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Belle Fourche Girls BB 7-0 to Start 2019

CHRIS RILEY Special to the Beacon

A pair of wins in Rapid City at the Civic Center's Holiday Classic during Christmas break ensured that the Belle Fourche Lady Broncs enter the New Year undefeated (7-0) for the second year in a row.

Friday, December 28, in what has become a theme in this early season, Belle Fourche hit some outside shots and worked the ball inside to their post players to gain an early advantage and then used their defense to pull out a victory, 59-55 over Aberdeen Roncalli.

Junior Harley Fischer scored eight of her team-high 17 points in the second quarter to help the Lady Broncs take a 30-24 halftime lead.

Freshman Bella Jensen added 16 points on the strength of four three-pointers. Senior Payson Birkeland added 10 points and nine rebounds while fellow seniors Rylee Young and Ashley Byrd added eight points apiece in the balanced Belle Fourche offensive attack.

Roncalli's Morgan Streier had 20 points to lead all scorers.

In the JV game, Aberdeen Roncalli defeated Belle Fourche by a final of 58-23. Hayley Wilbur led the Lady Broncs with eight points while Savannah Rosales added seven points.

In the C game, Belle Fourche played Rapid City Christian and defeated the Comets by a margin of 32-22. Tia Williamson led the Lady





HOLIDAY CLASSIC ACTION - Dec. 28-29 shows Ashley Byrd 5' 11"Senior Center (left) to the basket for two against Aberdeen Roncalli as Payson Birkeland (31) positions; and (right) Harley Fischer (11) sights in a three in Belle's game over Madison at the Rapid City Civic center. Photos Courtesy Laura Young

Broncs with six points. Hayley Wilbur and Chloe Crago added five points each.

Saturday, December 29th.

Although the cast has changed the story remains the same for the Belle Fourche Lady Broncs. A year after the senior-laden squad stormed through the regular season with just one loss, Belle Fourche once again is off to a great start, defeating Madison 51-40 on Saturday, December 29 to run their undefeated record to 7-0.

Lady Broncs' head coach

Bill Burr has found success with a trio of seniors who saw action last year predominately off the bench but have now stepped into the starting role.

Those three are Rylee Young, Ashley Byrd, and Payson Birkeland. Sophomore Bella Jensen and junior Harley Fischer, a spring 2018 Spearfish transfer, round out the returning players who have previous varsity experience. Burr has several players, juniors and younger, who can step in off the bench to provide valuable

minutes and so far the recipe has been successful.

The Lady Broncs used their defense to jump out to a 19-2 lead on Saturday over the Lady Bulldogs and had a 33-15 halftime advantage.

Three different players were in double figures for Belle Fourche, with Birkeland and Fischer scoring 14 points apiece and Byrd adding 10.

In JV action, Belle Fourche defeated Madison, 40-24. Savanah Rosales scored a team-high 11 points while Kaylin Garza

added nine points.

The Lady Broncs were also victorious in the C game, defeating Madison 44-20.

Hayley Wilbur led the way with a double-double of 11 points and 11 rebounds. Chloe Crago added eight points, Tia Williamson scored six, and Dylan Stedillie chipped in five points.

Belle Fourche will open 2019 with a road trip to Pine Ridge to take on Red Cloud in Black Hills Conference action on Saturday, January 5th.

36 Years of Serving Free Christmas Meal



COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER- The Community Hall was the site of hundreds of people taking part in the long standing Belle Fourche Holiday meal. Event organizer Janie Stevens, in her 36th year, stated, "the most people ever this year!"-Courtesy Photo

BEACON STAFF

news@bellefourchebeacon.com In the early 1980's, Steve Evans of the Butte Co. Sheriff's Department thought there was a need for a free community Christmas dinner. Joined by BF policeman Paul Bombeck who had helped with a similar idea in Pierre, along with BF Realtor Pat Lozier, the first ever dinner was planned and carried out. Not well advertised with little public notice, the turnout was

born. Enter Janie Stevens. Janie got roped into helping with the first ever event, and 36 years later, she, along with her husband Kendell and son Jon, and over 50 volunteers pulled off what she said was "the most people ever this year!"

minimal, but the leftovers went

to needy folks and the idea was





with numerous other folks from Belle Fourche, pitched in to make this year's meal a memorable feast. A lady from New York, here

coming from Iowa, Faith SD, Rapid City, truckers from the truck stops, and every town in the Tri-State area. The food was delicious with very little leftover, and nary a drop of the homemade dressing. Local volunteers Bob & Trudy Hoard, Bob & Dee Wagner, Ted Corean and son, Bonnie Rosander, and Steve Evans (still), along

visiting her mother, jumped in to help serve pie. Volunteers from Spearfish and Ekalaka

For almost two hours, folks

at Community Hall continued

to line the outside walls up to

the serving table, with guest

were also present to help. Close to 50 meals were delivered to shut-ins, the workers at Dispatch and other businesses that were open. Community support is unmatched. Dave at Lueders, Jim at Lynn's Dakotamart, area businesses, and the City of Belle Fourche, under the direction and organization of Janie, fits the adage "many hands make light work". When asked why she continues to head up this event, Janie said she doesn't do it for any personal accolades. Looking out at the crowd, she sees it as a place for people to come and meet old friends or make new ones. The joy on everyone's face, young and old visiting with Santa and Mrs. Claus, enjoying the day, is



PIE-UTOPIA- awaits the forks



THE GRINCH was in attendance at the Christmas Feast looking green with envy.

Beacon News Since June 28, 2018 BEACON STAFF to slow Heavy Constructions 2018 will premiere Miss Black

heartwarming to say the least.

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June 28, 2018 saw the return of a local "hometown" newspaper. Non-resident, corporate ownership closed the Belle Fourche Post & Bee in early November of 2017. The Belle Fourche Beacon is a "start from scratch" enterprise and contin-

cation, Issue Number 20, on this third day of January, 2019. One week past six months of business as 2019 begins we look back on what the news, issue by issue, has been since the

ues on with its first 2019 publi-

Issue 1- June 28 A long cold winter and lingering wet weather continues

return of a local paper in Belle.

work on State Street and 8th Avenue. A temporary lake in front of the US Post Office looks ominous, but officials say State Street will be open for the July 4th parade. The parade is being rerouted because of construction on 8th Avenue. Black Hills Energy's 6th Avenue Hay Creek substation is obsolete and being dismantled. BF Economic Development teamed up with High School Industrial Art's homebuilding class to bring affordable housing from the high school parking lot to its new location on Elkhorn Street. Black Hills Roundup to be inducted into Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame in Colorado Springs, CO.

Hills Roundup Queen pageant. Jackson Family (Dr. John, wife Patty, son Matthew Jackson and his wife Choi) bring Wine Country to Belle Fourche.

Issue 2 July 12

July 3- Severe storms do widespread area destruction, including an E3 tornado destroying the Doug Davis Harding County ranch place. 99th Roundup a success and annual parade enjoys a new route. Noted and now retired Belle Fourche businessman Al Shaw turned 94 on July 8th. The third Generation of Bowman family is running the family business,

snows are unwanted you should remember snow does come in larger quantities. This picture of 5th Avenue looking North from State Street corner shows what the snowfall accumulation was in December of 1949 -Courtesy Photo

IT COULD BE WORSE - For those who think the recent

selfless and a woman of faith.



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Obituaries

94 **Eva Brams**

Eva's life was celebrated Monday, December 31st, 2018 at the Christian Life Center in Belle Fourche. Visitation was held Sunday at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. Interment took place in Pine Slope Cemetery. Friends may leave written condolences and view her video tribute at: www.funeralhomeofthenorthernhills com Eva Irene Main was born October 11, 1924 in Dupree, South Dakota. She was the daughter of Claude and Ella (Lammert) Main. Eva grew up on the family farm north of Dupree. She attended 8 years of elementary school at the Main School and in May of 1942 she graduated from the Dupree High School. The following summer she attended the Black Hills Teachers College in Spearfish. After several years of teaching, Eva returned to college and graduated Cum Laude in May of 1971 with a B.S. Degree in Education. She taught school in Ziebach County, the Redelm School, and Dupree Elementary School. On January 16, 1945, Eva was united in marriage to Wallace Brams at the Congregational Church in Dupree. To this union was born 3 daughters: Patricia, Kathy, and Carlene. Following their



marriage they lived in Dupree until 1948 when they moved to the Brams Family Ranch. The ranch was located on Pretty Creek, 12 miles north of Dupree, and they farmed and ranched there for many years. In 1997 they retired and moved into Belle Fourche, where they enjoyed living by their lifelong friends, Gwyn and Jessie Jewett. Wallace died in 2011 and for the past two years, Eva has been a resident at the Crook County Long Term Care Center in Sundance, WY. Eva was a fun-loving woman who enjoyed music and

dancing. She was loving,

OF THE NORTHERN HILLS

She enjoyed traveling, playing card games, and she loved her children and grandchildren very much. She was patriotic and a faithful Republican. One of Eva's blessings was the joy of her grandchildren, great grandchildren, her church, community, and the many students she taught over the years. Eva went home to heaven on Friday, December 28, 2018 at the age of 94. She is survived by her daughters, Patricia (Marlin) Main of Aladdin WY, Kathy (Mike) Moorman of Riverton WY, Carlene (Jeff) Hayward of Glasgow MT; 5 grandchildren, Jeff (Holly) Main of Aladdin WY, Juliet Main of Washington DC, Matthew (Colleen) Moorman of Riverton WY, Brett (Kristen) Moorman of Amherst NY, Sydney Hayward of Glasgow MT; 5 great grandchildren (and one on the way), Anika, Lydia and Joshua Main of Aladdin WY, and Madalyn and Max Moorman of Riverton WY; 2 sisters, Hazel Stadel of Rapid City, Shirley Martian of Downey CA; nephew, Alvin Stadel of Park City MT; and niece, Myrna Smith of Owanka SD. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother, Earl; and infant sister, Marcella Pearl.

