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One, in February, was the arrest of a 35-year-old man, whose current address is Williston, who was reported to the department for soliciting sex with the male owner of a local rental property.

An officer contacted the man and arranged a meeting at what the department calls its "set," an off-site location it uses for drug buys and where supporting and armed officers provide backup and can clamp, but not to touch, the film the transaction.

In this case, the male prostitute came to the location carrying a duffel bag, went into the bathroom and emerged wearing a wig, purple women's lingerie, black fishnet stockings and sling back high heels.

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Herfindahl regularly checks a website where women list their working names, phone numbers and communities they're working out of. This past week, there were none working in Watford City, eight in Williston and three in Minot.

"I think the world's getting out of control," he said.

To illustrate how easy it is to make a "date," he called a number, talked to "Holly," and set up a plan to call her when he got to the lobby of the Airport International Inn in Williston. Over the speaker-phone, she could be heard to say, "It's \$300, for one hour."

A message left with Holly to be interviewed for this story has not been returned. Others named Veronica, Hailey and Nicole allegedly disconnected calls for interviews.

The Airport International Inn did not respond to two calls for comment.

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She had the vitality of Theodore Roosevelt. I don't know of anything Patti Perry couldn't do once she set her mind to it. And though she was more likely to say "Bully" than "Bully!" she relished life and increased the joy and courage of everyone she ever encountered. When TR died on Jan. 6, 1919, Vice President Thomas Marshall said, "Death had to take him sleeping. For if Roosevelt had been awake, there would have been a fight." That's actually the first thing I thought of when I heard the news.

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 ■ Open AA, 11 a.m., Ridge Hotel, Mandan.
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PUBLIC EVENTS:
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 ■ Knit-In, noon-3 p.m., cedesigns and Yarn Shoppe, 417 E. Broadway Ave.

SERVICES:
 ■ AA Hotline. Info: 222-2100.
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Prostitution in the oil patch

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me, asking if we were gonna do it. I gave him \$300 and said we had a deal," Herfindahl. At the word "deal," his two backup officers emerged and the arrest was made. The man pleaded guilty and was fined \$500. "I haven't seen that before and I hope I don't again," he said. The case that bothers the police chief most of all also involved a man, but this one wasn't selling sex, he was trying to buy it. In that case, the man was at the local drive-in in Watford City and engaged a young male waiter in conversation. He left a substantial tip and a written note, "If you would like some extra money, call me," with a fictitious name and actual cellphone number. The young man, thinking the offer might be for truck driving or oil field work, called and met the guy at his truck at a nearby gas station. "Within a few minutes, the conversation 'got dirty,'" and the man said he was willing to pay \$150 for sex. The younger man said he was 16 but said he wasn't aged and to the potential severity of the contact) and jumped out. He went to the police, who used the note to make their own contact. Herfindahl, undercover, got the same solicitation. "I arrested that guy" for two counts of hiring an individual to engage in sexual activity, also a Class B misdemeanor, he said. He said that case sticks with him as being the most reprehensible. "Some kid should be able to work at a store in town without some guy soliciting him, but that's all he hears. They're all kind of sad," he said. So far, Herfindahl's are the only prostitution arrests in McKenzie County. McKenzie County Sheriff Ron Rankin said his officers have looked into three reports of potential prostitution. One, reportedly involving high school girls, was turned over to Fort Berthold Indian Reservation tribal police because of the jurisdiction. Two others, one at a rural location and one in nearby Alexander, went "poof" when officers tried staking out the location, Rankin said. "Traffic is still our worst problem here," the sheriff said. There are fairly frequent and unsubstantiated rumors of women soliciting from truck to truck when drivers are lined up at disposal wells, both lawmen said. Both said there isn't any evidence of a prostitution ring and Herfindahl said none of the cases involved human trafficking, in which the women are under physical or financial duress, or juveniles. So far, the department hasn't set up an operation with the intent of busting both the prostitute and her

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doctor about." I settled for goal save. She took care of everything and not so much herself. She was as tender as she was tough. She was an outstanding conversationalist, although at the brickbat end of the spectrum. She had a natural gift for seeing through baloney, and making sure offenders knew they were full of it. Once, when I did something especially silly, Patti gave me her mock-angry look — an eye exaggerated from but her eyes filled with mirth — and said, "There are two kinds of stupid. There's stupid, and then there's YOU." Somehow that was an affirmation and a statement of affection, as were almost all of Patti's insults. Virtually her favorite phrase, during the years when I knew her best, was, "You make me crazy!" She spoke the words "you

make me" in standard North Dakota English, but she had a way of lingering on "crazy" until she milked it for all that it was worth. I got to the point in spending time with Patti that I was disappointed if she didn't issue forth at least one "You make me craazie" in the course of a day's adventures. Both times I liked the Little Missouri River, she played a central role — as guide, goad, and court jester. When I was hungry, she gave me meat. When I was thirsty, she gave me drink. When I needed shelter, she took me in. When I was sick, she nursed me back to health. This was the code by which she lived, and it was just one of the many whose lives she improved. When I was married in 1986, it was on top of Perty

Butte. Patti made the long climb to the scoria cap, possibly even shed a tear during the ceremony, and then told me if I ever asked her to climb Perty Butte again she would tie me to a cottonwood tree and cut off my arms and legs just for fun. She had the vitality of Theodore Roosevelt. I don't know of anything Patti Perry couldn't do once she set her mind to it. And though she was more likely to say "Bully" than "Bully!" she relished life and increased the joy and courage of everyone she ever encountered. When TR died on Jan. 6, 1919, Vice President Thomas Marshall said, "Death had to take him sleeping. For if Roosevelt had been awake, there would have been a fight." That's actually the first thing I thought of when I heard the news.

I loved Patti Perry. I'm going to miss her immeasurably. My life, and the lives of many who knew her, are the less for her premature departure. I'm a little unhappy with her, to tell the truth, because if I had been in the ICU she would have burst into my room, no matter what the station nurses told her, and said, "Get your ass out of that bed, let's get out of here." Patti Perry, you make me craazy. (Clay Jenkinson is the Theodore Roosevelt Center scholar at Dickinson State University, as well as Distinguished Scholar of the Humanities at Bismarck State College and director of the Dakota Institute. He can be reached at jeffsage@aol.com or through his website, jeffersonhour.org.)