



*Theodore Roosevelt*  
MEDORA FOUNDATION

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# Thank You



Randy Hatzenbuehler  
TRMF President

**T**he TR Medora Foundation is grateful for you. Our visitors, volunteers, employees and supporters made the 2018 season one to remember and celebrate.

Unstable weather throughout most of June suggested that this year would be difficult. Better summer weather and a terrific *Medora Musical* rallied the season, and we finished with the third highest attendance year in our history – 117,500. We served more meals than ever at the Pitchfork Fondue.

Downtown was vibrant as well; we had ten artist-in-residence programs; more free performing arts and living history; and an expanded number of professional shows at the Old Town Hall and the Town Square Show Hall.

We celebrated the opening of the Elkhorn Quarters – this was a bigger job than anyone imagined. Thank you to every volunteer, employee and contractor who worked feverishly to make it happen.

We cried at the loss of “Cowboy Lyle.” All summer long at the *Medora Musical* we honored the memory of this icon of Medora. I wrote of Lyle, “He needed little, asked for even less, and received more affection, from millions of Medora visitors, than anyone I have ever known.”

Our vision “To connect people to Medora for positive life-changing experiences” happened often without our even noticing. But when John O’Leary spoke in August at the Old Town Hall, his inspirational story affected all who were fortunate enough to attend.

We were honored that former First Lady, Grace Link, and nearly 80 family members chose to celebrate her 100th birthday in Medora! She enjoyed touring the Arthur A. and Grace M. Link Gathering Space, at the Life Skills Center, that is so enjoyed by our employees and volunteers. Grace is simply wonderful – she celebrated her 100th birthday by making a major gift, as only someone with an amazing spirit and optimistic view of life can do: with a 3-year pledge! You inspire us Grace!

Please read about the *Medora Wish Endowment* that has been started by Don and Patty Clement and Mike and Vicki Zaun; they would be thrilled to have you join them in growing this fund that primarily aims to make Medora more affordable for families.

We plan to grow to 125,000 people attending the *Medora Musical*. Priority projects include a park with a new mini-golf, zip line, cool new activities for kids, and more. As funding is available, we will improve the entry-and-exit system at the Burning Hills Amphitheatre.

Medora is in a new era with a timeless product – quality, family friendly, values-based experiences that combine history, education and entertainment. Thank you for visiting. Thank you for being members. Thank you for sharing Medora with your friends. And in some very important instances, thank you for choosing to include Medora in your legacy giving plans.

From all of us at the TR Medora Foundation, we wish you an enjoyable and blessed holiday season.

A handwritten signature in brown ink that reads "Randy".

# Medora

## 2018

### BY THE NUMBERS

#### **Medora Musical**

**117,580** people attended the  
2018 *Medora Musical*

#### **Pitchfork Steak Fondue**

**48,505** people served at the  
*Pitchfork Steak Fondue*

#### **Medora Volunteers**

**618** TRMF Volunteers - 2018  
**44** TRMF Volunteers - 1998

#### **Annual Members**

**908** Personal Annual Members  
in 2018 season

#### **Business Members**

**6,189** people attended *Medora Musical*  
using 88 Business Members’ Season Passes

#### **Old Town Hall Theater**

**17,000+** attended ‘Broadway in the  
Badlands’ shows





# Under Harold's Hat

TRMF's Founder and First Board Chairman Harold Schafer was well-known for a faded old felt hat covered with pins and buttons from people he had met and places he had been. A lot of wisdom emanated from under that hat, and each issue we bring you some of that, from Harold's extensive files and those of his Gold Seal Company.

## 'The Greatest Optimist I Have Ever Met'

(Continuing with our peek into the correspondence files between Harold and Antoine "Tony" de Vallombrosa, grandson of the Marquis and Medora de Mores, after Harold had purchased the Marquis family's holdings in Medora. Here's an exchange of letters from 1963. Try to imagine Harold onstage as Teddy Roosevelt!)

February 24, 1963

Dear Friend Harold,

I cannot let the New Year in without sending you my best wishes as my past year's trip to Bismarck and Medora was for me one of the highlights of 1962—it was greatly so thanks to you and your understanding.

