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Community News

Tioga Medical Center Welcomes Teri Anderson, LMAC-LPCC Expanding Access to Mental Health

Tioga Medical Center is pleased to announce the addition of Teri Andersen, LMAC- LPCC, to its clinic care team as a full-time provider. "We are beyond thrilled to add Teri to our team of providers at Tioga Medical Center," says Jamie Eraas, Tioga Medical Center CEO. "We know access to mental health services is a huge issue across the country, so to be able to bring Teri into our community to help meet that need for our patients is exciting." A Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor and Licensed Master Addiction Counselor, Teri is dedicated to supporting individuals of all ages and families as they navigate mental health and substance use challenges. Her approach is compassionate, client-centered, and grounded in evidence-based practices that promote healing, resilience, and long-term wellness. Teri's addition to the Tioga Medical Center team expands access to vital mental health services, ensuring patients and families in the region can receive high-quality, trusted care without leaving their community. To make an appointment with Teri, call 701-664-3368.



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The Heart of the Community Center!

Community centers are often described as the heartbeat of a town—places where people gather, learn, grow, and connect. But behind every thriving community space are the individuals who make it feel welcoming, safe, and alive. At the center of this work:

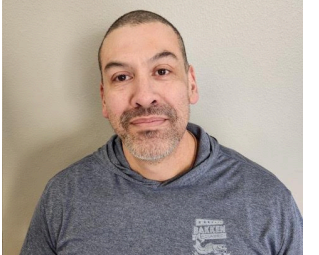
Kelsey Daffin, Braulio Castro, and Joy Sparks. Each brings a unique blend of passion, skill, and dedication that transforms the community center from a building into a true home for residents of all ages.

Kelsey Daffin, originally from Powell, WY and currently of Wildrose is the kind of person who strives to create a sense of community in the building. She also manages the apartments in the old Wildrose school, so she has experience creating a welcoming atmosphere. Kelsey and her husband Jacob have three children who attend school in Ray.

Braulio Castro, Easy going Braulio Castro brings his experience in the construction industry to the Center. He has the skills to help keep the building running and be there to help the patrons. Yesterday he taught a little guy how to use a pool cue and then repaired a vacuum. Braulio has family here in Tioga and moved from Las Vegas to be near his nieces and nephews.

Joy Sparks True to her name, Joy Sparks brings warmth and positivity wherever she goes. She's often the first face people see when they walk through the doors, and her welcoming spirit sets the tone for the entire center. Joy and her husband Owen live in Tioga with their daughter Kiya. Joy's grandparents lived in Tioga, so she watched the progression from the Farm Festival Building to the beautiful Community Center we have today.

A Team That Makes a Difference. Individually, Kelsey, Braulio, and Joy each bring something special to the community center. Together, they form a team that embodies what community service is all about: compassion, dedication, and a belief in the power of people coming together.



Tioga Historical Society is hosting a fundraising event on April 11!

We will be having a chili feed with cowboy bread. Water and coffee. Everyone is welcome to attend! We will also have a few games to play including bingo, pinochle, whist, and we will be drawing for the raffle that evening as well.

This Fall our building projects included finishing up all our cement work. Installing a heated floor. All the preliminary electrical and plumbing and sewer work were completed as well. Now we need to start raising money again to get our building moved in and set.

The building will be 80 x 100. It will have a replica of an older downtown Tioga inside which is going to be so fun for everyone to see. We do have a small to scale model of what the new building will look like in the current museum if anyone would like to see what our plans are. We will have a 30 x 40 community room in the new building that will be available for the public to use at no charge. It will be perfect for smaller events such as birthdays, showers, meetings. Now we just need to wait for warmer weather and get started on fundraising so we can get this beautiful asset to our town complete for all of us and future generations to enjoy. History is so important! Come out April 11 for a fun evening and to support The Norseman Museum! - Veronica McGinnity

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Over the years a lot has changed. From technology to tools to the ways we stay connected, but what hasn't changed is our commitment to local service, strong relationships and showing up for the people who rely on us every day.

Throughout the year we'll be sharing stories, special moments and throwbacks from our history, and there will be a few fun surprises along the way! From vintage photos and memorable milestones to community celebrations and events, this anniversary is all about honoring where we've been and getting excited about what's ahead. Be sure to watch our social media channels and upcoming newsletters so you don't miss any of the fun, nostalgia, celebrations and ways to join in. We can't wait to celebrate 75 years of connection with YOU!



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Inspirational Quote

You gotta try your luck at least once a day, because you could be going around lucky all day and not even know it!
-Jimmy Dean

Tioga Trivia

How many City of Tioga Commissioner seats are open for the June election?
Prev Edition Answer: Church of St. Thomas the Apostle est. 1914

Bible Verse of the Week

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart
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Williams County Boys and Girls Wrestling Season Recap

The Boys Firestorm wrestling team closed out an impressive 2025-2026 season with two individual state champions, 11 state qualifiers, a 9th place team finish, and a second straight appearance in the State Dual Tournament. Firestorm finished 7-4 in dual competition and earned the opportunity to compete in the State Dual Tournament for the second consecutive year. A meaningful accomplishment in front of the home crowd in our home gym.