LEVERINGTON FUNERAL HOME

Julie Ann Burkhart 60

Julie Ann Burkhart, 60, of Gillette, WY passed away December 25, 2018.

She was born October 6th, 1958, in Belle Fourche, South Dakota to Gerald and Patsy Bunney. As a young girl she lived on the family ranch in Aladdin, Wyoming. She attended country school and graduated from Sundance High School in 1977.

After graduating high school, she attended the University of Wyoming. During her time in high school, she lettered in volleyball, basketball, and track. She was also very involved in 4H and FFA where she won numerous championship trophies. Her love for animals continued all her life.

On April 8th, 2009, she married Steven Burkhart in Rapid City, South Dakota. The couple lived in Gillette, Wyoming where she worked as a plant operator at Jacob's Ranch/ Black Thunder. In 2016, Julie retired and moved back to the family ranch to take care of her parents.

During her lifetime, she was a volunteer firefighter and a dedicated mother in all of her children's activities. She enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting, hiking, riding her Harley, taking care of animals, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Julie was known by her big heart and uncon-

ditional love for her family and friends. She lived life to the fullest and was the light of our

She was preceded in death by her sister, Lori Bunney and her maternal and paternal grandparents.

She will be greatly missed by her husband, Steve Burkhart of Gillette, WY; mother and

father, Patsy and Gerald Bunney of Aladdin, WY; children, Ashley (Terry) Stevenson of Loveland, CO and Justin (Loretto) Sullivan of Virginia Beach, VA; stepson, Tyler Burkhart of Gillette, WY; sisters, DeeLynn Garman of Aladdin, WY and Tina Bunney (Alex Schimp) of Castle Pines, CO; her brother, Mark (Joanne) Bunney of Gillette, WY; three grandchildren, Presley Stevenson, Ellowyn Sullivan and Ragnar Sullivan.

A Funeral Liturgy was held Monday, December 31 at 1:00 PM at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Gillette with Father Cliff Jacobson officiating.

Spreading of her ashes took place on Tuesday, January 1st at the Bunney Ranch in Aladdin,

The family suggests memorials to Objective Zero. Web address is objectivezero.org/donate An online guest book is available at klinefuneralchapel.com

Sylvia Wetz 93

Sylvia Bernice (Dobyns) Wetz was born on August 17, 1925, the oldest of eight children born to Clement and Edna (Bennett) Dobyns at Oshkosh, NE. She moved with her family to the Newell/Vale/Nisland area as a child. She graduated from Vale High School in 1943 as salutatorian of her class. She began her teaching career on a six-week certificate from Spearfish Normal School. She taught at rural Meade County schools starting at the Alkali School and then the Wetz School. While teaching there, she met the older brother of several of her students and fell in love. She and Harold John Wetz were married on June 5, 1945, at Sturgis. Seven children were born to the couple - Norman, Kenneth, Beth, Roger, Linda, Paul and April.

In the mid-1960s, she resumed her teaching career at the Wetz School. After her last child was born, she completed her Bachelor of Science in Education degree at Black Hills State University, graduating in 1968. She taught school in northeast Montana until her retirement in 1989. She had a lifelong love of learning.

After she and Harold retired, they spent their winters in Arizona and summers at their home in Nashua, MT. They could often be found camping and fishing at Fort Peck. She enjoyed tending to her garden, bowling and spending time with family and friends. In 2006, the couple moved to Spearfish where she had resided since.

She was a member of Lions Club, South Dakota Education Association, Montana Education Association, Red Hat Society, garden club, Butte County Historical Society and Nashua and Spearfish Senior Citizens. She loved to play cards and was always up for a game of pinochle. She was an avid reader, a talented painter, quilter and seamstress and a skilled fisherman alongside her husband, children and grandchildren. She loved to cook and bake and always enjoyed feeding anyone who came to her door.



Sylvia Wetz, 93, of Spearfish passed away Wednesday, December 26, 2018, in Rapid City, SD, surrounded by family after a brief illness.

She is survived by her children: Norman (Gloria) Wetz, Glendale, AZ, Kenneth (Donna) Wetz, Newell, SD, Beth (Bill) Kelley, Great Falls, MT, Roger (Carol) Wetz, Billings, MT, Linda (Phillip) Dutton, Pauls Valley, OK, Paul (Vicky) Wetz, Glasgow, MT, and April (Roy) Baker, Vaughn, MT; 18 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; siblings, Perry Dobyns, WY, and Mary (Nelson) Dillingham, KS; brothers-in-law, Jim (May) Wetz, CO, Darrell (Dorothey) Wetz, MT; sisterin-law, Helen Seitz, WA; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 70 years, Harold Wetz; her parents, Clem and Edna Dobyns; siblings Betty, Leonard, Dorothy, Hazel and Gerald; and grandson, Doug Kelley.

Family visitation for will be held from 5-7 p.m., Friday, December 28, 2018, at Kinkade Funeral Chapel in Sturgis.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, December 29, 2018, at United Methodist Church in Spearfish. Inurnment will follow the services at the Vale Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for the preservation of the Wetz School.

Condolences can be left at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



Herbert Johnson 80

Herbert Johnson, 80, of Belle Fouche, passed away on Tuesday, December 25, 2018, at Rapid City Regional Hospital after battling a long illness.

He was born September 27, 1938, in Belle Fouche, SD, to Eldred and Martha (Durst) Johnson. As a young boy he grew up on a ranch, enjoying his pet skunk and in high school he was well known for racing around town in his '56 Ford. After high school he moved to Wyoming and worked at Hauber Mine, and later returned to Belle Fouche working as a heavy equipment operator. Herb also enjoyed working at his campground and flying through the skies in his small plane...which he later crashed.

In 1961 he married Dorothy (Mitchell) Callies and they welcomed their daughter Michele in October 1962. In June of 1975 Herb married the love of his life, Charlotte Bruggeman and proudly welcomed his step-daughter Denise. After retiring, Herb and Charlotte enjoyed



their winters being active snowbirds in the great state of Texas. Herb will fondly be remembered as a devoted husband, loving father, and an avid lover of camping, fishing, hunting, and sharing good jokes with family and friends.

Some of Herb's fondest memories are hunting with his daughter Michele and step-daughter Denise. He was proud to teach the both of them how to shoot. Herb shot his first elk in October 1962 accompanied by his daughter, Michele, who was only 20 days old at the time, his daughter was also with

him when he shot his largest elk in 1995, and again when he shot his very last elk in October 2012.

Loved ones that cleared the path for Herb are his parents, Eldred and Martha Johnson; sister, Dorothy (Tom) Ginsbach; his brother, Bob (Paula) Johnson.

Loved ones that will miss Herb until they meet again are his wife, Charlotte of Rapid City; daughter, Michele (Terry) Spaans of Rapid City; step-daughter, Denise Dixon of Baltimore, MD; 5 grandchildren, 11.5 great grandchildren and his dear friends Mike Stec and Randy Beckman; as well as many others who loved him. Visitation was Friday, 4:00 to 7:00 pm at Kline Funeral Chapel in Belle Fourche and for one hour before services. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 29 at 11:00 am at Kline Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Pine Slope Cemetery in

Belle Fourche. An online guest book is available at klinefuneralchapel.

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Heading Into a New Year with Zest!

Belle Fourche **Development Report** from Executive Dir. Hollie Stalder

Heading into a new year with

Zest.... a piece of peel of a citrus fruit (lemon or orange) used as flavoring.....

OR, an enjoyable exciting quality; keen enjoyment; gusto. Both parts of the definition apply!

2018 was an eventful year for our community!

People were engaged in community development at new levels. One year ago this month, we kicked off the Empower program. We were coached, and learned new ways of thinking and working together to accomplish our goals as we ventured into our Empower program with community coach, Joe Bartmann of Dakota Resources, and Albert Linderman of the Sagis Group. Listening sessions were held

throughout the community with various groups and organizations to gather feedback. Feedback on what they loved about Belle Fourche, what they would like to be better and what needed to change in order for those things to be able to happen.

The Empower Belle Fourche sessions created some new



excitement and community project ideas. Ten teams from a group of 70 people were formed mid-October and those projects are beginning to take on a life.

Our next meeting with Joe Bartmann will be January 8th from 5-7:30 p.m. at the economic development 5th & Grant Plaza in Belle Fourche. The 10 teams will give updates on their progress and receive coaching to help them in their ventures to keep moving forward.

Training on a central communication software will also be part of the session. Each team will be set up with the tools to schedule their meetings, update "to-do" checklists assigned to team members, and ask for coaching assistance online for a direct response.

