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I would like to start out with an apology to our grain customers served out of our facilities in Watford City. A couple of years ago, it was decided to expand the storage capacity at this location. What appeared to be a great deal on several virtually new steel bins, turned out to be the start of a nightmare for us. The bins were delivered later than the pre-harvest date that we were assured of, and instead delivery was made with snow already flying and temperatures too cool to pour the concrete required. When a crew came out from the eastern part of the state to start erecting the bins, they discovered they didn't have enough bolts...so they went back to get more. Even with our constant calls and pestering to the company, we just got excuse after excuse as to why they couldn't get right back to the project. Eventually, we ended up in a lawsuit over the bins and erection, which finally came to a breach of contract. Additionally, attorneys from both sides advised us that we were not to do anything with the bins until everything was settled.

As this project continued to drag out with no resolution in sight, in the immediate future we decided to contact other companies to see if they would assist us in the completion. Most were extremely reluctant to get involved for various reasons. Finally, we made some progress and are able to utilize the bins now that harvest is complete. Again, I am sorry for the delays that were encountered and for the difficulty that our growers have endured because of the untimeliness of this fiasco. Sometimes what appears to be a great deal has a way of coming back to bite you like this one did.

Recently, the Board of Directors decided to list the cardtrol and property for sale in Dagmar, Montana. The expense of updating and maintaining the facility for the small amount of gallons dispensed was the reason behind the decision. It is always a difficult choice to make when eliminating services to an area. However, it is our hope that someone near will be able to utilize the facility for its

intended purpose. If you or someone that you know may be interested, please contact our office.

Another recent action taken by the Board of Directors was the adoption of a policy that will protect our employees and company from obnoxious, argumentative customers. Recently, we have had occurrences where customers have used abusive language, threatening tones and in general displayed extremely horrible behavior. In the future, letters will be sent to those involved, explaining why they will no longer be allowed to do business with Horizon Resources and how the remainder of their respective stock will be handled. I don't expect this to be used very often, but unfortunately, I am confident that

someone will test it based on previous track records.

On a more positive note, we are looking forward to

hearing about your bountiful harvest across our trade territory. We finally got Mother Nature to cooperate and give us the rain that we have needed for the past several years. We are hopeful that everything worked out well for all of you during harvest and that you will look to Horizon Resources for all of your grain handling needs. I sure wouldn't be surprised to see a large amount of winter wheat planted this fall. The past couple of years, growers have done well with winter wheat when moisture in the fall was adequate.

Finally, I hope that you had a wonderful summer like I did, as my daughter Ashley got married to Matt Norgaard on June 22<sup>nd</sup> in Sidney, Montana, his hometown. As a father, I am thrilled to have Matt as a son-in-law and find comfort in knowing that they will be very happy together.

Be safe, drive careful and watch out for the other guy. Have a great fall season, get out and enjoy western North Dakota and eastern Montana at its finest! ■



**Jeff Wagner**  
President/CEO

**“ We are looking forward to hearing about your bountiful harvest across our trade territory. ”**

A MESSAGE

From Your CEO



# FALL RECIPES

WITH SEVERAL HOLIDAYS FAST APPROACHING, HERE ARE A FEW RECIPES TO HELP GET YOU IN THE FALL CHEER.

Recipes courtesy of [www.pillsbury.com](http://www.pillsbury.com):

## MEAT LOAF MUMMIES

On the occasion of Halloween, serve your family this hearty meat loaf for dinner - made using Pillsbury® Crescent Recipe Creations® dough sheet. Serves 4.

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 lb. ground beef round
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped (½ cup)
- ½ cup Progresso® Italian style bread crumbs
- ⅓ cup ketchup
- ¼ tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. freshly ground pepper
- 2 eggs
- 4 sticks (1 oz. each) string cheese
- 1 can (8 oz.) Pillsbury® Crescent Recipe Creations® refrigerated seamless dough sheet
- Yellow mustard, if desired

### PREPARATION

Heat oven to 350°F. Line broiler pan with foil; spray foil with cooking spray. In large bowl, mix beef, onion, bread crumbs, ketchup, salt, pepper and eggs. On work surface, shape meat mixture into 4 (6 x 2 in.) loaves, inserting 1 cheese stick lengthwise in center of each loaf. Taper ends of loaves to look like mummy shapes. Place in pan. Bake 25 minutes.