Here I am thousands of miles away and yet frequently I think of you as the greatest optimist I have ever met. This was confirmed by reading very completely the 20th anniversary Gold Seal Report. (Harold had mailed Tony a copy of his company's full-color 20th anniversary report.)

So whenever I feel depressed and need a good example I think to myself all I need is a little more will power.

I have been exercising plenty to get back in shape but the going is still rough—circulatory problems and varicose veins are difficult to eliminate.

I hope you are in good shape. I enjoyed visiting your horse ranch and your hospitality. I was sorry not to see your New York associates and expect to reach them next time.

Knowing you are obviously continuously coming with new ideas and making constructive use of them, I would very much appreciate hearing more about your fabulous Gold Seal Co. Also if any major activities around Medora and the Badlands are being considered I would enjoy keeping up with what is going on.

Hoping this long letter is not boring you. I feel again sorry not to have been able to personally thank all the very kind people I met in Bismarck.

Very sincerely,

Antoine de Vallombrosa

June 13, 1963

Dear Friend Antoine,

I was in Medora and worked all day Monday this week. Among other things I find out that I own the original little home your grandfather lived in before he built the chateau. We got to checking and it has the old square nails on the siding and is still standing exactly where it was, on the north side of the Rough Riders Hotel. I am thinking of ripping off a few lean-to sheds that have been built on it and preserving it as a historical unit. (Note: eventually this building became the little white Bake Shop, which sat beside the old Rough Riders Hotel for many years, and has now been converted to a guest house just down the street to the south of the Hotel.)

The drama, *Teddy Roosevelt's Life in North Dakota*, is starting the 26th of June in the Burning Hills Amphitheater. Please keep in mind our past conversation and some summer when you have nothing to do and want a little excitement, spend a few weeks with me in Medora – you play the part of your grandfather and I'll play the part of Teddy Roosevelt, or one of the cattle rustlers – I think it would be fun. I gave your name to Mr. and Mrs. Andre Richard who plan to visit in France in the next week or two. Andre is the manager of our Andre Richard Division of the Gold Seal Company in New York City. If they happen to be anywhere near you, they may give you a call.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Schafer

## Medora In The Spotlight!

For the second year in a row, the *Medora Musical* caught the attention of the national media, when the *NBC Nightly News with Lester Holt* featured our long-running production. A *New York Times* Sunday story in 2017, and *NBC Nightly News* this summer—Wow! With the help of all our TRMF supporters, the news of the good work in Medora is spreading!





# Ask President Roosevelt



Joe Wiegand  
as President  
Theodore  
Roosevelt

*"Ask President Roosevelt" is a feature of the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation Member Newsletter, the Rough Riders Review. For five summers, veteran TR reprisor, historian, and actor Joe Wiegand has brought Theodore Roosevelt to life on the matinee stage at Medora's Old Town Hall Theater. During the off-season, Joe travels the country as TR, representing the Medora Foundation. As part of every performance, in character as TR,*

*Wiegand takes questions from the audience.*

**How will you spend your winter, Colonel Roosevelt? Any big plans for the summer ahead?**

The winter of 2018 and 2019 will provide many opportunities to spread the word about Medora throughout the United States. Among the most special will be visits to New York's Theodore Roosevelt Birthplace National Historic Site in Manhattan and the Sagamore Hill National Historic Site in Oyster Bay, Long Island, both American treasures managed by the National Park Service.

Prior to the official start of winter, I will salute Seth Bullock, Bat Masterson, Jack "Catch 'Em Alive" Abernathy,

and others in a public performance for the United States Marshalls Museum in Fort Smith, Arkansas, on December 3, 2018.

The January 12 & 13, Festival of the Cranes at Joe Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge in Huntsville, Alabama provides an opportunity to celebrate wildlife, wildlife habitat, and Brigadier General Joe Wheeler, the commanding officer of all cavalry in the Cuban theater of the Spanish-American War.