Yes, zest! Heading into 2019 with zest for the adventures ahead. Zest for goals to be made and exceeded. Zest for pursuing our dreams for the community together. And, yes, maybe some lemon zest in a pie social to top it all off.

Another day of being so thankful we live in such an incredible community!

Chamber Report -

From Chamber Director Gary Wood

October 18

Happy New Year!

I remember as a kid in Simms, Montana there was always talk of New Year's resolutions. Do we still do that? It doesn't seem like its emphasized as much now as it was then. Granted, most New Year's resolutions went the way of most good intentions. Nowhere!

New as defined is: not existing before; made, introduced, or discovered recently or now for the first time. Already existing but seen, experienced, or acquired recently or now for the first time.

We may say to someone we haven't seen in a while, "What's new?"

So, what is new in the new year for a city that's been around since the late 1800's? Is there anything new or does everything just continue as

normal here? There is a lot NEW. Crossroads is the NEW name for the restaurant at Mid-America Travel Plaza and the NEW manager Matt Kreutz is changing things up in north Belle Fourche. Downtown, you can't miss the construction going on for the NEW Pioneer bank building, and Hersrud's of Belle Fourche has a New management team and will soon have a NEW name. There is a NEW business in the Economic Development building as well as a NEW parking lot. There will be a NEW Napa

store opening very soon in the old Black Hills Tractor building. We have a NEW local newspaper, the Belle Fourche Beacon that you're reading right now. Cory's Tire is adding on NEW shop space, and the Chamber gained twenty-one NEW MEMBERS this past year. They are:

LLC; All Net Connections; Ace Motel; American In the Hills; Relic

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> Mia's Devine Delights. These are just a few of the year. Let's all make a NEW

Pietila Property & Repair Legion Post 32; Re/Max Diggers; Home-

town Thursdays;

sors - Cindy Giacometto; Rushmore Parking Lot Striping; TransCanada -ANR Pipeline Company; Norlin Marine & Recreation LLC; Plains Towing and Recovery; Edward Jones Financial-Chris Mitchell; Nails By Brandie; Cub Scouts - Pack 19; Highmark Credit Union; Posy Palace; Good Shepherd Clinic; Belle Boutique and Salon; Kurtti Kreation; Mona

new things for the coming YEAR'S RESOLUTION to support what is NEW in Belle Fourche along with what has been a part of our community for years.

Happy New Year from the Chamber!



We want to strengthen our community with a healthy start to 2019.

The Belle Fourche Area Community Center is organizing this family event for all ages and fitness levels. The 3-mile event starts and finishes at Herrmann Park. It probably won't be warm, it may be cold, it may be snowing-who knows?! Bring a friend; get out, walk, jog, or run-JUST MOVE!

Kids events starting at 1:30 with 5K immediately following: Herrmann Park circle, • 8 & Under: One lap (1/4 mile) • 9-12 years: Two laps (1/2 mile). Cost: \$25 with shirt, \$10 without shirt.

Race Route may change depending on 8th Avenue Project. Register at BFACC or on race day at Herrmann Park.

BFACC 1111 National Street, Belle Fourche, SD, 57717 Contact Tessa for more info: (605) 892-2467

Belle Fourche Community Calendar

Saturday - Jan. 5

First Saturday Brunch: **Bear Butte Journeys** 10am, Tri-State Museum

Monday - Jan. 7

City Council Meeting 7pm, City Hall

Black Hills Roundup Meeting 7pm, Branding Iron

Steakhouse

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Wednesday - Jan. 8

Belle Fourche Development

Wednesday - Jan. 9

Chamber Board Meeting 7am, Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Luncheon 12pm, American West

Annual Meeting 5:30pm, Branding Iron Steakhouse Banquet Room

Thursday - Jan. 10

Downtown Revitalization Meeting 5:30pm, City Hall

Fri.-Sat. - Jan. 11-12

Saturday on State **Occasional Markets** Fri. Noon-7pm,

Belle Fourche Flea Market Saturday, 8am-2pm,

Sat. 9am-3pm, 1401 5th Ave

Community Hall Le Belle Marche' Saturday, 9am-4pm,

If you would like to see a community event in the calendar, please email News@BelleFourcheBeacon.com.

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Revitalize Belle Fourche Announces Winners

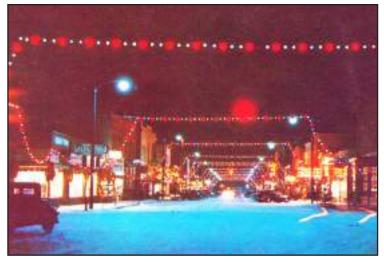


LIGHTING UP THE HOLIDAY - Here are the winners of the 2018 Best Christmas lights contest!

FIRST PLACE: 833 Stanley, winner of an \$80 gift card;

SECOND PLACE: 810 Yuma, winner of a \$60 gift card and THIRD PLACE: 2012 13th Avenue, winner of a \$50 gift card.

Congratulations!



STREET OF YESTERYEAR - Christmas lights along State Street from days gone by. Notice the early day vehicles. Courtesy photo



LIGHTS GALORE - There were MANY more decorated homes in Belle Fourche this year than in years past and it was wonderful to see.



Ft. Robinson Runners to Overnight in Belle



Spaghetti supper part of their stay on the 400-mile journey.

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BELLE FOURCHE- The annual Ft. Robinson Outbreak Spiritual 400-Mile Run will once again be overnighting in Belle Fourche Jan 12th with help from the Butte County Historical Society and many volunteers. This is the 9th year the runners will gather for a spaghetti dinner at the Belle Fourche AmericInn at 6:00pm. Most runners will stay the night in Belle Fourche before continuing on the runs final two days to Busby, Montana.

The Outbreak Run is held each year from January 9-14th. The runners, aged from grade school through high school, most of whom are from Lame Deer and Ashland, Montana, complete the 400-mile relay run to commemorate and replicate the Northern Cheyenne breakout from Fort Robinson, Nebraska, on the actual date and time, January 9th, (1879) 10:30 at night.

The event is preparing for it's 23rd year. According to Phillip Whiteman Jr., founder of the event, it started with just 14

RELAYING THEIR HISTORY- Runners during the Ft. Robinson Outbreak Spiritual Run cover a 1/4 to 1/2 mile leg of the journey during their turn. They run in pairs, one boy and one girl. The male runners carry an Eagle Staff while the female runner carries the flag of the Northern Cheyenne Nation, emblazoned with the morning star symbol. -Courtesy Photo

runners in 1996 and has grown to between 80-and-100 youth completing the journey from Nebraska to Montana, often in subzero temperatures.

The run originally began as a tribute to the participants' Northern Chevenne ancestors who were trying to return back to their native land in SE Montana after being held by the US Army at Ft. Robinson. The Army had planned on returning them to the recently established southern Cheyenne Reservation in Oklahoma from which they had escaped months earlier. Most who broke out of the barracks on Jan. 9th in 1879 never made it the final stage of their journey back to Montana. Today, the youth, many of whom are descendants, make the relay run as a commemoration of the event and to complete the trek their ancestors could not.

The event includes an education day in Crawford, NE, and has become a forum for healing and wellness, youth leadership and empowerment, cultural and language preservation, and creating positive social change in our communities.

According to the Yellowbird Foundation, which organizes the event, the youth gain a strong connection to the sacrifice of their ancestors. The run instills in them a sense of pride, greater self-esteem, a deeper respect for their identity, sincere appreciation and connection to their homeland, and teaches them to value life.

Runners are expected to arrive in Belle Fourche in the early evening between 5 and 6pm. They are coming in from Deadwood where they are to begin their run on Jan 12th. The Belle Fourche stopover is organized by the Butte County Historical Society with help from many volunteers and the staff at the AmericInn.

"The public is certainly invited to come out and welcome the runners to Belle Fourche and show their support for this historic run," said Eleanor Marousek, organizer for the Belle Fourche stopover. "We really want to make folks aware of the courage and determination of these young runners and to encourage them on their run."

"Ruby's Red Stocking"



STOCKING STUFFERS - Every year Mason's 5th Avenue sponsors "Ruby's Red Stocking" gift drawing in memory of Ruby Helmberger who owned several businesses in Belle Fourche, including a gift shop at Mason's convenience store. Although Ruby passed away several years ago, the tradition of filling the giant 6-foot Christmas sock with gifts and blessing some family's holiday continues on to honor her spirit of kindness, compassion and love of community. The Seieroe family of Nisland is 2018's recipient. Pictured (back row) is Tracy Seieroe & Sally Mason of Mason's 5th Ave. A very happy Breanna Seieroe is in front. *Courtesy Photo*

Belle Fourche District School Menu

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Two East River Teams Best Broncs



6' 3" Senior, Michael Leverington (14) on defense, keeps a watchful eye on his Madison Bulldog opponent in action at the Rapid City Civic Center's Holiday Classic. Tate Hostetter and Colby Nowowiejeski join in. Courtesy Photo -Traci Nowowiejski

CHRIS RILEY

Special to the Beacon

Belle Fourche dropped a pair of boys' basketball games at the Holiday Classic in Rapid City to draw even so far on this young season with four wins and four losses.

Friday, Dec. 28

Aberdeen Roncalli used their full court defensive pressure to break open a tight

Jan 12 2:30 pm vs. Wright, WY

game in the second half to score a 63-34 victory over the Broncs.

