

Junior Rough Riders Journal



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Theodore Roosevelt
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a video message from**



PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT

as he hikes Pancratz Trail in Medora!



Hello, Junior Rough Rider!

Whenever I journey into the Badlands, I have to pinch myself a little bit. The mountains, the colors, the wild animals... it's all so incredible.

But that amazing environment is not guaranteed! In fact, a lot of people spend their time and effort making sure the Badlands—and every beautiful place across the country—are still here for our children, and our children's children, to enjoy years from now.

Theodore Roosevelt often spoke about what he called "the great central task of leaving this land even a better land for our descendants than it is for us." In this Junior Rough Riders Journal, we'll share tips for leaving your favorite places better than you found them. You'd make TR proud!

Bully!



A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Olson".

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ROOSEVELT & THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Theodore Roosevelt was born in New York City—but his heart belonged to nature. So when he became President of the United States, he made it his mission to preserve places like the Badlands forever!

Here are some facts about Teddy Roosevelt you might not have known before:



DID YOU KNOW?



Theodore Roosevelt owned two ranches in what is now North Dakota: the Maltese Cross Ranch about 7 miles south of Medora, and the Elkhorn Ranch about 35 miles north.



He published three books about his ranching and hunting experiences.



His favorite game was one he invented called point to point—fast-paced walks through the woods, cliffs, and streams with one rule: whatever obstacle lie ahead, you must never go around, but always over, under, or through it! (By the way—that's why our new water park is named Point to Point! It will be open next summer.)



As President, TR established 150 national forests, 51 federal bird reserves, 4 national game preserves, 5 national parks, and 18 national monuments on over 230 million acres of public land.



Roosevelt once said: "I never would have been President if it had not been for my experiences in North Dakota."



The teddy bear is named after Teddy Roosevelt! Why? Because once, on a hunting trip, his friends cornered a black bear, tied it to a willow tree, and suggested Roosevelt shoot it. But TR refused, because he saw it as unsportsmanlike. A cartoonist heard the story and drew it—and then a candy store owner made a stuffed bear dedicated to TR. The teddy bear was born!

A

LEGENDARY

story... on stage in Medora!

It's one thing to drive through the Badlands... but camping underneath the stars in the great outdoors is a whole different experience!

Well, when an inexperienced young camper decides to do that, he's visited by a whole lot of interesting, legendary people from Medora's past. They teach him important lessons about conservation, safety, and responsibility.

But it's not all serious, trust me! You'll see wacky costumes, bubble machines, magic... and maybe even an appearance from Sheriff Bear!

So when you make your trip to Medora, don't miss **Legendary: A Campfire Tale**! And scan the QR code at the bottom of this page with the camera on your phone to hear a personal message from the stars of the show!



LEGENDARY: A CAMPFIRE TALE

Thursdays and Sundays at 11 AM
Andrist Stage in Downtown Medora
Free of Charge!



**Scan this code for a fun
Medora sing-along hosted by**



Colleen Reinhardt
Junior Rough Rider Attaché



And see her perform live in Medora!
Thursdays at 5:00 PM at the Townsquare Patio
Mon-Tues at 3:00 PM and Fridays at 2:30 PM at
the Andrist Stage!

“LEAVE YOUR CAMPSITE CLEANER THAN YOU FOUND IT!”

That’s an old saying—and a code that campers have lived by for generations. But it doesn’t just apply to camping! Here are some simple steps you can take to make sure your favorite places are clean and beautiful for years to come—whether it’s your backyard, your town, or your favorite national park!



Turn off the faucet while you’re brushing your teeth to save water!

Fact: The Environmental Protection Agency says leaving the water running while brushing your teeth wastes an average of four gallons each time.

With your parents’ help, **plant a tree in your yard!**

Fact: On average, one tree produces nearly 260 pounds of oxygen each year.



If you see litter, safely put it in a garbage can.

Fact: Flowing rivers, wind, and rainwater eventually push almost all litter into the ocean.

**Coming to Medora? Stop by the
Medora Convention & Visitors Bureau
for a free CLEAN-UP KIT!**

**It'll give you tools to clean up your community—and
when you pick up a kit, Keep Nature Wild will pick up
one pound of trash!**

While supplies last. Limit one per child. Medora CVB is located at 330 Pacific Ave, Medora, ND 58645



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