Working with Ermuun Bulgan and Grace Ward of the TRMF Group Sales office, I'll visit with friends at the American Bus Association annual gathering in Louisville, Kentucky.

January concludes with performances for Florida's Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge and the Wildlife Society of Colorado.

February includes adventures in Cuba, as nearly one hundred North Dakotans join me and TRMF's Randy Hatzenbuhler for a ten-day Caribbean cruise to Cuba, followed by TRMF entertainments and additional appearances in Arizona, and March will include the annual Pelican Island Wildlife Festival in Sebastian, Florida.

For more information on the Winter 2018-2019 TR Tour Schedule visit [www.teddyrooseveltshow.com](http://www.teddyrooseveltshow.com)

## Teddy Roosevelt Rides Again!

The Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation is pleased to announce that Joe Wiegand will return as Theodore Roosevelt for the 2019 through 2021 summer seasons.

Joe is the nation's premier Theodore Roosevelt reprisor, and he has performed as TR in Medora every summer since 2012. Now Joe will remain a staple of Medora's summer entertainment for the next three years.

"Medora is the gateway to Theodore Roosevelt National Park, and for over half a century we have been known as the home of the world-famous family entertainment, the *Medora Musical*," said TRMF President Randy Hatzenbuhler. "Increasingly, we are a destination for people who are big Theodore Roosevelt and American history fans, and they are coming to see the world's best TR in a one man show at our Old Town Hall Theater. These seven seasons of Joe's 'TR Salute to Medora' have been an increasingly popular part of our growing family entertainment experience. We are delighted to announce that Medora will continue to present and sponsor a world class one man TR show performed by a world class guy!"

In addition to performing his six day a week afternoon matinee at the Old Town Hall Theater, Joe appears as TR for family and business groups in Medora, and performs throughout the country on behalf of TRMF and its mission to preserve the legacy of Theodore Roosevelt's experience in the North Dakota Badlands.

"Theodore Roosevelt famously said that he would have never become President but for his experiences here in North Dakota, and that if he could only retain one memory from his lifetime he would choose to remember



Joe Wiegand welcomes a couple of Medora visitors in front of our statue of Theodore Roosevelt outside the Old Town Hall Theater.

his time as a cattle rancher along the Little Missouri River in the Badlands," says Joe. "It is an honor and a pleasure to be an actor and an historian who brings TR to life in Medora."







# A Very Special Letter from 'The Flower Girl'



*If you get up early in the morning in Medora, you're likely to see a young lady named Jaimie Okusko with a water can and a hose in downtown Medora, watering the hanging flower baskets and flower beds. Jamie's one of our most dedicated employees, and has been with us for five summers in Medora. This year, we recognized Jaimie's efforts by giving her the "Glory of Work and the Joy of Living Award," sponsored by two of our Medora volunteers, Van and Dee Larson. Jaimie loves her job. And she told us so in a letter we received from her at the end of the season.*

Dear Fellow TRMF Employees,

Good Morning and thank you for the wonderful recognition in selecting me to receive the Glory of Work and Joy of Living award. I was not aware that I had been nominated and so you can imagine my surprise when I opened my mail the other day. To be honest, I am still more than a bit surprised and forever humbled by this recognition. This was my fifth summer working with you in Medora and I cherish every minute of it. To be able to work in such a beautiful place with individuals as amazing as you all are is truly a blessing.

This summer numerous guests and colleagues shared with me a number of words to describe their experience in Medora. I heard words and phrases such as "Perfect," "Beautiful," "Hidden Treasure," "Magical," and "Norman Rockwell-like." All of these words, and many more, describe Medora . . . but they do not completely capture what makes Medora so special.

In order to do that, one needs to really consider what each of you brings to your work in Medora; you are kind, generous, loving, compassionate, humorous, diligent,



Jaimie (left) and a co-worker watering flowers in Medora.

understanding, and patient. You are quick to reach out a hand to those in need. You give of yourselves generously and without hesitation. You are kind and love unconditionally. You continue to remain positive even in the face of the strongest adversity. You truly do treat each and every person like they are family.