Leading 21-17 at halftime, the Cavaliers outscored Belle Fourche 42-17 the rest of the way to move to 5-1 on the year. Junior Kelby Olson led the Broncs, who did take a 10-9 lead after the first quarter, with 19 points. Senior Bryce Nicholas added six points for Belle Fourche.

Brady Morgan led the Cavaliers with a game-high 21 points.

In the JV game, Belle Fourche claimed a 44-39 victory. Brextin Garza scored 13 points, Colby Nowowiejski scored 10, and Aiden Giffin added nine points in the win.

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58-55	Jan 19	4:00 pm @ Bowman County, ND
56-27	Jan 22	7:30 pm @ Lead-Deadwood
52-61	Jan 24	7:00 pm vs. Harding County
34-63		7:00 pm vs. Douglas
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Dec 28 Broncs-Aberdeen Roncalli	59-55		7:00 pm vs. Harding County
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Wrestlers Return to Action Thursday Night in Rapid City

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The Broncs travel to Rapid City for a JV/Varsity Quadrangular with Saint Thomas More, Hill City, and Spearfish, January 3 before heading to the Lyman Gardens in Presho on the 4th and 5th for the Mid-Dakota Monster and a taste of some east river teams.

The twenty-eight team tourney includes: Belle Fourche; Bennett County,

Custer/Edgemont, Hill City, Hot Springs, Kimball/White Lake/ Platte-Geddes, Kingsbury County, Lead-Deadwood, Little Wound, Lower Brule, host Lyman, McCook Central/Montrose, McLaughlin, Mobridge-Pollock, Newell, O'Neill, NE, Parkston, Pierre, Pine Ridge, Potter County, Red Cloud, Spearfish, St. Thomas More, Stanley County, Sunshine Bible Academy, Todd County, Warner/Northwestern, and Winner.



Senior Tate Hostetter takes aim at the free through line as Colby Nowowiejski (4) stands top of the key on defense. Courtesy Photo-Traci Nowowiejski

fensively in day two of the Holiday Classic, getting outscored in all four quarters of their 60-31 loss to Madison, defending Class A state champions. The Bulldogs jumped out to a 13-7 lead after one quarter and took a 21-10 edge into the locker room at halftime. Madison then outscored the Broncs 39-21 over the final two periods to seal the win, their third of the

Seniors Tate Hostetter and Cauy Jennings led Belle Fourche with eight and seven points respec-

tively. Belle Fourche, 4-4 this season, travels to Pine Ridge on Saturday, January 5th to play Red Cloud in a Black Hills Conference matchup.

Madison also claimed a JV victory over Belle Fourche, 49-46. Keaten Benson led the Broncs with 14 points while Tate Larson was also in double figures, scoring 10 points. The Broncs resume Black

to Pine Ridge to play @ Red Cloud January 5th.

Hills Conference traveling

2018-19 BFHS Varsity **Wrestling Schedule**

01/03/2019 JV / Varsity Quad - Hill City, Spfsh, STM @ Rapid City 4:00pm

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01/05/2019 Varsity Invite @ Presho 10:00 a.m. CT

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01/19/2019 Varsity Invite @ Chamberlain 10:00 a.m. CT

01/24/2019 JV / Varsity Dual @ Hot Springs 5:00 p.m.

01/25/2019 JV / Varsity Invite @ Belle Fourche 12:00 p.m.

01/26/2019 JV / Varsity Invite @ Belle Fourche 9:00 a.m. 02/02/2019 Varsity Invite @ Hill City 9:00 a.m.

02/08/2019 JV / Varsity Dual - Douglas @ Box Elder 5:30pm 02/09/2019 Black Hills Conference @ Hill City 10:00 a.m.

02/16/2019 Region 4A @ Belle Fourche 10:00 a.m. 02/22/2019 State A @ Rapid City TBA 02/23/2019 State A @ Rapid City TBA



NEWS From A1

Dakota Lumber. Nathan Bowman and his wife Raelyn now run the business handed down from Roger and Jean that Dick and Arlene Bowman started. Roger is in Arizona practicing his golf.

Issue 3 July 26

Historic BH roundup Grandstands thought to be built starting in 1919-1920 is coming down and will be replaced by a new modern metal structure. Removal of metal skin revealed the rotting wood throughout the stands. Ben and Joy Norlin open Norlin Marine on Highway 34 just east of the Highway 34/Highway 85 Junction. "Downtown Thursdays" the Belle Fourche summer music festival holds its final concert July 26. Larry and Alana Strickland of Integrity Meats have a large addition being added to their facility on Industrial Road in north Belle. BF Community Theater premier first musical with presentation of the Disney Classic "Beauty and the Beast." T.J. Schmidt was 4th overall in Bull Riding at National High School Finals Rodeo. Freshman Aiken Crowley won 7th place at USA High School Clay Target National Championships in Michigan. Hannah Pruss on her horse Stuart, won her 4th Big Horn 100 Endurance Race in Shell, Wyoming. Gene Bickerdyke, Harding County School District was awarded a DAR classroom grant. Ellis Tripp, owner of ET Sports, has four grandchildren, two daughters, four sons and a wife involved in the family businesses. Newell, Vale, Nisland begins reporting their area news to the Beacon.

Issue 4 August 9

Black Hills Roundup inducted into Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame August 4th in Colorado Springs, Co. Butte/Lawrence County Fair in Nisland going strong. Keil Sweet corn back. Volunteers take down and wash 50 state flags at Center of the Nation Monument Visitor Center. Jack and Mary Ann Wells began long history in Belle Fourche business in their basement on Omaha Street. Jim Chaney and Roger Kimball win BF Country Club Men's Golf Calcutta. Evelyn Schmaltz celebrated her 100th Birthday August 5th. Ron and Virginia Proefrock celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary July 18th. Mason's 5th Avenue and Buckstop celebrate 20th year in business.

Issue 5 August 23.

Belle Fourche Livestock new ownership announced. Baxter and Skylar Anders began ownership June 1. Two Bronc coaches named to Hall of Fame, Clark "Corky Gusso, for girls golf (Broncs were 2018 state



Belle Fourche the 2108 South Dakota State "A" Girls Golf **Champs** are honored with a float in the Parade.

Medalist) and Bill Abell for girls track. Roundup grounds bleacher financing mechanism for \$1.4 million in bonding put in place as Dougherty & Company retained by City. Boys and Girls Soccer, Boys Golf, Football, Cross Country, and Competitive Cheer seasons are all underway. BF School Superintendent Steve Willard back at work after having a successful heart surgery this summer. Vandalism occurred in town as windows were broken at the high school and tires slashed at the Post Office. Jeremy Meeks placed 1st in the short go at the 3rd Annual Invitational Bronc Match at Camp Crook on August 17th. Jet Price won the bareback at the Harding County Fair Rodeo. Max Wetz joined First Western Insurance in Newell.

Issue 6 September 6

Belle Fourche civic organizations received 100% of their subsidy requests from the Belle Fourche City Council Sand Creek Printing ownership changes hands Sept. 1. Long time Belle businessman Bill Thorson handed the keys to Mark Schreiner. The City of Belle changed their insurance agent to Theil and Associates by unanimous vote. Shorty Garrett took first in the first ever Newell Bronc Futurity. Monica Fowlkes named Newell Rodeo Queen. National Street businesses hold Block Party. St. James Episcopal hosts Delta Dental mobile Clinic. Miss Rodeo SD pageant held in Belle September 7-8. Bronc Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees honored at Homecoming game. Don West and family still going strong in the tire business. Auto Pro's have customer appreciation at their new location on Elkhorn Street.

Issue 7 September 20

Center of the Nation Business Association hosts grand reopening of State Street.; Governor Daugaard dedicates high schools new CIT center. Says "consider a career in South Dakota.; "Make your mark"



Sand Creek Printing has new owner. Mark Schreiner with retiring owner Bill Thorson



Sawyer Clarkson Medals at State Cross Country meet in

Sioux Falls, finishing 7th Place.

brand holders are invited into Belle to burn their individual brands into salvaged wood from historic grandstands. Sheriff Fred Lamphere joined Sheriffs from around the nation at White house meetings including time with VP Pence and President Trump. Bronc Homecoming parade colorful with Hawaiian theme. Wally Kiewel retires after 44+ years at Belle Fourche golf course. Veteran Rodeo and Radio Voice Jim Thompson receives Tom Brokaw Award. Broncs win homecoming game 49-7 over Spearfish. Jordan Tierney crowned Miss Rodeo South Dakota. "The Sweetery" opens in Newell. Rebecca Rodrequez joins Tri-

State Museum as archivist. Issue 8 October 4

The area Ag community honored by capacity crowd at annual Banquet. Black Hills Roundup nominated for rodeo of the year. 1st time Butte County tax sale saw very few takers. Sioux Falls Fiberglass Tank company, Design Tank, after three years, ends business north of Belle. Lynn's Dakotamart celebrates 50 years in business this October. Two bronc golfers qualify to high school state tourny. Alex Voyles and Lance Sutter. Bronc football 3-3; Eunice Leitner celebrates 90th Oct 6th at St. Paul's Catholic Church. Sam Marty, Prairie City, candidate for District 28B State House of Representatives. Dale Riley turns 90 in Grand Junction, Colorado. Kellen Willert, Belle attorney, promoted to Major in Army National Guard. 5th Annual Black Hills Fly-in keeps Belle Airport buzzing. Jim Maher dedicates Mickelson bust at State Capitol in Pierre. Mary Kay Budmayr raises \$5,000 baking pies for St. Judes. Plein Air paints the town. Phil McNally memorial Fun, Run and Walk event. 73rd Annual Newell Ram show and sale held. Fin Ollila grew 6lb. 4 oz. turnip south of Newell.