Meanwhile, remove dough from can; unroll on work surface or cutting board. Cut into 4 rectangles. With knife or kitchen scissors, cut each rectangle lengthwise into 7 strips. Alternately cross 7 strips over each meat loaf to look like "bandages," stretching dough to completely cover meat loaf and tucking ends under loaf. About ½ inch from one end, separate "bandage strips" on top to let meat loaf show through for "face." Bake 17 to 20 minutes longer or until golden brown and meat thermometer inserted in center of loaf reads 160°F. Add dots of mustard on each mummy face for eyes. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.

## SPICY CIDER JACK-O'-LANTERNS

Treat your family to this beautiful fruit dessert that's decorated with whipped topping - perfect for Halloween. Serves 4.

### INGREDIENTS

- 4 large oranges
- 2 cups apple juice, chilled
- ¼ cup red cinnamon candies
- 1 (3-oz.) pkg. orange or lemon-flavor gelatin
- ½ cup whipped topping

### PREPARATION

Cut "lid" from stem end of each orange; discard lids. With spoon or fingers, scoop and scrape out flesh from each orange to within ¼ inch of peel, being careful not to puncture peel. Reserve orange flesh for another use. Place orange shells on cookie sheet or tray.

In small saucepan, combine 1 cup of the apple juice and cinnamon candies. Cook over medium-high heat until mixture comes to a boil and candies melt, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Add gelatin; stir at least 2 minutes or until completely dissolved. Stir in remaining 1 cup cold apple juice. Pour evenly into orange shells. Refrigerate 4 hours.

With small sharp knife, cut out jack-o'-lantern features into side of each orange. Carefully remove peel to reveal gelatin under features. (If gelatin does not release well, rinse paper towel in hot water and wring out; press hot towel on features to soften gelatin slightly, then remove peel.)

To serve, top each dessert with dollop of whipped topping. If desired, sprinkle with cinnamon.

Recipes courtesy of [www.traegergrills.com](http://www.traegergrills.com):

## MAPLE & BOURBON BRINED TURKEY

Your Traeger® will produce one of the moistest, tastiest turkeys you've ever eaten with show-stopping crisp, brown skin. Serves 8. Recommended Pellets: Pecan, Apple or Hickory.

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 10 to 12 lb. turkey, thawed if frozen
- 5 quarts hot water
- 1 ½ cups kosher salt (if using table salt, cut the amount down to ¾ cup)
- ¾ cup bourbon
- 1 cup pure maple syrup
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 onion, peeled and quartered through the root end
- 3 to 4 strips of orange peel
- 3 bay leaves, broken into pieces
- 2 Tbsp. black peppercorns
- 1 Tbsp. whole cloves
- 3 quarts ice
- 1 cup butter, melted
- Traeger® Pork/Poultry Shake, or salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- Sprigs of fresh sage and thyme for garnish
- Orange wedges, lady apples, or kumquats for garnish
- Prepared turkey gravy for serving
- You'll also need: Butcher's twine (sometimes called kitchen twine)

### PREPARATION

In a large stockpot or container combine the hot water, kosher salt, bourbon, ¾ cup of the maple syrup, brown sugar, onion, bay leaves, peppercorns and cloves, stir until well mixed. Add the ice.

Rinse the turkey, inside and out, under cold running water. Remove giblets and discard or save for another use. (Some turkeys come with a gravy packet as well; remove it before roasting the bird.) Add the turkey to the brine and refrigerate 8 to 12 hours, or overnight. Weight with a bag of ice to keep the bird submerged. Drain and pat dry with paper towels; discard the brine. Fold the wingtips behind the back and tie the legs together with butcher's twine. Combine the melted butter and

the remaining ¼ cup of maple syrup. Brush on the bird and sprinkle lightly with Pork/Poultry Shake or salt and black pepper.

When ready to cook, start the Traeger® grill on. Smoke with the lid open until the fire is established (4 to 5 minutes). Set the temperature to 350 degrees Fahrenheit and preheat, lid closed, for 10 to 15 minutes.

Roast the turkey for 2 ½ to 3 hours, or until the internal temperature in the thickest part of the thigh is 165 degrees Fahrenheit. (Use an instant-read meat thermometer.) Brush with the remaining butter/maple syrup mixture the last 30 minutes of cooking. Let the turkey rest for 15 to 20 minutes before carving. Garnish, if desired, with fresh herbs and/or kumquats.

Note: Do not use a kosher turkey or a self-basting turkey for this recipe as they have already been enhanced with a salt-solution.