Medora, YOU have changed more than my life; you have changed and enhanced my way of life. I carry you all with

me each and every day. In this world, where we face negativity and opposition around each corner, the love and compassionate attitude of each of you keeps a smile firmly on my face and love in my heart.

For you see, I do not come to Medora just to water flowers and sell popcorn, I come to replenish my soul and to store up positive energy. I come to visit and spend time with you, my family.

In closing, please remember that YOU are what makes Medora so special. You are what keeps me coming back. I pray that the Lord continues to bless you and all those whom you love.

Peace,

Ms. Jaimie Okusko (the Flower Girl)

## BOOKS WE RECOMMEND

### ***Pacing Dakota***

BY DR. THOMAS D. ISERN



Where's the best Fleischkuechle in North Dakota? What's the REAL recipe for Redeye? Can you still find sod houses on the North Dakota prairie?

North Dakota State University history professor Dr. Tom Isern answers those and a few hundred other questions about North Dakota in his new book "*Pacing Dakota*." You might know Isern from listening to his "*Plains Folk*" essays on North Dakota's public radio stations. Now he's collected those essays in a 250 page book, reflecting on the history and culture of the Great Plains, and, more specifically, North Dakota.

Isern "speaks for a generation born and raised on the Great Plains of North America and committed to making a good life in this place," the book's promo material says.

North Dakota residents can get a signed copy of "*Pacing Dakota*" for a Christmas present by sending a check for \$32.20 to the book's publisher, NDSU Press, NDSU Dept. 2360, P.O. Box 6050, Fargo, ND 58108-6050. If you live out of North Dakota, go to [www.ndsupress.org](http://www.ndsupress.org) to order a copy, or check online booksellers. It's also for sale at most North Dakota bookstores.



# Medora Wish Endowment: Making

**T**he Medora Wish Endowment might just be the most exciting project TRMF has ever undertaken!

"When we talk with our board members, our staff, and longtime Medora Foundation supporters, there's an instant reaction of excitement," says TRMF President Randy Hatzenbuehler.

Medora Wish is a giant step in fulfilling Harold Schafer's dream for Medora.

"Harold Schafer wanted to make sure Medora was authentic, and, most importantly, affordable for families," says Randy Hatzenbuehler. "That's the goal of the Medora Wish Endowment."

Medora Wish Endowment was the idea of two TRMF board members and their wives, Don and Pat Clement and Mike and Vicki Zaun. Don and Mike were in a hunting cabin one night, talking about their service on the TRMF board, and how they might help Medora in the future, after their board terms expired.

The two shared their ideas with their wives, and Medora Wish was born, with major gifts from the two families to get the endowment started.



Mike & Vicki Zaun

The idea was to help families who might not otherwise be able to afford a full Medora weekend experience. Medora Wish will enable TRMF to offer more free stuff to kids who come to Medora with their parents.

"Right now, kids get in free to the *Medora Musical* two nights a week," said Don



Don & Pat Clement

The Medora Wish Endowment could make those things possible."

"And maybe teens could golf free at Bully Pulpit," added Mike Zaun. "We participated in the creation of the Medora Wish Endowment to provide another way for supporters to *primarily* help fund family participation in Medora activities, and also to provide funding for less privileged people to experience Medora."

"The very future of Medora lies in our ability to provide an affordable experience to *all* families," says Don Clement.

**This fall, the TRMF board formalized the program with two major goals:**

- To help fund additional "KIDS FREE" days at various Medora attractions or events each year, like the ever-popular Kids Day at the *Medora Musical* that now happens each Wednesday and Sunday during the season.

Clement. "Wouldn't it be wonderful if they could get in free every night, even weekends? Or get free ice cream? Or free pizza? And maybe even a free horseback ride on a Badlands trail?"



TRMF Board m

## John Wright Is Our First Wish Beneficiary

**J**ohn Wright of Spearfish, SD, was the first recipient of an all-expenses-paid trip to Medora as a beneficiary of TRMF's new Medora Wish Endowment program. John has multiple handicaps and loved the idea of visiting Medora, but lacked the resources. So last summer John and his mother took their first trip together in more than ten years as guests of TRMF. "It was one of the most heartwarming days in all my time in Medora," said TRMF President Randy Hatzenbuehler. "Watching John and Bill Sorensen touring the Burning Hills Amphitheatre made me realize this is one of the best programs we've ever come up with in Medora. I look forward to many more days like this."