During the regular season, Firestorm claimed tournament team titles at Tioga, Kenmare, and DLB, while finishing runner-up at Velva and Rugby. The JV team also showcased the program's depth by winning the State JV Team Championship. Junior Kash Brown (160) captured his second consecutive state title, completing an undefeated season. Brown scored bonus points in every state tournament match and only allowed just two takedowns all year. Sophomore Tristian Miller (121) earned his first state championship, also finishing undefeated. Miller recorded bonus points in each of his state matches and also surrendered only two takedowns during the season. Firestorm graduated five seniors who were key contributors: Carson Brunelle (139), Levi Jensen (145), Jeremiah Schmidt (152), Walker Sheldon (172), and Brennin Thuesen (189). All five qualified for state and combined for 137 wins this season. Additional state qualifiers included McCoy Jorstad (133), Gavin Davidson (215), Angus Wolla (107), and eighth-grader James Jespersen (127). Wolla, Jespersen, Jensen, Schmidt, and Sheldon were each one match shy of placing at the state tournament. In State Dual action, Firestorm pushed third-ranked Kindred in a competitive 35-21 loss, fell to Bowman County 46-20, and closed the season with a decisive 52-21 win over Pembina County in the seventh-place match. Other wrestlers on the dual team were 7th Grade Carson Placek 114, 9th grade Keven Eson HWT, alternates that we brought down that got to have the State Tournament experience were Leland Dennis (7th grade, 107), Weston Sheldon (9th grade, 121), Daxton Gilder (9th grade, 133), Nickolas Polglaze (9th grade, 139), Tavin Skalicky (Junior, 152) and Nolan Andorff (Sophomore, 215). At the JV State Tournament, champions included Daxton Gilder, Tavin Skalicky, and Gavin Davidson, with Nickolas Polglaze and Thatcher Davis finishing as runners-up. At the Junior High State, Thatcher Davis earned a title and James Jespersen placed second. With experienced leadership and a strong group of underclassmen returning, Firestorm Wrestling will continue to build momentum heading into next season.

Firestorm Girls Wrestling Earns Two State Placers in Strong 2025-26 Season The Firestorm girls wrestling team concluded the 2025-2026 season with two state qualifiers, both earning podium finishes in a highly competitive field that included 54 teams statewide. Senior Annalesia Bishop (130) made program history by becoming the highest state placer in Firestorm girls wrestling history with a fourth-place finish. Bishop also set multiple program records this season, including most takedowns in a single season (63) and most pins (22). Additionally, she ranked among the top six in the state in three-point nearfalls. Junior Lilli Bloom (170) delivered an impressive performance in a deep and competitive weight class, earning a seventh-place finish at state. Bloom recorded 21 pins on the season and led the team in technical falls with three. As a team, Firestorm brought home a runner-up trophy from the Velva Girls Tournament and consistently placed among the top 10 teams at tournaments throughout the season, demonstrating steady growth and competitiveness. The program will graduate three seniors: Annalesia Bishop (130), Kaylie Clingman (155), and Sara Taylor (155). Combined, they had a total win count of 75. Their dedication, work ethic, and commitment to improving themselves and their teammates have left a lasting impact on the program, and they will surely be missed. At the Girls West Region Tournament, Firestorm brought 11 athletes to compete: Alayna Wolla (100), Molly Danks (106), Julia Kingston (112), Isabella Weathersby (118), Janai Roldan (124), Annalesia Bishop (130), Meadow Meyer (148), Kaylie Clingman (155), Sara Taylor (155), Lilli Bloom (170), and Jazmine Lindberg (170). Several weight classes featured 24 or more competitors, adding to the challenge of advancing. Julia Kingston, Meadow Meyer, Kaylie Clingman, Sara Taylor and Jazmine Lindberg were one win away from state qualification. Looking ahead, girls' wrestling will move to a Class A and Class B format next season, creating new opportunities for team and individual success. With growing participation numbers and strong returning leadership, Firestorm Girls Wrestling continues to build momentum and remain eager to welcome new athletes to the program.



Congratulations to Coach Arlan Anderson!
State of ND Class B Boys Wrestling Coach of the Year!



Prayers to the Family of:

Alexander Kazantsev: September 14, 1938 - February 15, 2026

"May there be comfort in knowing that someone so special will never be forgotten."-Julie Hebert

Mark your calendars

- Mar 5: Dry Fork Township Annual meeting 5PM Community Center
- Mar 7: Equality Township 9AM Senior Citizens Ray ND
- Mar 10: Bicker Township 7PM Patty Jensen's
- Mar 10: Big Meadow Township 4PM Wildrose Firehall
- Mar 11: West Bank Township 5PM Tioga Senior Center

Tioga School Calendar

- Mar 4 & 11: Gearing up for Kindergarten 6:30PM
- Mar 6: End of Quarter 3
- Mar 11: School Board Meeting
- Mar 14-20: Close up @ DC



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