## PUMPKIN PIE

A quick and easy pumpkin pie with a little Traeger® goodness.

### INGREDIENTS

- 4 oz. cream cheese, room temperature (optional substitute - fat free cream cheese)
- 1 (15-oz.) can pumpkin puree
- ½ cup heavy whipping cream (optional sub; fat free milk thickened with flour)
- ½ cup firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 3 large eggs
- 1 (9-in.) frozen pie crust shell, kept in foil pie tin
- Whip cream (topping)

### PREPARATION

Set grill to Medium setting (three speed controller). Mix cream cheese, puree, milk, sugar and spice. One at a time incorporate an egg to mixture. Pour mixture into pie shell. Bake for 50 minutes, edges should be golden and pie should be firm around edges with slight movement in middle. Let cool before whip cream is applied (optional).



# Power to the Bakken

As General Manager of Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative, Dale Haugen would often wonder how his rural electric cooperative would be able to replace aging power infrastructure. The trend in western North Dakota was fewer farms and farming families. Where there were once four to five farms on a distribution line, there would now be only one. Yet in order to serve that one customer would require that new lines be built to replace aging lines that had reached the end of their service life. However, for Mountrail-Williams Electric, today's concerns are far different, as the demands of the Bakken oil boom have changed the landscape and the future for this rural electric cooperative. "We have just had our third consecutive year of 40% plus growth," according to Haugen. "It's hard to believe and hard to plan for."

Planning is not only necessary, but also vital to accomplish what needs to be done in the next five to seven years. "We are looking at a major transmission line project, a once in 40 years undertaking. So, we have enlisted the major stakeholders and power users of the region to supply us with their best estimate of their power needs, because we need to get this right," continues Haugen. "The numbers that were returned to us were beyond belief by today's standards." What Haugen found was that Mountrail-Williams should prepare for a future where there could be 22 to 42 wells on one site. A fully expanded site could generate up to five megawatts of load. In comparison, the average farm home with natural gas heat would generate only about five kilowatts of load, or roughly 1/1000 of the load generated by these pumping areas, commonly referred to as eco-pads. "One average eco-pad is the equivalent of roughly 60 average homes," according to Haugen. The numbers get even more staggering when you consider that these eco-pads could be located every four miles in a north-south configuration."

"In 1995 Mountrail-Williams consumed about 30 megawatts of power," Dale points out. "Today, right now, we consume 230 megawatts of power; but next year that amount jumps to 330 megawatts; and it is estimated that by the year 2025 we'll need between 800 megawatts and 1.25 gigawatts (a gigawatt is one billion watts, or 1000 megawatts of power) for the two counties we serve, Mountrail and Williams. That doesn't

consider the other areas that will experience this same rate of growth, like around Dickinson and even Minot."

The increased need for power will not only create a need for more service lines, but the need to build and expand transmission lines to bring power into the Williston area. To address this, two transmission lines are being proposed. One line would be built from the western North Dakota coalfields to Killdeer, and then north to Williston. A second line would be built around Lake Audubon and continue north and west to Tioga. The south line is slated to be complete in 2016 and the construction of the north loop would depend on continued development in the region.

With these massive transmissions line projects still years from completion, what is being done today to keep the lights on? "We are able to use some existing infrastructure to bring power in from the Garrison Dam. There was a line that was constructed to power the Snake Creek pumping plant. We are using that and constructing additional lines through the Ryder, Makoti, Max area to bring power all the way to Williston," answers Haugen.

The oil companies are not the only tax on the electric infrastructure of the area, "As you travel around you notice a lot more bins, grain dryers and farm maintenance shops being built. We've also had good years in agriculture, with good prices. We spent a majority of middle September replacing transformers that were overloaded due to more power demand," says Haugen with a smile. Within just a few miles from the Mountrail-Williams office are another 3,800 apartments that will need power before winter. "Between us and MDU (Montana Dakota Utilities, that services the city of Williston), over 8,000 apartments will be added. That's amazing when you consider that Williston once was a town of 12,000 people."

Power is not the only challenge that Mountrail-Williams faces. "Right now we have between 22-25 openings for employees. Engineers, computer programmers, electronics and IT specialists, linemen, engineers to stake power lines, linemen and more linemen, we need them all." The challenge is to find local people to fill these positions, rather than bringing in employees from outside the area. "They work here until economic conditions improve where they come

from, and so they leave. You can't really blame them for wanting to return to home and family" shares Haugen.