Bill Sorensen and John Wright: New best friends on a tour of the Burning Hills Amphitheatre

# ing Harold's Dream Come True!



Member and Medora Wish Endowment Founder Don Clement with the next generations of *Medora Musical* visitors.

- And to periodically help cover the cost of travel, ticketing, lodging and/or other expenses related to sponsoring an inspirational trip to Medora, for a person who could not otherwise experience it for physical, mental, or other limitations. (We hosted our first guest, John Wright, under this program this summer.)

Randy says the goal is to grow the endowment to \$5 million—with a short-term goal of a million dollars by the end of 2018. We're already halfway toward that goal, and the matching gift challenge from the Arthur and Edith Pearson Foundation could get us there by the end of the year.

In addition to the match from the Pearson Foundation, gifts to the endowment of \$5,000 or more qualify for the North Dakota 40% tax credit. Talk to your financial adviser about taking advantage of this generous North Dakota tax benefit, or give Joslyn or Randy or Bill in our office a call at 701-223-4800, to become part of this exciting program!

## **Your Gift To The Medora Wish Endowment Will Be Matched!**

**T**he Arthur and Edith Pearson Foundation has pledged to match all gifts to the Medora Wish Endowment, up to \$200,000. Please help us take advantage of this generous offer by becoming a Medora Wish donor today. All gifts over \$5,000 are eligible for the North Dakota 40% tax credit. **Contact Joslyn today at 701-223-4800 to become part of this matching gift program!**

## **Become A 'Medora Wish Wrangler'**

**G**ifts to the Medora Wish Endowment of \$25,000 or more will be recognized as "Medora Wish Wranglers" -- a legacy that will be recognized forever as we grow and help more families with the Medora Wish.

We are also happy to assist you in contributing with an IRA rollover or estate giving options, or to help you take advantage of tax savings by contributing to this qualifying endowment.

**Join these Medora Wish Wranglers today:**

- Don & Pat Clement -- Bismarck, ND  
-- Co-creators and lead donors
- Michael & Vicki Zaun -- Gold Canyon, AZ  
-- Co-creators and lead donors
- Arthur and Edith Pearson Foundation
- Lorraine & Bruce Furness -- Fargo, ND



# Three Weekends of Christmas Fun in Medora

There's lots to see and do in December in Medora this year—three full weekends of special pre-Christmas events. Here's details, and ticket and registration information.

## Magical Medora Christmas Show

NOVEMBER 30 & DECEMBER 1

The *Magical Medora Christmas Show* kicks off the events November 30 and December 1 with three shows, at 7:30 Friday and Saturday nights plus a matinee at 3:00 on Saturday.

You can make it a magical weekend with our Stay and Play Package—two tickets to the show, two tickets for a wonderful Roast Beef Christmas Dinner and a relaxing night at the Rough Riders Hotel. The whole package for two is just \$194.80 plus taxes and fees.

To reserve your weekend getaway, or buy tickets to the Christmas Show, just go to our website, [medora.com](http://medora.com), and click on "Tickets."



A *Magical Medora Christmas Show* returns to Medora November 30 and December 1



Medora will be all decorated up for Christmas again this year.

## Medora's Old Fashioned Cowboy Christmas

DECEMBER 7, 8 & 9

Medora's Old Fashioned Cowboy Christmas has become one of our favorite holiday traditions, and this year we're celebrating in the streets of Medora December 7-9. Enjoy Hayrides, Eats on the Streets, Children's Crafts, a Cowboy Hall of Fame Cowboy Party, Dancing, Live Entertainment, and a visit from Santa Claus.

A full schedule of events is available at the Medora CVB's website, [medorand.com](http://medorand.com). And you can make it a whole weekend by booking rooms at the Rough Riders Hotel on our website, [medora.com](http://medora.com).