Issue 9 October 18 Pioneer Bank Remodel underway. The Board of directors of Pioneer made the decision to remodel/rebuild the facility at State and 7th Streets. New DOT area Engineer, John Matthesen began duties on October 24th. Action for the Betterment of Communities coalition holds planning meeting on direction of use of grant funds. Lynn's 50th Anniversary celebration in full swing. Jessica Routier, barrel racing and Dane Kissack will represent the Badlands Circuit at the National Circuit Finals in Florida. Nancy Henderson, Aladdin, Wyoming joins the Beacon; Aiken Crowley was 7th in Michigan at national HS

Issue 10 October 25

Belle Fourche Beacon goes from every other to weekly publication. "Empower Belle Fourche" has large turnout of pro-Belle attendees at Civic improvement gathering. Chutes for Charity raise in excess of \$16,000 at Saturday night fundraiser. Belle Fourche 8th Grader Sawyer Clarkson medals at State Cross country meet in Sioux Falls. His 7th Place finish was the highest finishing 8th grader in 16 years. 7th Grader, Allison Hayes also represented a talented young Cross Country team at the State Meet. Bronc Football ends season with 5-4 winning record. Scott Peterson won National recognition as the 2019 Time Dealer of the Year. Newell Lions begin "Campaign 100." Both Newell Boys and Girls Cross Country teams finished 3rd at state meet.

Issue 11 November 1 La Nina to return for western

South Dakota winter. American Ag held its annual fall equipment sale at Branding Iron. Court Ruling ends county commissioner court challenge.



Nita & Jim Justice, son Keenan, and their three granddaughters enjoy the alternate 4th of July Parade Route.

James Ager's one vote victory will gain him the seat- to be sworn in as new commissioner in January. Breanna Schaefer is hired as new Belle Fourche City Finance Officer. Belle Fourche Middle School Science Teacher traveled to China to tour underground lab with research team. Baby Elyse Mae joins Clarkson family on October 17. High School rodeo finals after 2019 moving to Ft. Pierre to begin a 2 year contract there. Newell raising local funds to build Splash Pad in North Park. 78th **Butte Electric Annual Meeting** held. Becky and Scott Sears new owners of Crow Buttes store. Prairie Hills Transit wins Outstanding Public Service Award. Carla Daily, Tri-State Museum volunteer plays the mad scientist for Chamber/Museum's PumpkinFest.

Issue 12 November 8 Sen John Thune addresses BF High School student body. Tex Adams and Penny Greer bring herd to St. Onge Livestock for dispersion sale. Belle native and Colorado teacher Chris Hespe named one of Colorado's Best. USD Coyotes give strong performance at "Student Application Day" at BFHS, but is bested by SDSU and BHSU. Roundup committee hosts NFR sendoff. Newell Harvest Fest raws big crowd. Sixth grade student, Conner Winiekie took in Belle Fourche City Council's Monday night meeting. Fundraiser for T.J. Steele packs the house at the Branding Iron. CONBA hosts annual "Halloween Parade": hundreds turn out.

Issue 13 November 15 Kristi Noem elected first SD

female Governor. VP Pence in Rapid City at Noem pre-election rally. Local incumbents do well in elections. Tom Brunner and Sam Marty re-elected. Man who brought "term limits" to South Dakota, John Timmer, passes away in Sioux Falls. Codi Vallery-Mills releases third children's book, "Husker the Mule: Adventure Awaits". Molly Ryan named to first team All-State Soccer. Josiah Trimble named Honorable Mention. Belle Fourche Chamber hosted ribbon cuttings for Lost Creek Creations and Family Dollar. Local business Cowboys Too! hosted "When the Works all Done" concert fundraiser for Chutes for Charity. Star-studded line up included entertainers Kenny Putnam, Chet Murray, Chuck Larson, Boyd Bristol, Paul Larson and Robert Dennis.

Issue 14 November 21 Family remains thankful, even after fire destroys home and belongings. PTO fundraising project to bring new Playground Equipment to South Park School. Payson Birkeland, Belle Fourche golfer and SD High School Medalist signs to play golf with the Wyoming Cowboys next fall. Occasional Market is consistently great. Light up the Night November 23. Nathaniel Miller, Newell, completes US Air Force basic training. Pam Burch, Hettinger, ND is guest speaker at Chamber noon luncheon held at Lynn's Dakotamart. BF High School FCCLA Chapter travels to Kentucky. BFHS performs fall play, "Ride North Odessa"

Issue 15 November 28 Community rings in Holiday season with Fireworks, parade of lights, and lighting of community Christmas tree. County Commission hires new Dwayne Heidrich as new Butte Highway superintendent. City Council approves BH Roundup museum at Roundup Grounds. Laura Bennett is new director of Belle Senior Citizens Center. Kelli Kissack has joined the Beacon as a contributor who will be writing a feature called "Kelli Out West". Kelli is married to PRCA roper and Belle Fourche native Dane Kissack. Retired

Newell businessmen Ken Wetz and Neil Vollmer display hidden talents as "Hee Haw" reinactors. Three Newell Komes brothers give service to the military. Cowboy Band played music as they host their annual Community Chili Feed.

Issue 16 December 5

RP Minerals of Alexandria, Egypt is purchasing Black Hills Fiberglass facility to expand their US manufacturing facilities. Western Dakota Tech officials come to Belle to discuss Career partnership opportunities. Ty Davis is FFA local President. George Wilson, Cowboys Too! Owner and proprietor presents check for \$2175 from "When the Works all Done" concert to Chutes for Charity. Nisland Independent Community Church carries on "hanging of the Christmas Green" tradition. Besler's Cadillac Ranch and Stone House Saloon ownership makes business a "family affair". The Crossroads is here!

Issue 17 December 12 BH Roundup named top rodeo at PRCA Convention in Las Vegas. Belle Senior and Student Body President earns full ride QuestBridge Scholarship to Vassar. Festival of Trees Fundraiser held at 1st Interstate Bank. Benefit concert held at Connection Church. Cops and Kids program having a ver successful fundraising effort this Holiday season. Margaret Logan celebrates 90 years young. The BFACC's "Little Dribblers" performed at halftime of the Belle Fourche-Hill City girls basketball game. Annie Reich celebrates turning 50 years old and BHSU graduation the same weekend. Stock Contractor Powder River Rodeo will return to 100 Black Hills Roundup. Jeff Rathbun is new manager of the Belle Fourche Irrigation District.

Issue 18 December 19

Long time BF school district Activities Director Clay Anderson submitted his letter of resignation to the Board of Education effective at the completion of the school year. Jackson Dental hosts Holiday Open House. Molly Ryan, Belle All State soccer player signs to play college soccer at Northwestern University in Orange City, Iowa. 50th anniversary of the Christmas Eve death of Monsignor James P. Walsh. BF United Methodist Church holds Living Nativity. Whitly Reder is VP of local FFA chapter. NBS Factoring new Belle business located in the 5th and Grant Plaza. "The Christmas Goose" by the Tri-State Performers showcases talents of local thespians.

Issue 19 December 27 Belle City Council okays funding of new lift station. Ellis Tripp gives back to the "Center of the Nation" trade area. Design changes made on Hay Creek 8th Avenue Bridge project. Butte County State's Attorney's office announces crime in county trending up. Family Dollar presented the BF Fire department with large collection of batteries from their "Battery Bonanza." Bronc wrestlers win 5 duals at Wright Wyoming Tourney. Lady Broncs Basketball team undefeated going into Holiday stretch. Boys are 4-2. 8th Avenue opened for traffic access for Holidays. Jessica Routier earns Reserve Championship in barrel racing with \$251,704. Lynn Stadheim wins \$112,600 of the\$11 million at World Series of team roping held in conjunction with the NFR in Las Vegas. "Survivor" TV show cast member speaks in Newell. Four Newell school board members up for reelection. Newell HS Grads serve together in Afghanistan. BF Economic Development leadership class tours local facilities.





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Anything Left in the Barrel?

By: Doug Cole -

I have no secrets. I live life by a very simple rule:

If you don't want something repeated, don't say it. If you don't want something known, don't do it. Because if you say it, it will be repeated and if you do it, it will be known.

Snow on the streets gives the old people a chance to spin their tires too.

Remember when, as a child, you thought shoveling snow was fun? Only one I know who looks like he is having fun shoveling snow is Merle.

Joe Dirt is known to most folks in these parts as very hard working businessman, with, for the most part a friendly jovial nature.

One serious minded, out of the county customer in need of Joe's services, didn't, at that particular moment in time, seem to fully appreciate the carefree side to Joe's personality and told him as politely as he could muster,

"To get a grip!" Joe, smiling back said, "No problem with me getting a grip, I just put four studded snow tires on my van."



Reasons you stayed home on New Years Eve:

Not wanting to spend time with the kind of people who light up a room when they leave

Got a dozen new outfits for Christmas, but still didn't have a thing to wear.