To fill their need of employees, Mountrail-Williams finds itself working within the college system and trade schools to attract local young people. For families with children, daycare is a challenge in the Williston area. "We need to be flexible with our employees and try to help them find suitable daycare for their families" according to Dale, "so in our new office building we are looking at a space for daycare. It just makes sense as we want long-term employees who enjoy where they work."

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The building program that Haugen refers to will change the landscape of the area that Mountrail-Williams Electric occupies on the north edge of Williston. The administrative staff will move to leased space in March 2015, as there will be several new buildings constructed. In the distance to the west of the current office, the first of these buildings is under construction.

The final phase of the construction process will be a new office building to be constructed in 2018 or 2019. This building is where the daycare center would be located, as well as the rest of the administrative offices of Mountrail-Williams. In addition, offices in New Town and Stanley will also be remodeled to accommodate the growing business in those areas. "We have to remember that all of the communities we serve are growing with the Bakken oil boom, so their needs have to be addressed too," says Haugen.

What other challenges are ahead? At the top of the list would be obtaining easements for the new transmission lines that will need to be built. "The legislature may have to look at options like right of way corridors," according to Haugen. These corridors would allow for a multiple of utilities to be located in one corridor. "For example you could

have pipelines on the edge and transmission lines in the middle." The Mountrail-Williams staff has also realized that there is a change in the demographics of the region. "We now have interpreters on staff, as many of our customers and contractors may not speak English," relates Haugen, "they call in and want to have power, and we don't want language to be a barrier."

Even though the growth of Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative has taken the company into uncharted territory as far as loads and future infrastructure construction. This rural electric cooperative has continued to deliver on the promise of electrifying the countryside. Mountrail Williams has taken on the challenges and has been able to plan to meet the demands of a growing energy industry. ■



Dale Haugen shows Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative board members the progress in the Williston area.



# MAKING LAPS AROUND THE EARTH...



**John Salvevold**  
Agronomy Division Manager

This past summer was yet again one for the records, as I think I said this a couple years ago, but it really was a summer to remember. We were easily able to get more acres planted in our trade territory this season than we did in 2011.

As a retailer in this trade, I can definitely say that this was the toughest spring I have ever seen on our people, plants and equipment. Mother Nature was once again in charge of the entire situation by eliminating the month for fieldwork that we usually get done from the middle of October until the middle of November, so we were behind from the start. Most years we can start our fieldwork in late March or early April, which was eliminated by a late spring thaw along with late snowfall that took care of any early fieldwork. Once we did get started, it was like going to work the first of May and not getting off until about May 25<sup>th</sup> when it started to rain. Once it started, we received over 10 inches of rain in a two-week time period that made our spraying season a repeat of our spreading season. We spread our acres that we usually do in three months, in about three weeks. We then followed that by spraying two months of work in about three weeks.

To give you an idea of the volume of work we did in the month of May, our largest previous month of business within the agronomy division was \$14 million in one month. We ended May at just short of \$21 million in sales. We actually ended June with more sales than we had in the record spring of 2012. The main difference was that in 2012 we had three and a half months to get the work done and this year we did it in about five to six weeks.

Brutal, nasty, ugly...these are all words that I have heard from other dealers and people within the industry to describe this spring's workload and application season. I have also heard the following statement quite a few times: "anyone who makes it through this season is in it for the long haul." I spent some days working as a psychiatrist and counselor to both our employees and other dealers. I kept telling them that all they could do is to work on what they could get done and don't take things personally. Not only was the workload an ugly mess to deal with, the logistics to get the products needed in place, turned really ugly in a hurry. We had to delay shipment of a unit train of phosphate, which was supposed to be here the second half of April, until early May. It was then delayed even further as the result of everyone else in the country doing the same thing.

Everyone got a late start and had sheds full of fertilizer so they had to delay early scheduled trains. When the entire country starts at the same time, all the equipment, including railcars, are not able to keep up and the end result is delayed trains and product. We

had very few days that we were actually out of product, but every plant was pretty much sweeping out their bins every day for that two-week time period. We sourced over 3,000 tons of phosphates from anywhere we could find to keep our customers going while we waited on our train. We finally received our unit train in time for the rain to start and then it was a struggle to get the rest of the crop seeded with 10 inches of rain. Needless to say, it was not very fun for anyone in this industry.

