

Miss America Returns to Williston

Miss America 2018, Cara Mund will be the featured speaker at the Make A Wish luncheon on Friday, June 8 at 12 noon at the Old Armory in Williston.

Tickets will be \$25- per person with proceeds going to Make A Wish. Tickets will be limited and will be available after May 20. Call Marilyn McGinley 701-577-7009 or 701-571-3434 or marilynmcginley@outlook.com or the Williston CVB 701-774-9041.

Cara's personal platform is "Make A Wish Passion with Fashion" At the young age of 14, she founded North Dakota's annual Make A Wish Fashion Show. For ten years, Cara has brightened 24 Wish Kids' lives. She became a " Certified Wish Granter" and has raised over \$80,000 for Make A Wish. In 2011, President Barack Obama recognized Cara's charitable efforts and at the 2018 Miss America competition, Cara was honored with 1st Runner-Up to the Jean Bartel Quality of Life award, receiving an additional \$4,000 scholarship. At Cara's Homecoming in Williston, she was able to grant a wish to a young boy local boy. There have been four Make A Wish recipients from Williston in recent years Mund is the first North Dakotan to become Miss America. Only three other Miss North Dakotas have reached the TOP TEN at the national competition; Donna Grotberg Guttierrez 1976; Tina Curran 1988; Roxana Saberi 1996.

Cara will also be a part of the Miss North Dakota and the Miss North Dakota Outstanding Teen productions on Wednesday, June 6 through June 9 at the Bakken Auditorium at 7 p.m. each night. Tickets are available at the CVB.

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