## Bold St. Nick's Winter Fat Bike Race

DECEMBER 15

Be bold, and brave the cold, during the coolest mountain bike race this side of the Little Missouri River—the Third Annual Bold St. Nick's Winter Fat Bike Race. The creators of the famous Maah Daah Hey 100 bring you this winter fatbiking event in heart of the winter Badlands on December 15.

A fun and challenging five-mile loop in and out of Medora starts and finishes at the Badlands Pizza and Saloon at noon. After the race you can enjoy sitting around the fire pits on the patio, a Christmas dinner, and family movie night at the Rough Riders Hotel.

This year, all the laps ridden by participants will be tallied up and donations, based on the number of laps, will be made by our sponsors to the Home On The Range's Adventure Therapy Program.

Find all the details, and register to ride at [experienceland.org/bold-st-nicks-fatbike-race/](http://experienceland.org/bold-st-nicks-fatbike-race/)



Santa leads the way in Bold St. Nick's Fat Bike Race

## Daniel Gannarelli Appointed Annual



TRMF Annual Giving Director Daniel Gannarelli

**M**Meet Daniel Gannarelli, TRMF's new Annual Giving Director. Daniel has joined Joslyn Tooz (You might remember her as Joslyn Reichert, but she got married last summer) and Bill Sorensen in our development department.

Daniel's new to his job of overseeing our membership program and finishing up the Seat Sponsorship program at the Burning Hills Amphitheatre,

but he's not new to Medora—for the past five years he's been working in Medora as a marketing assistant to our marketing director, Justin Fisk. Daniel's excited to be moving to Bismarck this winter to join our Bismarck team, but he'll be going back to Medora in the summer to help do customer service training for our staff.

Daniel's a North Dakotan, born and raised in Rugby, and he received his marketing and communications degree from UND. We hired him right after college graduation in 2014, and he's been with us ever since. Working with Justin, he was key in handling our e-mail and social media marketing programs, photography, in-house graphic design work – and was a regular host



# Magical Medora Christmas Show Hits The Road Again

**N**ow in its fourth year, Medora's hit Christmas show is coming to a community near you! *A Magical Medora Christmas*, featuring former stars of the *Medora Musical*, will perform for audiences in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota and Montana.

During 30 shows in 24 communities, *A Magical Medora Christmas* features vocal performances by the amazing Emily Walter, the multi-talented former Broadway star Jared Mason, and the wonderful Broadway soloist Job Christenson. And this year they're again joined by Chad Willow, longtime musician extraordinaire and former band leader of the Coal Diggers!

Throughout the show, Wild West Prestidigitator Bill Sorensen will wow you with magic true-to-the-season, and light-hearted humor the whole family will love.

*A Magical Medora Christmas* opens November 24 in Steele, ND, and then travels to South Dakota for the first time, playing in Ipswich and Spearfish on Nov. 25th and 26th, and closes on December 22 with two shows in Bloomington, MN. The show often sells out, so don't wait to order tickets. You can buy tickets online at [Medora.com](http://Medora.com), or you can get them at one of the places listed in the schedule.



Medora's Prestidigitator Bill Sorensen will again serve as host for the *Magical Medora Christmas Show*.

