues for many years and have worked together on cases," said Jennen of her new partner. The Clark attorney added that this merger is available because of and is aided by technology in all phases including accounting, record keep-

ing and research.

Jennen serves out of state business and government entities, as well as local clients. She is licensed in three states - South Dakota, Minnesota and New York, as an attorney; certified information privacy professional.

Her phone number is 532-3300, she can be reached at any time and her office hours are 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday and is available evening and weekends by appointment.

Jennen closed by saying that the new sign, Boos Jennen, will be up in the near future.

Pilots For Christ service is Saturday, at airport

In conjunction with Potato Day, a Pilots For Christ (PFC) International Commissioning Service will be held at 1:30 p.m. this Saturday, at the Clark County Airport.

Located in Hangar 12 (Doug Hansen's hangar), the service will begin with the welcome from Harvey Spieker, the South Dakota PFC President. Pastor Mindy Ehrke will give the opening prayer, preceded by a hymn and followed by a scripture reading.

Pastor Mark Tracy will give the meditation followed by thoughts from North Dakota PFC President Pat Tracy.

Tim Layne, President of PFC International will then lead the commissioning service. Pastor Mark Cronauer will give the Benediction followed by a hymn. Fellowship and refreshments will follow.

The service areas for Pilots For Christ International include: Mercy flights; Ambulatory medical flights; Missionary transportation and ministry staff flights; witness at air shows, airports, aviation events and in our everyday lives; Foster Christian fellowship at meetings, at or near airports; Incentive flights for youth groups, Scouts, etc. and Fund raising events for other non-profits.

These services are free of charge to any needy person.

WEATHER

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Weather Observer

	HI	LO	PR
July 23	76	57	0
July 24	79	57	0
July 25	80	62	0
July 26	84	65	.05
July 27	88	62	0
July 28	85	66	.64
July 29	79	59	.71
2019 precipitation to date	21.44		
2018 precipitation to date	9.85		



Clark County 4-H Rodeo had a soggy Sunday

Rain in July is not common place in South Dakota, but July, 2019 is anything but normal, weather-wise. Approximately 6.75" of rain has fallen in Clark this month, with 1.50" coming Sunday.

With over 200 competitors participating in the Clark County 4-H Rodeo Saturday and Sunday, Saturday was a better day to get good times and Sunday was 'completely muddy'.

"Most people really like our rodeo," said 4-H adviser Kim McGraw. "Sure, they were a little disappointed with the rain, but everyone had the same conditions. Saturday was a better day to compete than Sunday. Families went home Sunday a little tired and really muddy."

Above, Sara Hemmingson, Bradley, has a very good run in the goat tying event.

Senior Feature

Mary Lou Hallberg appreciates family and friends

Mary Lou Hallberg was born at home, after her father went to get the doctor on July 4, 1930. She was the second child born to "J.R." or "Ray" and Eva Arthur of rural Chance in Perkins County in northwestern, South Dakota. She had one older brother Jim and a younger sister Lois.

Her father had served in World War I and was in on the "March to the Rhine" campaign, a grueling trek across the country where they had to forage for food on their own in addition to battling the enemy.

"I still have the Army spoon he was issued in the service during that time. He used it for eating as well as a tool sometimes. He only weighed 85 pounds after the march and one of his legs was injured," recalled Hallberg.

Grandparents

"I remember my dad's father, Homer Arthur. He was a colorful character. He was where we got the height in the family, I think. His wife Amanda had died before I was born. When he was 90 years old, he rode a Harley Davidson motorcycle from California to see us in South Dakota.

"My mother's mother, Margaret Morrison, was from Dublin, Ireland. I was told she spent three weeks on a ship to get to Ellis Island. She lived with us towards the end of her life. She raised eight children on her own after her husband had died young from food poisoning. She was a strict grandma not a cuddly grandma. Probably because she had to be when she was younger raising her children without their father."

Young Years

One fond memory of Mary Lou's is laying in her bed at night listening to the sheep nearby that had come through with the traveling "Basque" people. "I'd hear sheep,



Mary Lou Hallberg was born on Independence Day in the year 1930. The daughter of James Raymond or "Ray" Arthur and Eva (Morrison) Arthur, she was the middle child of three. There was a year and a half difference between the ages of Jim, Mary Lou and Lois in the family. Starting out near the Chance and Bison area where she was born, the family moved later to Woodland Township, then to Day Township in Clark County. After their marriage Mary Lou and her husband Ed farmed for many years in Darlington Township

then the dogs barking, then a shotgun fire, as they were hunting the coyotes. My dad was always real friendly and would get to know them. He would sometimes even cut their hair for them. I'd get to sit in their covered wagon and watch. My mother would sometimes bake them something. They always ate over a campfire. I think they came out of Kansas every year for their sheep to graze in our area.

"My dad would sometimes cut other's hair, too. He had a good scissor he'd sharpen on his own. He could do a lot of different things. "In later years, he lost an eye to a hunting accident. I went with him one year antelope hunting after that. He was worried that he couldn't shoot as well with just one eye. Two antelope got up in front

of us and he got both of them that day."

"Critters"

West River is known for having rattlesnakes. In their garden by nearby Thunder Butte creek, when picking tomatoes, Mary Lou and her brother Jim would have to carry a stick and wave it around in the tomatoes to shake the snakes out first.

"We were trained to stop dead in our tracks when we heard that rattle of the rattlesnake. When Jim and I were little, we would sometimes find a snake nest and pull out some of the babies to hear their little rattles. We never did tell our mom about that. They can coil up pretty fast before they strike."

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