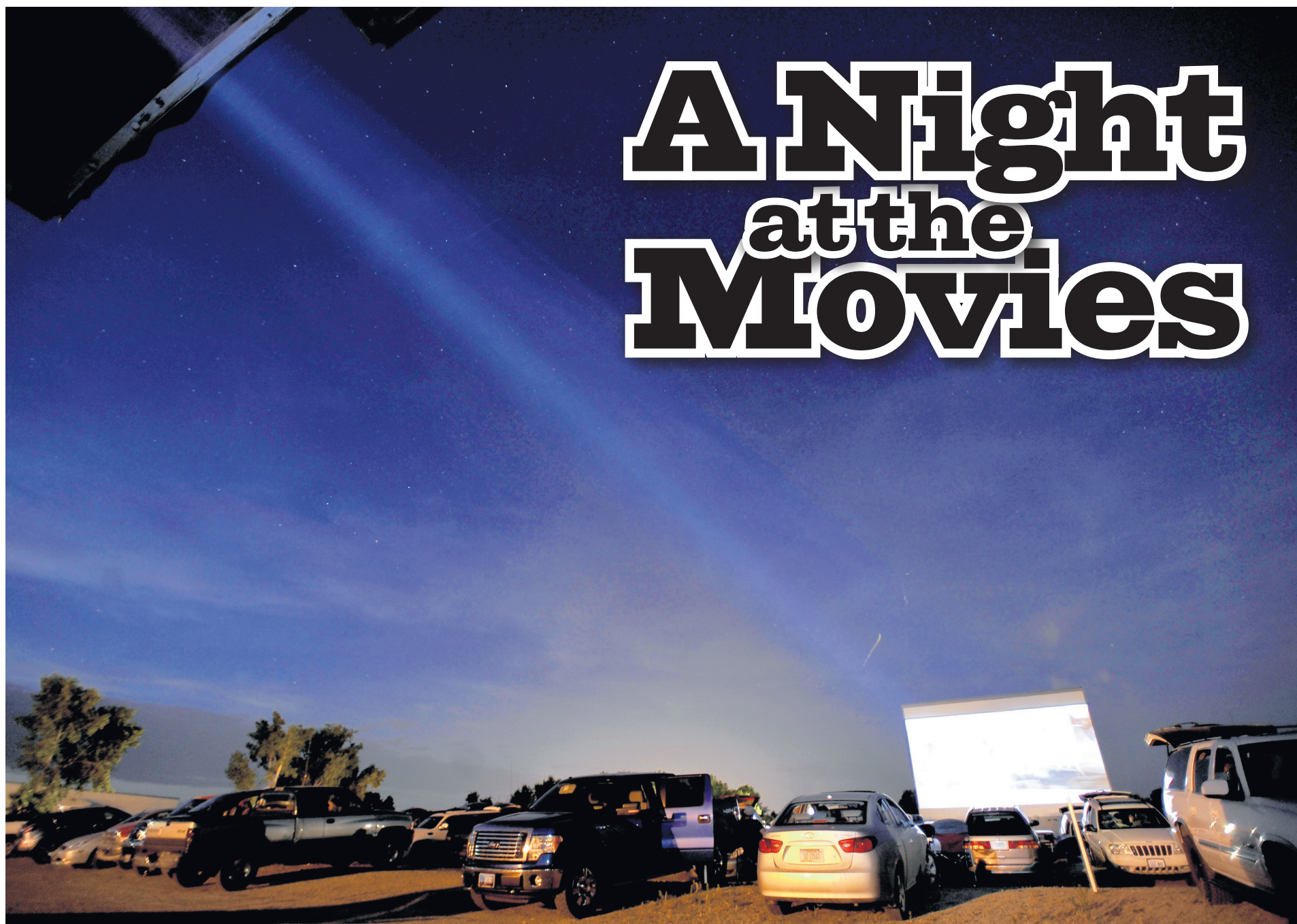


EXPLORE



'Transformers: Age of Extinction' projects onto one of the Amusement Park Drive-In screens July 5 at at Mossmain Lane in Laurel.



From left, Tristen Johnstone, 13, Eli Aby, 12, Tucker Johnstone, 11, and Talon Johnstone, 14, tickle each other and goof off in the back of their dad's pickup at Amusement Park Drive-In.



Cousins and best friends Brooklyn Reger, 6, left, and Miley Harris, 6, take a ride down the Fun Slide at Amusement Park Drive-In.

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Amusement Park Drive-In in Laurel can be described in just a few words: quirky, fun and inexpensive.

Drive-in visitors can skip the sticky movie theater seats and opt for cozying up for their favorite new films on air mattresses and lawn chairs, in pickup beds and even on top of vehicles to enjoy the show.

Riley and Vickie Cooke have owned and operated the drive-in theater for the past 10 years.

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Amusement Park Drive-In offers more than feature films. There's a loaded snack bar featuring average and unusual movie snacks – from popcorn and candy to whole pizzas and fried pickles. Moviegoers can also hop on carnival rides like the Fun Slide and a roller coaster for kids.

Located just outside Laurel at 7335 Mossmain Lane, the drive-in theater's two screens play four movies nightly from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Gates open at 8 p.m. and the movies begin just after dark. Ticket prices are \$7.50 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 5-14 and seniors 60 and older.

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To view a gallery of photos from Laurel's Amusement Park Drive-In, visit billingsgazette.com.



Sean Cahill, left, waits for the movie to begin while his sons Dustin Cahill, 10, middle, and Christian Cahill, 7, amuse themselves with a video game.

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