DATE	TIME	CITY	VENUE	TICKETS ALSO AT
Nov. 24	4:00	Steele	Kidder Co. School	Kidder Co. Angels
Nov. 25	4:00	Ipswich, SD	Ipswich High School	VFW
Nov. 26	7:30	Spearfish	Spearfish High School	Chamber & Perkins
Nov. 27	7:30	Glendive	Dawson Co. High School	Chamber
Nov. 28	7:30	Watford City	Watford City High School	Watford City Banks
Nov. 29	7:30	Williston	Williston High School	Williston CVB
Nov. 30	7:30	Medora	Old Town Hall Theater	Rough Riders Hotel
Dec. 1	1:30	Medora	Old Town Hall Theater	Rough Riders Hotel
Dec. 1	7:30	Medora	Old Town Hall Theater	Rough Riders Hotel
Dec. 2	7:30	Mandan	Mandan High School	Dan's Super Market
Dec. 4	7:30	Minot	MSU Nelson Hall	Minot CVB
Dec. 5	7:30	Minot	MSU Nelson Hall	Minot CVB
Dec. 6	7:30	Devils Lake	LRSC Fawcett Aud.	Devils Lake CVB
Dec. 7	7:30	Ellendale	Trinity Bible College	Ellendale Banks
Dec. 8	7:30	Fargo	Fargo South High School	Hornbacher's
Dec. 9	7:30	Fargo	Fargo South High School	Hornbacher's
Dec. 10	3:00	Grand Forks	Empire Arts Center	Empire Arts Center
Dec. 10	7:30	Grand Forks	Empire Arts Center	Empire Arts Center
Dec. 12	7:30	Grafton	Grafton High School	Grafton Chamber
Dec. 13	7:30	Park Rapids	Park Raids High School	Park Rapids Chamber
Dec. 14	7:30	Detroit Lakes	Middle School	Holmes Theater
Dec. 15	7:30	Alexandria	Lake Geneva Center	Elden's Food Fair
Dec. 16	4:00	Henning	Henning School	Landmark Center, 1st Nat. Banks
Dec. 17	7:30	Wahpeton	NDSCS Stern Center	Econofoods
Dec. 18	7:30	Jamestown	Reiland Arts Center	Hugo's
Dec. 19	7:30	Bismarck	Belle Mehus Aud.	Dan's Super Market
Dec. 20	7:30	Valley City	VCSU Vangstad Aud.	Eagles Nest Book Store
Dec. 21	7:30	Fergus Falls	Center for the Arts	Center for the Arts
Dec. 22	3:00	Bloomington	Masonic Heritage Center	Masonic Heritage Center
Dec. 22	7:30	Bloomington	Masonic Heritage Center	Masonic Heritage Center

## al Giving Director

giving Behind the Scenes Tours at the *Medora Musical*.

"Becoming an Annual Member of TRMF is an 'above and beyond' effort. Our Annual Members help make Medora better," Daniel says. "Their gifts are really important to help improve the Medora experience for all our guests. I'm eager to spend my days talking to people about memberships and how important they are to us."

It's that time of year again, time to renew your membership, so if you're a 2018 TRMF Annual Member and ready to sign up again for 2019, or want to become a new member, give Daniel a call at (701) 223-4800.