Before we had the rain in late May, we custom applied over 55,000 acres in three weeks out of Williston alone. We were running over 2,000 acres a day and believe me, that is a lot to ask of your employees and equipment. Anyway, we are done with the spring, done with the spraying season and soon we will be done with the harvest. In the middle of July, I traveled throughout most of the state of North Dakota and I would say we are pretty fortunate in the northwest corner. There were many areas that looked like about half the acres were planted and in some areas acres should not have been planted. I just hope we don't have another repeat of the spring of 2013 and maybe it is just the "13" in the year that made this happen. I hope the rest of 2013 goes better than the past nine months.

I would like to thank all of our employees in the agronomy division for getting through the spring and summer the way we did. I would also like to thank our customers for the patience they had with getting their acres custom applied, and I would like to apologize for any acres that we missed. We physically could not cover the amount of acres that we normally have three months to do in three to four weeks.

Looking forward, we should experience lower prices on all crop nutrients for fall. Prices have softened after the spring application season and will ultimately depend on the corn crop that will be harvested, along with ending grain inventories. This all seems to correlate with world grain markets and corn seems to be the main driver of all commodities including grains and fertilizers. Nitrogen prices used to follow the price of natural gas, but corn seems to be the main price influence on most other commodities. Everyone seems to stop buying fertilizers and is starting to pay more attention any time the United State Department of Agriculture has a crop report coming out or around the time of any of the national fertilizer conventions. This is the main time that we can see price reactions that will influence future fertilizer prices and no one wants to get caught on the wrong side of the market.

Story continued on next page.



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*Making Laps Around the Earth continued.*

As far as future prices, anhydrous ammonia dropped about a hundred dollars a ton for the first time in over a year. In the end, it is almost a good and bad thing when we see fertilizer prices dropping. If there is a softening in prices, it has also followed a drop in corn prices, along with most other grains. I hate to say it, but I think we are getting used to high prices on crop nutrients, the same as we are comfortable with the price of gasoline that gets "down" to \$3.50 per gallon. When the prices of fertilizer are higher, it is usually made up for with higher grain prices to offset the extra expenses.

I am amazed at how this has changed in the past 15 years. Growers and dealers are now handling about two to three times the money per acre on inputs along with larger, more expensive equipment being used by both. You can't put in a wheat crop for \$50 per acre any more, you can't buy farmland in western North Dakota for \$400 per acre any more and we can't buy a new spreader truck for \$200,000 any more. It is safe to say each of these examples have at least doubled in the past three to five years. Just like many farmers, we are paying for our custom application equipment by using it on more and more acres. I calculated our break-even cost on our custom application expenses, and just in Williston alone it would take over 93,000 acres to break-even this year. For the entire agronomy division I calculated our break-even expenses at over 196,000 acres.

If you do the math on this, we can almost drive a lap around the earth with one of our spreader trucks and we will just about break even. By the end of the year, we will do more than the equivalent of one lap around the earth with our custom application equipment. That is a lot of driving up and down your fields. I have said this before, but we have employees who drive up and down your fields more than some of our growers do. We are to the point in our division that we can look at almost any aerial map of our customers' fields and we can tell you whose land it is without a name on it! That is from "a lot of laps around the earth."

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Most of our country was blessed with adequate to abundant moisture these last few months. This has really helped with the healing process from past drought, but the old timers always say that wet years yielded lighter weaning weights. This is more than likely caused by abundant high-fiber grass growth that becomes increasingly difficult for the calf to digest as the plant heads out and advances in maturity. The economics of creep feeding with Payback® Creep Feed looks to be very favorable this year.

With these thoughts in mind, remember the importance of feeding free-choice mineral to your cowherd in the early fall. The protein and energy in the green grass has improved the body condition of the cows, however, keep in mind that this improvement does not generally suggest that they are in an optimal mineral status. Trace mineral analysis of our pasture forages show that they are extremely deficient in copper, zinc, manganese and selenium even when the grass is green. As the grass matures and lignifies, the bioavailability of these trace minerals decreases. Also, some of the levels of macro minerals like phosphorus, which may have been adequate in green grass, becomes much lower than a lactating cow's requirement. As we experienced a few days of summer heat, water caused antagonists like sulfates and iron to cause the herd's mineral status to be depleted even more. All of this is happening while the cow is going through involution, breeding, first trimester of pregnancy and lactation. These processes are very mineral dependant, and mineral status will certainly affect first service and total conception rates and weaning weights.

