

Marking 150 years since President Abraham Lincoln signed historic legislation creating the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Land Grant College System and the Homestead Act.

The People's Celebration!

“The Agricultural Department....is rapidly commending itself to the great and vital interest it was created to advance. It is precisely the people's Department, in which they feel more directly concerned than in any other.”



Thursday, Nov. 8 Event Center

Richland County
Fairgrounds
Sidney, MT

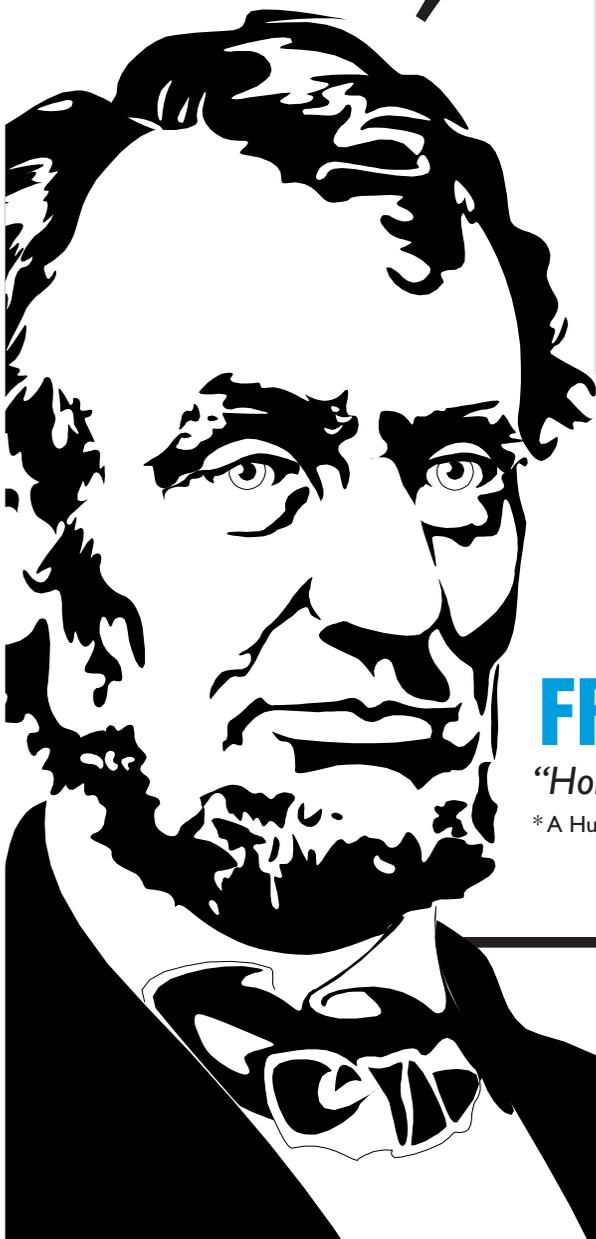
Open House: 1-5 pm

Door Prizes, Displays, Speakers
Demonstrations, Birthday Cake
Kid Art, Photo, & Lincoln Family Exhibits

FREE!

Speaker Schedule

- 2:00 pm *Emerald Ash Borer*
Gary Adams, USDA, APHIS, Helena
- 2:30 pm *Born in the Dust Bowl: Building Soil Health*
Mark Henning, USDA, NRCS, Miles City
- 3:00 pm *RD Programs for Oil-Impacted Communities*
Tony Preite, USDA, Rural Development, Helena
- 3:20 pm **Birthday Cake with Abe's cousin!**
- 3:40 pm ... *History of the Forest Service & Dakota Prairie Grasslands*
“Smokey Bear” and Speaker from USDA, FS, Watford City
- 4:10 pm *Wheat Stem Sawfly Management*
Tatyana Rand, USDA, ARS, Sidney
- 4:40 pm *Historical Homesteading Review*
Benjamin L. Clark, MonDak Heritage Center, Sidney



Awards Dinner: 6 pm Richland County Conservation District

No-Host Social at 5:00 PM • Meal tickets: \$12.00/person
To reserve your tickets, call 433-2103 x101 by Nov. 5th

FREE! Historian Hal Stearns*: 7 pm

“Homestead Dreams: From High Hopes to Lingering Legacy”

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Participating Institutions/Individuals:

- Richland County Conservation District • MSU Richland County Extension • MSU Eastern Ag Research Center • MonDak Heritage Center • Bill Brenner • Agricultural Research Service • Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service • Farm Service Agency • Forest Service • Natural Resources Conservation Service • Rural Development • School Lunch Program • WIC/SNAP Programs

Open House food donated by USDA employees; Open House door/photo contest prizes donated by the MonDak Heritage Center and employees with FSA, NRCS, ARS and RCCD.