## Valentine's Day IN MEDORA

### SAVE THE DATE

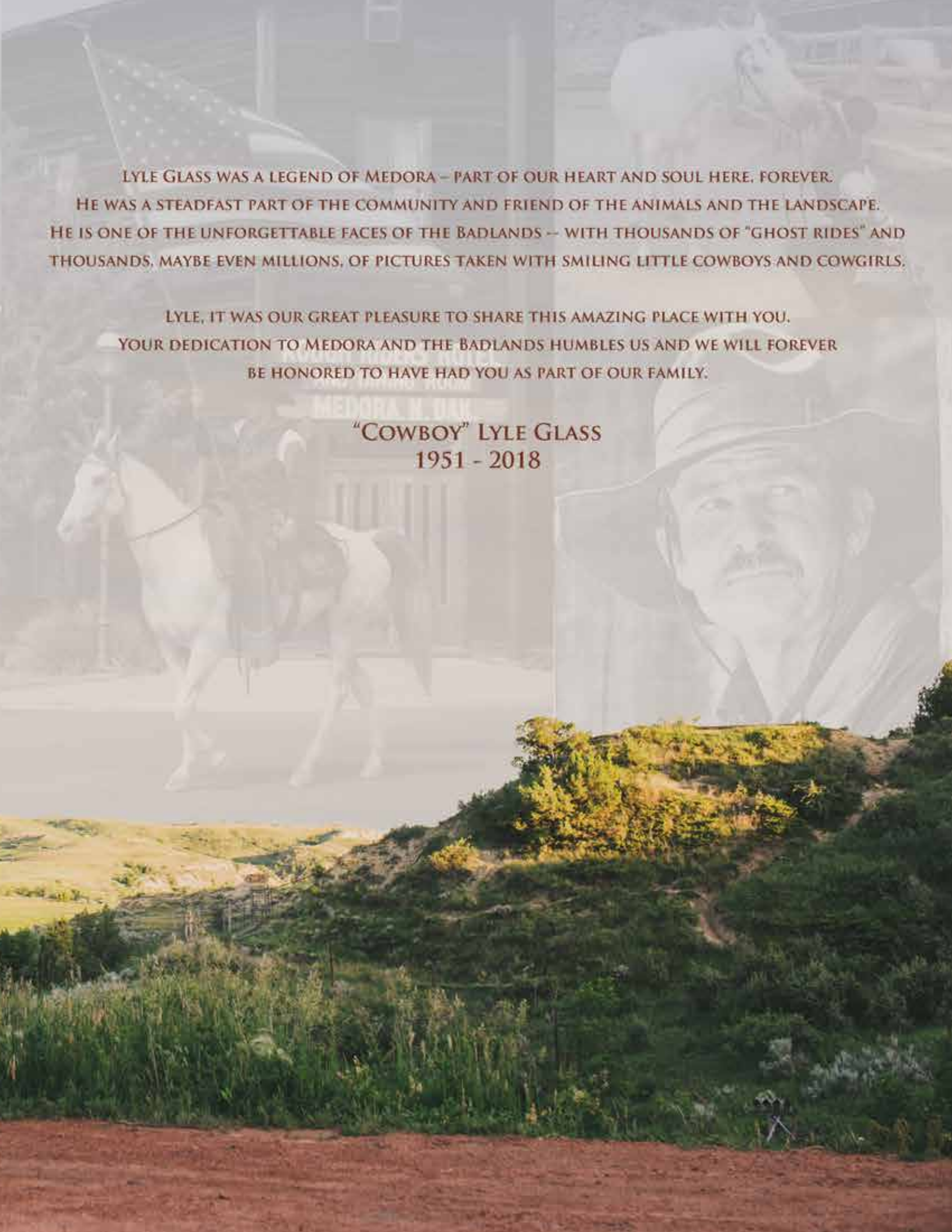
"Romance in Medora: A Valentine's Day Event"  
is on February 8 & 9!

Details and registration at our website,  
[medora.com](http://medora.com).









LYLE GLASS WAS A LEGEND OF MEDORA – PART OF OUR HEART AND SOUL HERE, FOREVER.  
HE WAS A STEADFAST PART OF THE COMMUNITY AND FRIEND OF THE ANIMALS AND THE LANDSCAPE.  
HE IS ONE OF THE UNFORGETTABLE FACES OF THE BADLANDS – WITH THOUSANDS OF “GHOST RIDES” AND  
THOUSANDS, MAYBE EVEN MILLIONS, OF PICTURES TAKEN WITH SMILING LITTLE COWBOYS AND COWGIRLS.

LYLE, IT WAS OUR GREAT PLEASURE TO SHARE THIS AMAZING PLACE WITH YOU.  
YOUR DEDICATION TO MEDORA AND THE BADLANDS HUMBLER US AND WE WILL FOREVER  
BE HONORED TO HAVE HAD YOU AS PART OF OUR FAMILY.

“COWBOY” LYLE GLASS  
1951 - 2018



## Vision

We connect people to Medora for positive, life-changing experiences.

## Mission Statement

**Preserve** the experience of the badlands, the historic character of Medora and the heritage of Theodore Roosevelt and Harold Schafer.

**Present** opportunities for our guests to be educated and inspired through interpretive programs, museums and attractions that focus on the Old West, our patriotic heritage, and the life of Theodore Roosevelt in the badlands.

**Serve** the traveling public, providing for their comfort while visiting historic Medora, the badlands and Theodore Roosevelt National Park.

## Values

We show **respect** for people and place.  
We deliver **excellence in hospitality**.  
We **work** with creativity and integrity.  
We are a family who values **family**.



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Harold Schafer (1912-2001)

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