Several top universities, including North Dakota State University, are researching various cutting edge

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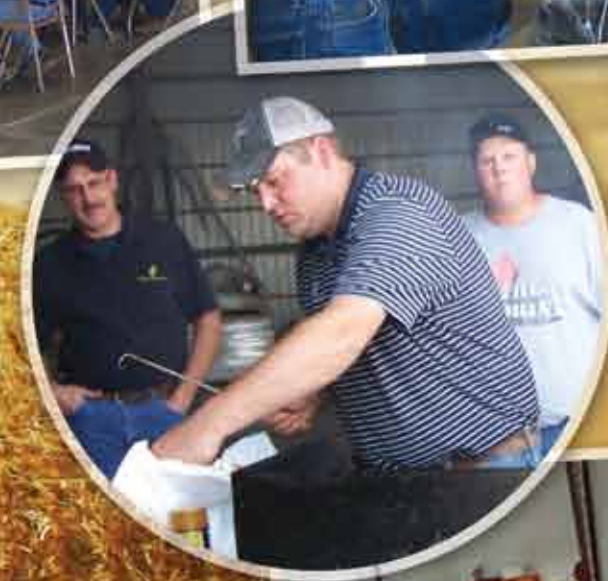
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# RETAIL DIVISION PREPARES FOR THE FALL SEASON



**Mike Leach**  
Retail Division Manager

In the month of July I attended the Fall and Winter United Hardware Buying Show in Minneapolis, Minnesota. It reminded me that the fall season would be upon us shortly. For those involved in hunting season, the supply of ammunition does not look real great. We are seeing some slowly starting to show up in our stores, but the shortage on 22 and 223 ammo is still up in the air. We have a wonderful selection of Benelli, Franchi and Stoeger shotguns. If you have another brand, or something else in mind to prepare for your hunting season, stop in and I'll see if I can get what you are looking for. As for rifles, we have a pretty good mix of different brands to choose from. I am hoping by the time rifle season begins, I will have a few caliber rifles on hand, and after they are gone we will see what the fill up is going to be.

**“Stop in and I'll see if I can get what you are looking for.”**

As for the winter supplies, some of the new items we will be seeing are from Seirus Innovation brand clothing. They have a great selection of headgear and form-to-fit winter gloves. If you have never had a glove fit your hand perfectly, these are great and perfect for our North Dakota winters. They form to your hand and they also make a heated version. Heat Touch™ is a rechargeable glove with three heat settings that you plug in, like you do your phone. The charge will last up to ten hours, depending on the heat setting you have it set on. The other clothing company with new products to offer is Baffin. Baffin offers items such as a base layer for under your clothes that is made with a high wick-ability fabric. This allows the clothing to

pull moisture away from the body, keeping a person very comfortable and dry. This type of base layer clothing will be great to wear in the upcoming months. We are hoping to carry these types of products in our c-stores soon.

In the work boot area, we now offer the Tony Lama line with boots that are waterproof, steel toed boots and some regular boots. Along with the Baffin line of clothing, we are looking forward to carrying their boot selection as well.

In case you have not heard, the winner of the Father Mows Best Promotion was Bob Busch, a local resident of Williston. He won a new Honda self-propelled mower. I want to thank everyone that stopped in and registered to win the mower this year. Until next time, have a wonderful fall and harvest! ■



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5	4	1	3	9	8	7	6	2
6	2	3	4	1	7	5	8	9
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# Williston Bulk Plant Construction



Jeff Watts  
Energy Division Manager

Construction began mid-July and is now complete at our bulk fuels plant in Williston. During construction all the tanks were replaced, we added an additional 100,000 gallons of storage, along with a new loading rack, pump meters and spill containment. Our new loading system should allow us to load bulk trucks much quicker and, most importantly, safer. Also with the spill containment system, we will be in compliance with the current EPA rules. That is all for now, we would like to thank you again for all your support this past summer and hope you have a great fall! ■



“Our new loading system should allow us to load bulk trucks much quicker and, most importantly, safer.”



# Congratulations

**BOB BUSCH of Williston, winner of the 2013 Father Mow's Best Promotion for Horizon Resources!**

Winner Bob Busch, left, stands with Mike Leach, right, Retail Division Manager for Horizon Resources.



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# Walking for a Cause

## Relay for Life 2013

*Thank you to all that came out to support this year's Relay for Life events!*



### *Williston Relay Event*

The Upper Missouri Relay for Life event was held August 3<sup>rd</sup> at Cutting Field in Williston.