The following bit of New Years History was not published in last weeks Beacon as a result of space limitations. The "Barrel" has generously yielded space to include the story in this

This is a familiar event in history, certainly, but it's interesting to know that the **Emancipation Proclamation** - the document that issued a military-based executive order to declare slaves in the rebel states free - was signed by Abraham Lincoln on New Year's Day, 1863.

Abolitionists everywhere rejoiced. No doubt the date was picked for its symbolic meaning. Their meaning was clear: it was a new day for humanity to throw off the chains of slavery and start afresh. Lincoln said these words after signing the Proclamation: "I never in my life felt more certain that I was



Jim Maher's Lincoln sculpture now on display in Rapid City. Lincoln and son Tad

doing right, than I do in signing this paper. If my name goes into history, it will be for this act, and my whole soul is in it."

All of these stories can encourage us and remind us that in Christ there is always a new beginning available to us, no matter how things have gone

in our lives. New Year's Eve and New Year's Day is more than just a time for resolutions of weight loss and exciting

fireworks and celebrations. It is a time to remember the greatest freedom there is: the freedom of Christ's limitless grace that saves us from the slavery of sin and opens the door for an eternity of joy with God — the ultimate New Year's

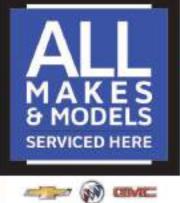
Day! As we head into 2019, let's allow the Holy Spirit to scrawl the word "Eternity" across our hearts as we fix our eyes above, as Colossians 3:1-4 says:

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. (NIV)



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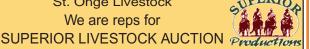
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This is the last column I will write as Governor of South Dakota, and I want to say "thank you."

Thank you to the people of South Dakota. It was a great honor when you placed your confidence in me. Over these past eight years, I have always tried to work hard to make our state better. Whenever times were tough, your strength encouraged me.

I first saw that strength during the Missouri River floods of 2011. Releases from the Oahe Dam were nearly triple the previous record. Large portions of Pierre, and nearly all of Fort Pierre and Dakota Dunes, were threatened by the flooding. In a matter of days, we filled hundreds of thousands of sandbags and we built emergency levies that saved most of Pierre, Fort Pierre and Dakota Dunes. Thousands of South Dakotans stepped up – National Guard, law enforcement, first responders, busloads of volunteers, hundred s of truckers, and even prison inmates. As I said at the time - "As high as the floodwaters rose, South Dakota rose even higher."

I saw that same spirit again and again over the eight years I've been governor – during Winter Storm Atlas, tornadoes in Wessington Springs and Delmont, fires in the Black Hills. I'll never forget that selflessness -South Dakotans helping each other. Those weren't the easiest moments, but they were the times when I was most proud to be governor of South Dakota.

I also thank the many fine people who have worked so hard on my behalf - in my cabinet, on my staff, or leading important work in state agencies. South Dakotans can be proud of the public servants who work for state government. Their advice and hard work helped me make better decisions.

Governor Matt Michels. He has been a great lieutenant governor, in so many ways. He has helped with disaster response. He has led low-profile efforts to improve state risk management, insurance, bonding, and internal controls. More than anything else, Matt Michels cares about people – all people. Matt is a great South Dakotan and our state has been fortunate to have him serving us.

My wife, Linda, has been an outstanding First Lady. She led state efforts to reduce infant mortality. She encouraged more people to become foster parents. She read to thousands of students, visiting 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade classes in 285 schools. But as much as she's been a terrific first lady, she's

been a loving and devoted wife. Along with our three children, Laura, Sara, and Chris, my family have always been loyal and supportive, and I'm looking forward to spending more time with them.

I owe much to my parents. My mom and dad were both born deaf, but they didn't allow that to deter them. They worked hard on our farm for years, and once we were old enough, my sisters and I worked hard too. When Dad had financial troubles and had to sell the livestock and equipment, he didn't use his deafness as an excuse. He and my mother drove fifty miles, every day, to work as janitors in the dormitories at Augustana. It was work that some people would not accept. But my parents taught me an

important lesson - that all work has dignity.

Most people wouldn't call my father a particularly successful man. He died with very little. But he worked hard, he took care of himself, and he paid his bills. He was self-reliant, persistent, and frugal. He was successful to me. South Dakota is a special place because

there are many, many people who carry those same values with them and set that same example in their lives, every day.

That is why I love South Dakota. That is why it has



been my great honor to be your governor. And that is why I know that our best days are still yet to come.



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The Good Stuff

by Jim Thompson

Jim Thompson takes motivational stories that listeners and readers send him and incorporates them into the program. It has been on the air for more than 10 years.

The Passing of the Year

By Robert W. Service, 1874 - 1958

My glass is filled, my pipe is lit,
My den is all a cozy glow;
And snug before the fire I sit,
And wait to feel the old year go.
I dedicate to solemn thought
Amid my too-unthinking days,
This sober moment, sadly fraught
With much of blame, with little praise.

Old Year! upon the Stage of Time You stand to bow your last adieu; A moment, and the prompter's chime Will ring the curtain down on you. Your mien is sad, your step is slow; You falter as a Sage in pain; Yet turn, Old Year, before you go, And face your audience again.

That sphinx-like face, remote, austere,
Let us all read, whate'er the cost:
O Maiden! why that bitter tear?
Is it for dear one you have lost?
Is it for fond illusion gone?
For trusted lover proved untrue?
O sweet girl-face, so sad, so wan
What hath the Old Year meant to you?

And you, O neighbour on my right So sleek, so prosperously clad! What see you in that aged wight That makes your smile so gay and glad? What opportunity unmissed?
What golden gain, what pride of place?
What splendid hope? O Optimist!
What read you in that withered face?

And You, deep shrinking in the gloom,
What find you in that filmy gaze?
What menace of a tragic doom?
What dark, condemning yesterdays?
What urge to crime, what evil done?
What cold, confronting shape of fear?
O haggard, haunted, hidden One
What see you in the dying year?

And so from face to face I flit, The countless eyes that stare and stare; Some are with approbation lit, And some are shadowed with despair. Some show a smile and some a frown; Some joy and hope, some pain and woe: Enough! Oh, ring the curtain down! Old weary year! it's time to go. My pipe is out, my glass is dry; My fire is almost ashes too; But once again, before you go, And I prepare to meet the New: Old Year! a parting word that's true, For we've been comrades, you and I I thank God for each day of you; There! bless you now! Old Year, good-bye!

The Good Stuff was developed for radio by Jim Thompson nearly 2 decades ago. The Beacon is the only newspaper that it appears in. You can hear The Good Stuff in the Northern Black Hills on KBHB Sturgis, 810AM each weekday morning at 9:30. Or go online to KNKL.org each Monday through Saturday morning at 9:00

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Additional Results from World Series of Team Roping

In addition to the results published in last week's *Beacon* here are a few more Belle Fourche area competitors who also competed and placed at the World Series of Team Roping (WSTR) held last month in Las Vegas.

Tabitha Harris/Les Tiltrum won \$8500 in the #9 Roping **Curt Westland and Amanda Kooiker** were 18th in the #9 for \$11,400

The South Point Casino Arena & Equestrian Center is the venue and is usually sold out during the WSTR. The event is held alongside but separate from the WNFR in Las Vegas and this year paid out more than \$11 million dollars.

GAME. FISH AND PARKS

Camping Fee Changes for 2019

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission recently made three adjustments to park/ camping fees.

The Commission defined the new service of a modern cabin as being a structure with beds, electricity, sewer and water and established a fee of \$150/night. The Commission also increased the per night fee for the lodge at Shadehill Recreation area from \$205 to \$280 due to expansion of the lodge. The last adjustment established fees for the use of the Good Earth State Park amphitheater of \$300 for four hours and \$600 for all day (6 a.m. – 11 p.m. from May 1 - Sept. 30 and 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.from Oct. 1 – April 30).

Mickelson Trail Trek Registration Open

PIERRE, S.D. – Registration for the 22nd Annual Mickelson Trail Trek is now open. Bicyclists can sign up online at mickelsontrail.com.

South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks officials encourage bicyclists to register early to ensure spots in the Trek, which will be held Sept. 20-22, 2019. The ride is limited to 600 participants.

Registration before June 1 with merchandise is \$200, without merchandise \$170. Registration after June 1 is \$200, but merchandise is not available. The registration fee includes a trail pass for 2020.

Bob Fox Memorial Big Buck Winners

A big THANK YOU goes out to all of our sponsors for making the Bob Fox Memorial Youth Big Buck Contest possible: Dakota Mill and Grain of Belle Fourche(Dean Weinzetl), Center of the Nation Sportsmans Club, Dakota Territory Firearms, Main Insurance, Greens Alignment, Paseks Accounting, Nehl Dental, Jackson Dental, Phaze Electric(Dean Hauck), Runnings of Belle Fourche, Subway of Belle Fourche, DJD Taxidermy of Belle Fourche, Tractor Supply of Spearfish, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation(Gold Country Chapter), Jim and Roxie Dacar, Fred and Kathy Lamphere, Crago Outfitting, Trophies Plus Outfitters, Fairview Ranch Outfitters, Chris and Krinda Fox, Coops Barber Shop, Jan Persche, Martie Haines and DJ Drieling for scoring the deer.



