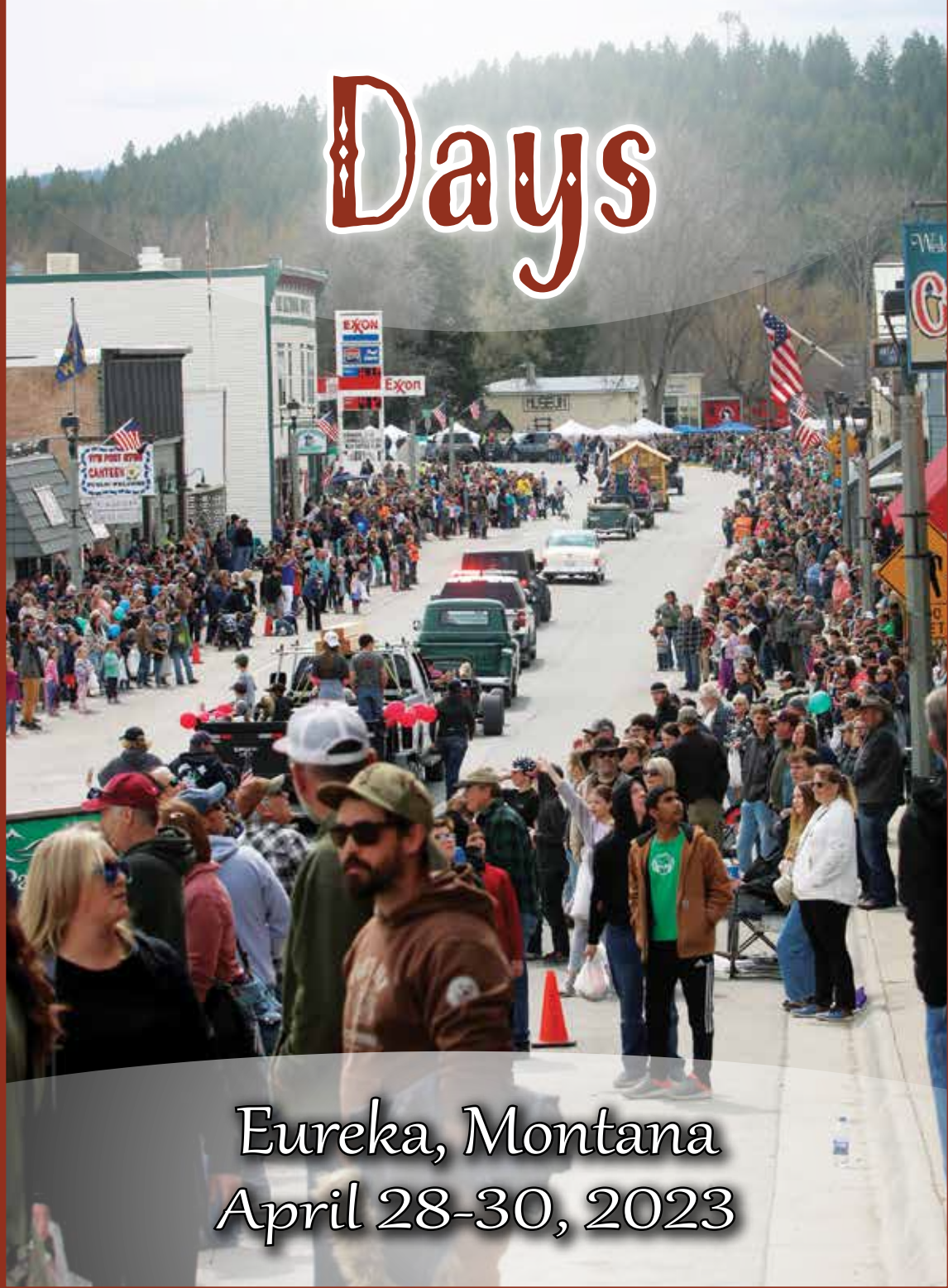


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*Veterans lead the 2022 Rendezvous Parade.*

# Welcome, from the Eureka Area Chamber of Commerce

The Eureka Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes you to the Eureka Rendezvous Days! We are proud to continue to host this traditional event in our community. This year we bring you the 44th Rendezvous.

The Eureka Rendezvous Days are more than an annual event in our community. It is a weekend full of community camaraderie where we come out of the winter and celebrate the start of spring, where we connect with our neighbors and make new friends. We come together as a community to celebrate our heritage and this great area we call home. We hope you join us, bring your friends and family and join in the festivities.