**Raised \$240,025.69 at this event!**



### *Watford City Relay Event*

The Rugged West Relay for Life event was held August 16<sup>th</sup> in Watford City.

**Raised \$51,299.00 at this event!**







stop at Costco, it was just about sunset as we headed out of Kahului to go to Kaanapali to find our hotel. It takes about an hour to go from Kahului to Kaanapali so by now it is pretty dark. Let's just say we eventually did find our hotel, but it wasn't on the first try. Okay, here is your first travel tip – try to plan your arrival so that you have enough daylight to drive to and find your hotel. Also, I wouldn't plan anything for your arrival day even if you manage to have an earlier arrival time; you're going to be exhausted.

There is much to see and do on the island of Maui, make sure to plan some time to just sit, relax and soak up the scenery. Remember, you're on Maui time now!

*Here is a list of my favorite activities on the island (photos correlate below):*

### 1. Drive to Haleakala Crater National Park

When you leave your hotel you are basically at zero feet above sea level. When you reach the summit you are at 10,023 feet above sea level. Wow, what a drive and what amazing scenery along the way. The last 3,000 feet up to the top, you are above the clouds with beautiful views of the island when you see breaks in the clouds. The summit resembles the lunar surface of the moon so much that they had astronauts practice moonwalks here before they actually went to the moon. Before you get to the top, make sure you stop for lunch at Kula Lodge or on the way back down for supper. They have wonderful food and stunning views of the West Maui Mountains. I would plan a full day for this so you are not rushed, you don't want to miss driving up or down the mountains.

### 2. The Road to Hana

The Road to Hana is an experience more than a drive to get somewhere. There are approximately 600 curves with 54 one-lane bridges. Needless to say, you don't travel the Road to Hana very quickly. It is all about the scenery – jungle valleys and towering cliffs, with ocean waves as a backdrop.

Stunning is the word that keeps coming to mind in trying to describe the scenery. We actually only made it half way and had to head back due to time constraints that day. When we go back we will plan a full day for this. Be sure to pack a lunch and water for every one as the stores are limited along this road. Also, plan to get out of the car and hike to a few falls and bring some bug spray, this is on the wet side of Maui so there are a few mosquitoes.

### 3. Molokini Snorkel Cruise

This is a great way to see some of the underwater life that surrounds the islands. We left from Maalaea Harbor at 8:00 am and went out to the Molokini Crater, which acts as a wave barrier and provides very clear water to view underwater life. We saw many very colorful tropical fish and many types and colors of coral. After we left Molokini, we went to Turtle Town and almost everyone saw a sea turtle. Then it was time for lunch and the boat ride back to the harbor. Be sure to put on sunscreen and reapply after being in the water.

### 4. Blue Hawaii Helicopter Tour

We got to see some fantastic views of the waterfalls and tropical rainforest type scenery on our helicopter ride. They really do take you to places that you would not be able to see unless you are in a helicopter. One thing to note, the larger the helicopter is, the smoother the ride will be. The bigger helicopter will handle the bumps in the road (updrafts) better and will generally have more glass for unobstructed viewing. We had a great flight with a top-notch pilot that was knowledgeable about what we were viewing.

### 5. Luau

We attended two luau's on Maui and they were similar yet very different. A traditional luau is a feast featuring pork that is roasted in a barbeque pit and has Polynesian dancing for entertainment.

The Drums of the Pacific Luau; since I am a drummer, naturally I would like this one if it featured "The Drums of the Pacific", but it was much more than that. This is at the Hyatt Hotel in Kaanapali and it featured lots of drums, fire dancers and Polynesian dancers. The food was excellent and the

**“If you don't have a bucket list, you need to start one and put, 'go to Hawaii' in the number one spot.”**

show was too. This luau is easier to book and you should be able to get a spot if you book it a couple days in advance.

Old Lahaina Luau; this is more of your traditional luau where the dancers tell the story of the Hawaiian culture and history. There was a bigger cast at this luau as it took many dancers to tell the story of the history of Hawaii. The food here was excellent and the show was outstanding. This luau is harder to get into and you have to book this well in advance of your trip if you want to see it.

### 6. Sunset Dinner Cruise

We boarded the Maui Princess at 5:30 pm on our last day in Maui for a sunset dinner cruise. It was a wonderful way to end our time on the island. Our food was excellent and we had a great musician playing guitar and singing as we cruised the harbor. I was surprised how smooth the ride was. Booking a bigger boat works in your favor in this regard.

