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Welcome to the City of Alliance Activity Report

- ~ The annual Central Park Fountain Festival will be held on Thursday, June 24th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. in Central Park at 10th and Niobrara. There will be food, live entertainment, stained glass and storytelling! Three garden items including a 55 gallon rain barrel, Noah's Art birdhouse, and Adirondack Chair and Ottoman will be offered as raffle items. Tickets are available from any Alliance Park Foundation member and at the festival.
- ~ The berm area directly west and south of Big Blue Bay is in the process of being groomed into a natural tall grass area. This area will not be mowed as we continue to allow native grasses to self-seed and spread. The Parks Division will continue to apply herbicide to eliminate weeds in that area. The goal of this project is to utilize tall native grasses to reduce water requirements as well as to control litter and debris from blowing into the pool and clogging the filtration system. If you have questions regarding this project, please contact the Cultural and Leisure Services Department at 762-2384.
- ~ The installation of a new outdoor warning siren to augment the City's other four outdoor warning sirens has been completed. The new siren is located in the area of 8th and Sweetwater at the old tennis courts. The Alliance Police Department and the Alliance Volunteer Fire Department would like to encourage citizens to purchase a weather alert radio for their homes to enhance the outdoor warning siren's capabilities.
- ~ The Alliance Park and Tree Board is making preparations for the annual Sunday in the Park celebration which will take place on Sunday, July 25th. A vital part of this event is showcasing local talent. Anyone interested in performing at this year's celebration is asked to contact the Knight Museum and Sandhills Center at 762-2384. Performance time is limited and time slots will be given on a first come first served basis.
- ~ In response to requirements from the State Historic Preservation officer, the City of Alliance is considering making changes to a previously developed Streetscape Design for Box Butte Avenue. The design element in question is a curved area of exposed aggregate concrete and brick along the curb line which is not considered historically accurate. The curves can be straightened to produce a straight band of exposed aggregate concrete bordered by brick along the curb. The support of the State Historic Preservation office is needed to receive federal funding for the renovation. The public is encouraged to contact members of the City Council or City of Alliance staff regarding this required change to make your opinions known.
- ~ Skyview Golf Course will be hosting the annual DeMolay Father/Son Tournament on Sunday, June 20th and the Women's Panhandle Seniors Tournament on Monday, June 21st. Please contact the golf course at 762-1446 for more information.
- ~ A fireworks retail permit must be obtained prior to Friday, June 25th for anyone wishing to sell fireworks in the City of Alliance. Please contact the Community Development Department at 762-5400 extension 221 for an application. There will be no fee for the permit. When applying for the permit, an approved copy of the State Fireworks License will be required.