The mission of the Eureka Area Chamber of Commerce is to promote a healthy business community by providing support, resources, and services for the members. The Eureka Rendezvous Days continues to be our largest event, and we hope you and your family and friends will continue to join us and have a wonderful time.

The Chamber work focuses on building a stronger business community. Many of our businesses go above and beyond for Rendezvous Days and throughout the year. Please show your support of our business community and say thank you for their continued dedication in being part of Rendezvous. Their support allows us to do what we do. Support them and make sure to shop locally during the Eureka Rendezvous Days.

For more information on Eureka Rendezvous Days and on the Eureka Area Chamber of Commerce, please visit our Chamber's Website at [www.welcome2eureka.com](http://www.welcome2eureka.com). This website is set up to do online registration for the Village Vendors and to secure your sponsorship today. Please check it out and if you would like to learn more or have any questions, call our office at 406-297-4636.

Office hours are Tuesday and Thursday 10-2, Wednesday 11-3. Thank you and enjoy the 2023 Eureka Rendezvous days.

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There's something for everyone, so come enjoy a cup of coffee and a baked good while you do your shopping. Mother's Day and Father's Day are right

around the corner. You may find that extra special gift you've been looking for!

We are located at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds on Osloski Rd. We will be open Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Camping is also available at the fairgrounds with electrical hook-ups if needed. Tents and campers are welcome. A nominal camping fee is required, which is payable to the Lincoln County Fairgrounds.

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# Annual Rendezvous Parade

The Rendezvous Parade Committee is excited about this year's parade, featuring bands, floats, old and not-so-old cars, and many other exciting things.

This year's parade theme is "Trappers & Traders."

The parade starts at noon on Saturday, April 29, beginning at the Eureka Middle School parking lot and proceeding on Sixth St. to and down Dewey Ave. and dispersing at the Historical Village.

Entrants, please be lining up at the middle school parking lot by 11 a.m.

For any questions, please contact Blanche Flanagan, 882-4619. Check out the website for the parade categories at [eurekamontana.org](http://eurekamontana.org).



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*Volunteers Tom Sarlo, Terry Cullen and Don Stacy dish up pancakes in 2022.*



*A pair of contestants compete in the Battle of the Arms.*

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*A youngster is transformed into a favorite character at the face painting booth.*





*A bagpipe band marches in the 2022 Rendezvous Parade.*



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For \$5, you can purchase a Get Out of Jail Free button that keeps you from spending time in Eureka's first jail at the VFW. You also have the option to place a fun warrant out on someone for \$5. That person will be picked up and brought to jail. If they do not have a Get Out of Jail button, they must pay \$5 to get released.

All proceeds go to the VFW, which supports our veterans and the community.

# The Gold Rush at Glacier Bank

**T**he Gold Rush, the annual gold-digging event for kids aged 0-10, sponsored by Glacier Bank, will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 29, on the plaza upstairs at Glacier Bank.

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## Music Festival

**T**he Bloomin' Howlers Music Festival will be held in Riverside Park in Eureka on Saturday, April 29. The festival will be featuring local area musicians from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., taking a break during the noon parade.

The featured artists will be Tim Helnore, Patrick McCurry and Jessica Hill and several more local artists.

## Car Show

**T**he Wanderer's Car Club will be holding a car show at the InterBel parking lot down at the Historical Village area in Eureka on Saturday, April 29, after the parade until 4:00 p.m. This year the car show will be featuring a people's choice award. Participants must register their car. Voting and registration will be available at the site of the car show. Voting is open until 3 p.m. - one vote per person. The award will be presented at the end of the show. So come see some awesome rides and vote for your favorite! Contact Becky and Ken Farnum at 406-882-4824 and leave a message. We will get back to you.



Participants make their way through the course at the David Thompson Black Powder Shoot.

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# David Thompson Black Powder Shoot

**T**he Tobacco River Muzzleloaders invite everyone to the David Thompson Black Powder Shoot, 1.5 miles north of the intersection of Highways 37 and 93, on the west side of Highway 93 N., across from the Indian Springs Ranch entrance.

Events run Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. The public is welcome all day and every day of the shoot. Visitors also are welcome to visit and stroll through the Primitive Campground.

The event promotes the black powder sport and the

fact that David Thompson was the first non-native to come through the area and map it.

Plans for this year's shoot include events for youth, including a PeeWee shoot at 2 p.m. Saturday after the parade. Kids must be accompanied by a parent. Blanket prizes will be awarded.