BIG BUCK WINNERS - (L to R) Lance Septka (Mule Deer Rifle), Lance Turner (Archery Mule Deer), Brynn Grubl (Whitetail Rifle). Lance Turner won the Head Mount sponsored by DJD



RIFLE WINNER - This was sponsored by Center of the Nation Sportsmans Club and Dakota Territory Firearms. (L to R) Kayden Vasknetz and Rick Walton (CONSC) Taxidermy -Courtesy Photo



GOOD TURNOUT - Guided Hunt Winners: Trophies Plus Outfitters-Trevor Harrison, Fred and Kathy Lamphere-Hudson Ewert, Jim and Roxie Dacar-Riley Newman, Crago Outfitting-Cade Bickerdyke, Fairview Ranch Outfitters-Turner Scherr. -Courtesy Photo

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N-V-N Roundup

COLLEEN BRUNNER

news@bellefourchebeacon.com NEWELL - The newly formed Newell Improvement Committee, a subsidiary of the Newell Community Club, is busy raising funds to build a splashpad in the north park in town. They have met regularly, gaining new members with new ideas and met all interested parties on December 19th at Butte Electric's community room.

"We gave them an overview of the mission of the NIC, as well as provided information on the Splash Pad project, so they had a basic understanding before the meeting began," said Chairman Rose Mary Johnson.

The group is working on the splashpad and has also expressed the idea of building a skating rink also in the north park. If anyone would like to help with either project, or would like to donate they can contact Johnson at Newell Hardware.

In the first annual Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the Newell Improvement Committee the winners were: 1st-Charlie Harrison, 2nd-Neil and Linda Vollmer, 3rd- Max and Suzanne Wetz, and 4th-John and Lori Deighton.

LION'S CLUB

The Newell Lion's club had their Christmas meeting on December 12 at the Senior center. "We had a great evening with 19 club members, two Leo club members and three significant others," said Lion Neil Vollmer. "District Governor Bea Gifford and her husband Ken were also in attendance."

Newell Lion's Club member Linda Vollmer recently delivered to Rapid City Regional Hospital Neonatal Unit 100 preemie baby caps that people from the club had knitted. They also took caps to the Spearfish Hospital as well. They had booths at the Lions Convention so had other Lion members helping. This is part of the 100 Year Celebration for the Lions

SCHOOLS / CHURCHES

The Newell School PK, Kindergarteners, and first graders went Christmas caroling at the Green and Grand Apartments this last

"The students gave each resident homemade cards and posters made by PK-5th grade," said their teacher. "It sure brightened their day to have the students come sing to them and they appreciated the cards." Mr. Schoenfish's high school class, Mrs. Muckridge's preschoolers, and Mrs. Price's first graders got into the Christmas spirit today by getting together for some Christmas coloring. It was a cross grade teaching event for the students. The Newell Evangelical Church held their annual Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 23 to a full house.



TOP LIONS - The Newell Lions held their Christmas meeting with Dist. Gov. Bea Gifford (left) in attendance. She is shown with Lions Betty Bruner and Ken Wetz. - Courtesy Photo



Spreading the Holiday Cheer



SINGIN' THEIR HEARTS OUT - The Newell School Pre-K, Kindergarteners, and First Graders went Christmas caroling at the Green and Grand Apartments during the week before Christmas. - Courtesy Photo

NHS Basketball and Wrestling Head into New Year after Busy December

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Things will soon heat up in January starting this weekend. But looking back to December it was a busy month with multiple ball games for the high school varsity teams. Tuesday, Dec. 11th, saw the NHS teams host Lead in a girl's/ boy's double-header. The girls played well, staying with the Golddiggers all the way, ending just six points shy of a victory, 49-43. Austin Alexander, Dana Youngberg and Kayden Steele put up 11 points each, with Lexa Burtzlaff a close second with 10 points.

In the boy's game David Morell and Payton Burtzlaff shared top scoring honors, each chipping in eight points. The offense struggled a bit with their best scoring output coming in the third quarter with 13 team points.. But it was not enough and they lost, 46-33.

On Friday night, Dec. 14th, the girls went on a tear scoring 58 points against Tiospaye Topa to notch their second win of the season, 58-41. They doubled

the Thunderhawks' scoring pace in both the first and second quarters, until after the half Kobey Ironwing took control of the game putting up 18 points with the help of her teammates, bringing the two teams nearly even at the end of three periods, 43-42, with Newell on top. The Lady Irrigators came back in the fourth period scoring 15 points to the Thunderhawks' nine for the victory. Kayden Steele racked up 22 points and Dana Youngberg added 13, with other Irrigators in single digits.

Next up for the girls is a pair of home games this Friday and Saturday with Lemmon (5pm) and McIntosh (3pm).

The boy's team was coming off two losses, the first to Bison on Dec 8th and a loss to Lead on Dec. 11th. So, they had some ground to gain. They matched the Thunderhawks' in the first period, ending 10-10. They punched things up a bit going on a 15-to-7 scoring run in the second period and the half ended 25-17. Losing a little ground in the third, they made up for it in the fourth and grabbed their first win of the season, 54-43

Payton Burtzlaff was high with 18, trailed by Brock Kjellson with 14. John Jackson put up

"They're playing better," said Coach Trevor Fiedler. "We played sloppy at Bison and sloppy on against Lead. We played well starting with the second quarter (tonight)."

The boy's ended the month with a 68-55 win at Dupree and will take a 2-2 record into tonight's (Jan. 3) game at Sundance, WY.

WRESTLING

In wrestling news, the high school grapplers competed in the Hot Springs tourney Friday and Saturday, Dec. 14th-15th, coming away with good match-

"The day started off a bit rough, but finished on a good note," said Coach Mike Phelps. Places were as follows: Chase VanDerBoom-6th place at 120; Garrett Winkler, 7th place at 132; Marvin King, 3rd at 145; Caleb McGregor, 3rd at 160; and Wyatt Winkler, 8th at 160.

Next up for the NHS Wres tlers is the Lyman Tournament in Presho this Friday and Sat.





HOLIDAY HOOPS - (Left) Dana Youngberg (21) watches to see if her bucket is good during the contest Dec. 14th with the Thunderhawks. (Right) Payton Burtzlaff, (15) goes up for two of his 18 points against Tiospaye Topa also on Dec. 14th. - Colleen Brunner photos

'This Little Flag' Brings NHS Students and Veterans Together



TRUE COLORS - The Newell senior flag team presented the flag in a special demonstration during the Veteran's Day program at Newell school. - Beacon photo

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NEWELL - One of the highlights of the 2018-19 school year thus far came on Monday, Nov. 12th during the Veteran's Day program at Newell High School.

'See this little flag?" asked 1st Lieutenant in the South Dakota Air National Guard Jesse Komes He pointed to the American flag on the shoulder of his uniform as he spoke to the students, staff and gathered veterans at the event.

"This little flag takes me across the state once a month. This little flag has taken me from coast to coast, and many states in between, in this great country," he said. Komes said the little flag will be on his shoulder as he deploys this

As he and his brother Specialist/E-4 Firefighter Matthew Komes shared the duties of guest speaker for the event, Jesse said that flag had asked much of him and other veterans, some even giving their lives. Komes said the country that the flag represents will continue to ask much of military members as they spend many months away from their families deployed various places around the world.

He asked all those present that they continue to respect and support those who have served in the past or currently serve.

The event, organized by Director of the Whatever it Takes Coalition, was held in Austin Auditorium and music by the Newell School combined

LITTLE FLAG B4

First Graders "Help" Santa

Fun Holiday Leftovers

How would you help Santa if he were stuck in your chimney?

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NEWELL - Ronda Price's first grade class in the Newell elementary school is obviously excited for the Christmas season. They recently read a book called, "Santa's Stuck," by Rhonda Gowler Green "First we read the book, and then we shared as a group how we would help Santa," said Price. They shared in pairs and then went back to their seats to

Jaedyn Adams: I will get my sister and my mom and dad to poosh him out. Then I will get Shtrike, my cat, and Coke and Copre. Then I will get my granpa too help as to poosh him

write how they would help San-

ta. Some of these are priceless.

out. Then we will grub a chane. Then I would tive him up. Then I would tiye him up to my horse too poosh him out. Pop!

Lucille Ahart: I would get a ladder and get on the roof. Then AHHH its icy so I woud be careful. Then I woud get the deer. Some deer woud go inside and some woud stay on the roof with me. Next we would push and pull. And Santa would pop out. And I would say goodbye.

Zane Baker: I would get my dad and go down to poppa Ed's. Then get greese. Next put it around my chimney. Last push him out. He would pop right

Braylee Barrera: I would get buttr around the chimney. I will wake my dad up and we will pull him out.

Rilee Crockford: I would get my tractor and I would get my winch. Then I would pull him

out. Pop!

Kallye Eaton: I would get a rowp and my dad's trakter and tiy the rowp and tiy the traker to Santa. I would drive it to pull Santa. Pop!

Dylan Evans: I would get my mom and my dad so me and my mom and my dad can pop Santa awt! We could pop pop pop

Victoria Fischbach: I would call all of my annimals, all of my hoses, and all of my dogs. Next we would push him. Then he would pop out.

Nicholas Gomez: I would get oil and powr it down the chimney. Then I would push Santa. He would pop out.

Ari Koenen: I would put butter around the chimney and push him down. He came sliding down the chimney fast.