I am running short on room and time so I will list a few more things that we did on Maui:

- A. Visit the Maui Ocean Center in Maalaea Harbor Village.
- B. Tour the Maui Tropical Plantation.
- C. Visit Iao Valley State Park.
- D. Sit on the beach.

I think I will call it a day for this article. Next time I will write about our time on Oahu, our day trips to the Big Island of Hawaii and to the island of Kauai. ■

*Aloha!*



**Jim Radtke**  
CFO





# Local Organization Hosts Annual Event

How do you normally spend your Saturdays? If you have a dog, you most likely have the same daily routine. You let them out of the house to run around in the yard, use the bathroom and nourish them with their food and water. Then you usually have to let them outside again and eventually they just want to play around. Enjoying a walk with your best friend is something that a pet lover can't live without. On September 21<sup>st</sup>, members, friends, family and dogs all enjoyed walking to support a local organization in Williston.

Since the late 1990's, the MonDak Humane Society has not only been a group of animal lovers collaborating together to help and save lost or astray animals in the community of Williston, but they have been working hard to find them a place to call home.

The event all started with a small local rescue group in Williston, and later when they became the MonDak Humane Society organization, they continued on with the tradition.

"We had about a dozen attendees at our first Dog Jog and now this year the numbers reached to around 200 people," said Kathie Ostgulen, Treasurer of the MonDak Humane Society and has been involved since the beginning of the dog job event.

This year, around 200 participants joined in the event. This means that even more money was raised to help funding for MDHS. The event takes place at Spring Lake Park in Williston every year where they turn in their registration/pledge forms and then walk their dogs along the course. What can be more fun than that!

The importance of this event is simple. With the annual Dog Jog being the non-profit organization's biggest fundraiser, this event also provides funding

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and services for their annual spay/neuter clinic. The MDHS spay/neuter clinic is held each February at participating veterinary clinics in Williston and Watford City, North Dakota and Sidney, Montana. The annual Dog Jog is known as being a gathering staple for dog lovers and their dogs to gather, share stories, walk with friends and family and enjoy themselves while fundraising for a cause for the community of Williston.

Horizon Resources has always been a team that has joined together to help out in the community and joining the annual Dog Jog for MDHS was the organization that fit one group of ladies together.

"A gal from Horizon Resources put together a team called the 'Wagettes.' I got involved and brought along a few extra members," said Lana Bartels, Horizon Resources employee and participant of the MDHS Dog Jog for over four years.

Lana's dog, Brody, was a stray that found her family several years ago and joined the family forever. You could say that it was love at first sight for all of them.

The fun doesn't stop with walking. Door prizes are given to participants throughout the day, and even the dogs receive a bandana from MDHS and a treat bag. You will find nothing but laughter at this event. A silent auction was held during the Dog Jog to help further the proceeds for the organization. For the past several years, the organization has expanded the services that they offer at this annual event, including a photo booth for participants to receive a photo of them with their beloved pet. MDHS encourages their registrants to join their pet registry and receive a special tag for their dog.

This event is just one of a few that the MDHS does throughout the year. Another one of their main events



includes an annual Spay Day, which is a reduced cost spay and neuter clinic put together by MDHS and local community veterinary clinics. Having your pet spayed or neutered helps reduce overpopulation within animals.

Look for photos on the MDHS website and Facebook page, as well as details from the event. Volunteers are always welcome within the organization.

The MonDak Humane Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of animal welfare. The purpose, mission and ever-lasting goal of the organization includes the prevention of cruelty

to animals. The organization promotes an adoption program, which will seek suitable homes for animals without owners and the extension of humane education for the public and community. The organization is currently searching for a permanent home and shelter for the animals they have available for adoption. ■

## For further information on the MDHS:

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Photos from the 2013 Dog Jog event provided by ReNae Voger.



# Harvest Roundup



**Chris Quamme**  
Grain Division Manager

With harvest behind us, let's hope the "white combines" (hail) stay away. Fortunately, we have experienced pretty good crops this year. Crops are looking fairly good in the field, even with all the moisture we experienced.

Like most years around this time, the markets are showing they are on the weaker side. There has not been a lot of interest in buying any bushels from a majority of these areas. At the end of July, durum showed a decent spread over spring wheat, right under \$1.00.

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