Also there is a dynamite shoot Saturday night at 5 p.m. with a \$5 buy-in and a prize for the winner.

And watch for the candy cannon shot on Saturday.

For more information, contact Jerome Johnson at 889-3845 or Leigh Erickson at 297-2183.



*Neil Duram, left, guides Jesse Best of Columbia Falls through the walking course at the David Thompson Black Powder Shoot.*





*Trego singer Tim Helnore performs in 2022.*

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*Dancers from the Creative Arts Dance Studio march in the Rendezvous Parade.*



*Tad Cross of Eureka participates in the David Thompson Black Powder Shoot.*



*Actress Lori Stoffer appears at a parade past in costume for a Eureka Community Players production.*



Enthusiasts gather at the 2022 car show.



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*Bouquets of balloons bob over the heads of volunteers and children in 2022.*

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*Mark Simpson of High River, Alberta, admires the quilts at the Scraps and Threads Quilt Show at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds.*



*Mark Morain of Libby joins in at the David Thompson Black Powder Shoot.*



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*The 2022 parade boasted a fancy Thunderbird.*



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# Rendezvous Run



*Runners help each other get ready for the start of the 2022 Rendezvous Run.*

**E**ureka Rendezvous Days will be hosting the 10th Annual Rendezvous Run – 5k Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, April 29 at 9 a.m. at the Indian Springs Ranch golf course north of Eureka.

We are hoping for a great turnout from the Eureka community as well as the surrounding Lincoln County and Flathead Valley areas, and our visiting Canadian neighbors. This event is a way for families and friends to participate in a fun, healthy community activity.

All proceeds from this event will be used to support the Roodell Scholarship.

For info contact Patrick Broom at: 406-471-3038.  
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*Contestants sprint out of the starting gate in the 2022 race.*



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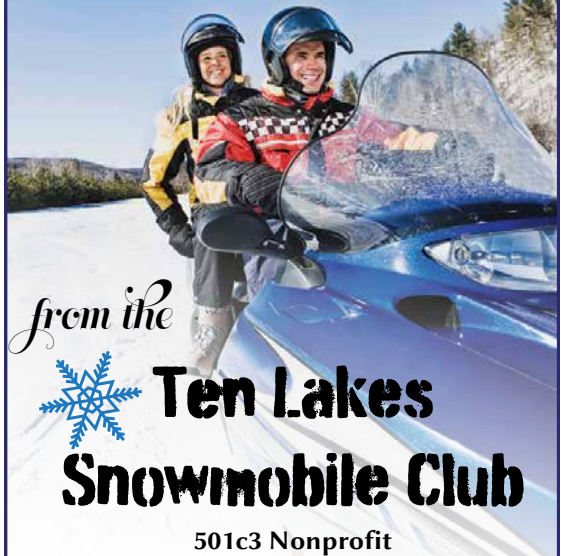
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# Scraps & Threads Quilt Show

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This year's theme is "Our Montana Home." Our boutique and vendors will offer a variety of quilts and quilted items, fabric and sewing notions.

Many of the large hanging quilts and quilted items in the show are also available for purchase. Please stop by and enjoy the show.

All visitors to the Quilt Show are invited to vote for their favorite quilted projects displayed around

the room on Saturday. Ribbons will be awarded for Sunday's viewing.

Voting categories include: Best Large Quilt, Best Medium Quilt, Best Small Quilt and other Quilted items, Best Miniature Quilt, Best Theme Quilt and People's Choice.

In addition to the show's projects, the Guild's 2023 raffle quilt, named "Our Montana Home" after the theme of the show, will be on display. The guild will also raffle off a basket.

Tickets are \$1 for one or six tickets for \$5. Proceeds benefit the Guild's various projects throughout the year. For more information, contact Jan Nelson at 889-9566.



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A contestant splatters through the mud bog.



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# Rendezvous Mud Bog

The Eureka Dune Runners, a local all-volunteer club, is once again hosting this year's Rendezvous Mud Bog. This year will be the 20th year of Eureka Dune Runners!

The event will be held on Airport Road between the landfill and Can-Am Search and Rescue. Follow the signs.

The Mud Bog will get started on Saturday, April 29, at 2 p.m., and tech-in times will be from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

It will be a busy day, so we are sorry to announce that we will not be able to accommodate any late entries.

Admission will be \$10. Kids 10 and under are free.

You might be tempted to run your stock pickup or jeep, so go for it. There are cash prizes and trophies for every class, and a class for every style of rig.

For more information, a copy of our rule book or a testimonial of just how much fun it is to play in the mud contact Steve and Karen, 889-5360.



*Young riders progress down Dewey Avenue in the Rendezvous Parade.*

## Battle of the Arms

This will be the 32nd annual amateur arm wrestling tournament at the First & Last Chance Bar, located at 7906 Highway 93 N., north of Eureka.

The tournament is sanctioned by the American Arm Wrestling Association and will have an official write-up in Arm Bender Magazine.

The event will be Saturday evening, April 29, with weigh-ins from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The tourney starts at

7 p.m. sharp. There is an age limit of 18 and over, no cover charge, and free T-shirts to the first 50 entries. The tournament is double elimination. Entry fee is by weight divisions - \$25 first class, additional class \$15. Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded.

Contact Cody at (406) 309-0878 for additional information.

## Trap Setting Competition

The First and Last Chance Bar is hosting the third year of the Trap Setting Competition.

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Contestants Joe Fehr and Reed Guckenberger get into position to arm wrestle at the 2022 Battle of the Arms.

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## VFW Keg Toss & Live Music

VFW Post 6786 is growing the annual keg toss with the addition of live music. This year we're shaking things up by putting up a stage and hosting a Rendezvous BBQ Bash. The Groove Riders will be taking the stage around 1 p.m., bringing a high energy mix of rock, blues and funky soul.

The four piece band made a name for themselves after winning The Flathead's Got Talent contest in 2020. The keg toss will get underway around 3 p.m.



*At right, contestant Nathan Duram competes in the VFW keg toss.*





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## Community Play

The Eureka Community Players are bringing back their traditional old time melodrama for the Eureka Rendezvous weekend. “No Opera at the Op’ry House Tonight or Too Good to Be True” by Tim Kelley is a full-length melodrama with all the wonderful characters that we all expect to see in melodramas: a hero, a heroine, a villain and all the great and funny people that fill out the cast.

An old-fashioned melodrama written with a fast, contemporary flair, “No Opera at the Op’ry House Tonight” is set in the Arizona Territory during the 1890s. The Salami Opera Company is about to fall part in the dusty hamlet of Desert Rat. And that foul villain, Baron Wolfgang von Wolfpack, knows that the prima donna, Alma Pumpernickle, is about to inherit a fortune in gold mines. He’d force her to marry him at once except that she has no title, and the family pride prevents him from marrying a commoner. To solve his dilemma, he enlists the aid of a notorious confidence woman, Lily Liverspot. It is she who discovers that the young

nobleman, Count Omitt, is living incognito as Billy Bright, a composer so poor he cannot afford a piano, so he hums. Lily, through shady means, schemes to have the young people married so Alma will have a title. After an annulment, Wolfpack will be able to marry her and claim her unsuspected wealth. Lily arranges a hilarious marriage, but before Wolfpack can claim his prize, he must reckon with the outrageous Madame Violetta (whose operatic performance “must be heard to be depreciated”). The action climaxes with hilarity!

Twists and turns, booing and hissing, cheering and applauding all add up to a fun-filled show for the whole family.

Performances are Friday April 28 and Saturday, April 29 at 7 p.m. Sunday’s show is at 3 p.m. All performances are at the Timbers Event Center. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for children and seniors. Tickets are available at the door.

“No Opera at the Op’ry House Tonight” is produced by Jeremy D. Cook, CPA.



*Kegs are hurled far afield in the 2022 VFW Keg Toss.*



*Musicians perform at Riverside Park in 2022.*

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# Village Vendors

The Eureka Area Chamber of Commerce Rendezvous Committee invites you to participate in the annual Rendezvous Vendor Village Arts and Crafts Fair in the Historical Village Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This annual event brings together artists and creators from all over Northwest Montana.

Vendors will be selling their wares in the Village. All food vendors will be in Riverside Park.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor, please contact Kathy Ness at the Eureka Area Chamber of Commerce office, 297-4636.



Gretchen Lancaster of Eureka dresses up for the Rendezvous Parade.



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*Anneston Jones of Trego takes aim at a target at the David Thompson Black Powder Shoot.*

# Senior Center Breakfast

Get a good start for all of Saturday's activities at the Tobacco Valley Senior/Community Center. The center is holding its annual breakfast fund-raiser on April 29, from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sip on hot coffee while enjoying a hearty breakfast. All proceeds go towards the running and improvement of the center throughout the year.

Don't forget to stop in on Monday and Thursday nights 4-6 p.m. to enjoy soup, salad, and hearty home cooked dinners, or pick up lunch on Wednesdays.

Volunteers are always needed and always welcome! Please call us at 297-2188 and leave us a message if we aren't here.



*Pancakes sizzle on the griddle.*



*Welcomes you to the annual*

# Rendezvous BBQ Bash!

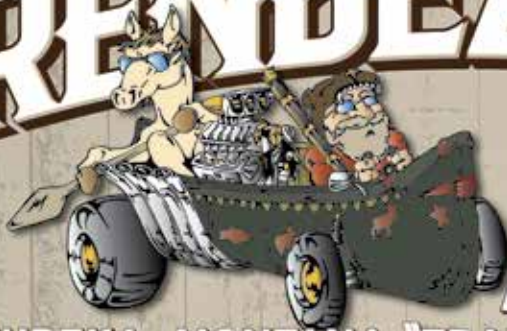
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*Schedule of Events*

**THURSDAY -- APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>**

11:30am 2:30pm 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Appreciation Luncheon Coldwell Banker 513 US Hwy. 93 N

**FRIDAY -- APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>**

8:00am 4:00pm David Thompson Black Powder Shoot Hwy 93 North  
 7:00pm 9:00pm Eureka Community Players "No Opera at the Op'ry House Tonight" Timbers EVENT Center  
 7:00pm 10:00pm NEW - KARAOKE CONTEST- featuring LOCAL MUSICIANS Jerrys Saloon

**SATURDAY -- APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>**

7:00am	11:00am	Tobacco Valley Senior Center Breakfast	Senior Center
8:00am	*****	David Thompson Black Powder Shoot	Highway 93 North
9:00am	10:00am	<b>RENDEZVOUS Fun Run</b>	Indian Springs Ranch
9:00am	5:00pm	Village Vendors - Games, Music & FUN!	Historical Village
9:00am	5:00pm	<b>RENDEZVOUS Quilt Show</b> sponsored by Scraps n Threads Guild	Lincoln County Fairgrounds
9:00am	5:00pm	Flea Market & Craft Show	Lincoln County Fairgrounds
10:00am	4:00pm	<b>Bloomin Howler Music Festival</b>	Riverside Park
10:00am	11:00am	Glacier Bank Gold Rush	The Plaza at Glacier Bank
11:00am	*****	VFW Auxiliary Feed	VFW
NOON	*****	<b>44<sup>th</sup> Annual RENDEZVOUS PARADE!</b>	Downtown Eureka
After Parade	3:00pm	Lancaster & Co Annual BBQ	Lancaster Office
After Parade	*****	VFW Rendezvous Jail/Photo Shoot	VFW
After Parade	4:00pm	Wanderers Car Club Carshow	Historical Village
1:00pm	5:00pm	RENDEZVOUS BILLIARDS Tournament	Jerry's Bar - Fortine
2:00pm	4:00pm	<b>RENDEZVOUS MUDBOG!</b>	Airport Road
2:00pm	*****	David Thompson Black Powder Shoot	Hwy 93 N. (watch for signs)
3:00pm	5:30pm	VFW KEG TOSS!	Behind VFW - Downtown
3:00pm	9:00pm	<b>RENDEZVOUS CORNHOLE Tournament</b>	Jerry's Bar - Fortine
3:30pm	6:00pm	Primitive Campground - Stroll & Visit	Hwy 93 N. (watch for signs)
4:00pm	*****	Mountain Man Trap Setting Competition (reg 2:00-3:30)	First & Last Chance Bar
7:00pm	9:00pm	Eureka Community Players "No Opera at the Op'ry House Tonight"	Timbers EVENT Center
7:00pm	*****	70's Night at the Roller Rink	New Park Roller Rink
7:00pm	10:30pm	<b>32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Arm Wrestling (weigh-in 3:00-6:00)</b>	First & Last Chance Bar
9:30pm	10:30pm	<b>RENDEZVOUS "DARTS CONTEST" Tournament</b>	Jerry's Bar - Fortine



**SUNDAY -- APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>**

8:00am	10:00am	David Thompson Black Powder Shoot	Highway 93 North
10:00am	*****	RENDEZVOUS Antique Car Workshop	Lincoln County Fairgrounds
10:00am	4:00pm	<b>RENDEZVOUS Quilt Show</b> sponsored by Scraps n Threads Guild	Lincoln County Fairgrounds
10:00am	4:00pm	Flea Market & Craft Show	Lincoln County Fairgrounds
3:00pm	5:00pm	Eureka Community Players "No Opera at the Op'ry House Tonight"	Timbers EVENT Center

*The above schedule is subject to change.*

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