Clayton Maggard: I would get a pail of water and dump it on him. He would pop right out because it's icey water.

Kylee Martin: I will get my frog to poosh with his legs and my dog to poosh with his hed. And my hors to poosh with his legs. He would pop out.

Braydn Overweg: I would get a roge from the gerog and I would go on my roof and tell Santa to get the rope. I would pull and then he would pop right out.

Jaden Retzlaff: I will buttr Santa and the chimney too. Then I will poosh Santa out with my dogs pooshing too. And I will get my family.

Amber Shaykett: I will git baby oil. I will pud it aroud his bele. I bet it will tickl. And I will get my sistrs. I will tell my sistrs about Santa. Then my sistrs will help me. They will

help me pull Santa awt. Michael VanDorn: I wuold put tire slime in my chimney. Then I woold push Santa. Then he would pop out.

Whitley Wendt: I would get a ladder. I would stand on it. It would be good. It would make me tall. Then I would push him. He will pop.

Harper Whitacre: I will get my dad to help Santa. He will get a rope. He will pull Santa ote. He would pop.

Coming to Christmas

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NISLAND – During this past December, the congregation of Nisland Independent Com-

munity Church fulfilled their annual tradition of welcoming the Christmas season through a gathering of members and friends. The history of this event

goes back to the old-fashioned Christmas Tea, held for many years for the women of the church. There was a variety of sharing, including a bell choir, several musical presentations and sometimes even skits put together by members of the

This year was no different in the special time that was shared together, as the Jay and Jenn Stomprud family of Mud Butte area shared for nearly an hour in song and words.

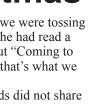
The event, which began at 3 p.m. was attended by nearly 50 people who enjoyed the Christmas décor in the church, and certainly the special music presented by this family, which included son Elijah on bass and son Joshua on the technical end of things. Jay plays the drums and Jenn plays keyboard. Normally their daughter Kaira plays ukulele, but was out of action with sinus infection.

"I was trying to come up with a theme for our presentation. said Jenn. "As I spoke with Colleen (Brunner) we were tossing around ideas. She had read a devotional about "Coming to Christmas," so that's what we went with.

The Stompruds did not share How many Kings, Let us Adore, according to Stomprud.

"We want to get to the heart people do you think would give

According to the words that Jenn and Jay shared during the hour-long program, the story of

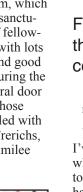


the traditional Christmas carol music, but instead put together songs that told the real story of Christmas through contemporary Christian music. They included: Come as you Are, Praise Him, and Even So. Each of the songs contained a message of its own, and together told the story of preparing ourselves for the celebration of the true meaning of Christmas,

of what this (the season) is all about," said Jenn. "How many their only son to provide for your salvation?"

Jesus is an amazing one.

Following the program, which was held in the church sanctuary, there was a time of fellowship in the church hall with lots of Christmas goodies and good conversation shared. During the time of fellowship several door prizes were awarded. Those taking home baskets filled with goodies were: Tansey Frerichs, Cyndi Ranking and Emmilee





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Newell High School Establishes Athletics Hall of Fame

Five to be inducted in the initial class during ceremonies May 9th.

COLLEEN BRUNNER news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL - "It's something I've been working on for a while now" said Activity Di tor Steve Schoenfish. It actually has been quite a while, but Schoenfish hasn't let that stop him from finally succeeding.

The purpose of the Newell School District Hall of Fame shall be to recognize those men and women and community members who have made outstanding contributions to Newell School District athletic programs, according to their mission statement.

"The history behind it, is what is important," said Schoenfish. "There are so many who need to be recognized." The AD doesn't mean just those who participated as an athlete. The

committee will be made up of seven members, including the current superintendent, the AD, a coach, two school

board members and two community mem-

Currently that includes Superintendent Robin Dutt, Schoenfish Coach Scott Wince. Board members, Lisa Wendt

and Darren Alexander, and community members Elaine Hewson and Randy Fox. The board and community members serve either a one or two-year

To be eligible for consideration a person must have been out of high school for at least 10 years, and there shall be no year qualifications for coaches/ advisors, contributors, media, etc. Any person who has been involved with Newell School District athletics is eligible for consideration.

The board is seeking nom-

inations by February 1, and the awards will be made at the spring athletic banquet, sched-

uled for May 9. Each inductee will be presented with a plaque and there will also be a plaque placed in the lobby of Austin Auditorium honoring all members of the NHS Hall of Fame.

During this initial year, five inductions will take place and after the 2018-2019 year three inductees for each following year will be initiated. The nomination form is available on the school website and anyone is eligible to make a nomination.

"This will be a new beginning," said Schoenfish. Each nominee will be researched for correct info and a photo submitted with the nomination is welcome. For more information you can contact Schoenfish at the school at 605-456-2393.



COMING TO CHRISTMAS - Jenn, Elijah and Jay Stomprud, share a special concert at the Nisland Independent Community Church in Nisland on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 2nd. - Beacon photo

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LITTLE FLAG

band with the elementary and middle school/high school choir presenting special patriotic music during the program. The first graders led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The middle school students were working on their Patriot's Pen articles and those checks were presented by Nila Charles, the VFW Quartermaster. Kim Johnson took first place, Joshua Stomprud second, and Rachelle Charles third.

Three VFW members presented the colors. They included Charles, Rosemary Johnson, and Jake Dell. The Newell high school senior flag team did a flag presentation and a video presentation with photos and information about veterans living in the local area played. Jerry Seaman shared a letter that his father, Don, had written. Don is one of two World War II veterans, the other being Elaine Geib who was not able to attend.

Finally with the culmination of the program the students lined up to shake hands with all the veterans who gathered to celebrate the occasion.



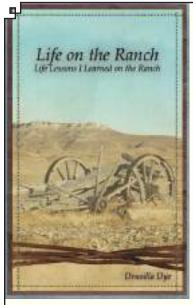
VETERANS TRIBUTE -(Top Left) 1st Lieutenant in the South Dakota Air National Guard Jesse Komes holds up a small American flag as he and his brother Matthew, left, share during the Veteran's day program at Newell school. (Top right) A young student from Newell school shakes hands with World War II Vet Don Seaman during the Veteran's program. (Right) Patriot's pen winners were announced during the Veteran's day program. Winners included: First-Kim Johnson, second-Joshua Stomprud, and third-Rachel Charles. -Beacon Photos











In 45 heart-warming devotions, Drusilla Dye illustrates God's lessons in everyday ranch adventures, inspiring readers with her series Life on the Ranch: Life Lessons I Learned on the Ranch.

The series began in 2000 as a simple newsletter to family and friends, updating them on exciting happenings at the ranch in eastern Montana. Enthused by many of these life lessons God taught her on the ranch and with the encouragement of friends and family. Drusilla shares her spiritual life lessons she has learned for each experience.

Drusilla Dye was born in eastern South Dakota and raised in the Black Hills. She has been an elementary teacher for 24 years, teaching in Minnesota and Montana. She and her husband, Chip, live on a ranch in southeast Montana where they enjoy many of God's creations.

The book can be purchased localy from the following locations: Mason's 5th Ave, Patty's Place, Hair Country, and B&Js Convenience, Alzada, MT or online through ChristianFaith-Publishing.com, Barnes & Noble,

Amazon, and iTunes.





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Looking Back in Belle

These articles come from newspaper microfilm at the Belle Fourche Public library. The photographs are from the Tri-State Museum.

122 years ago - Belle Fourche Times January 9, 1896 First Edition

1st Weekly Newspaper - Belle Fourche Bee One of the earliest institutions of the young town in 1891 was the establishment of a weekly newspaper, the Belle Fourche Bee, by W. K. Frazer and Geo. E. Hair. Mr. Hair, who is at present Butte county's representative in the State Legislature, was the efficient editor, and under his management the Bee accomplished much in the development of the town and county. The paper always enjoyed the confidence and liberal patronage of the citizens, and later under the regime of the Bee Publishing Company was largely instrumental in securing the location of the permanent county seat at Belle Fourche. After the fire (1895) the paper fell into hards of DeKay Bros., publishers of the Whitewood Plainsdealer, and residents of that place, and since then the Bee has been published as a sort of supplement to that paper. As a result of this unsatisfactory combination, the field for a good newspaper – a home institution - was left open, and The Times will try to fill the requirements of a live, home newspaper, with Belle Fourche as the first and only town whose interests are to be considered and advanced.

A Condensed Review of Belle

Fourche - The Fire-Swept

Town of Belle Fourche Re-Built Continued At this date, only three months after the fire, the appended figures will best indicate the implicit confidence held by the citizens in the future of the town. The following is a list of the buildings erected, or nearing completion, since the fire, with their actual cost as near as can be ascertained: Butte County Bank, two-story stone block - \$4,000; Hotel Belle Fourche, two-story -4,000; Hotel Dyer, three-story and basement – 6,000; Isbell & Woodburn, three-story store -2,500; Hotel Brant, two-story and basement -1,000; Dane & Erdman, two-story -1,000; Fuller & Thullen, livery barn, two-story and basement -1,500; C. R. Wells, saddlery, two-story – 1,000; F. Stiles, saloon building – 1,000; Holmes & Mitchell, jewelry, two-story – 800; Gay Bros., two-store rooms – 1,000; R. Mullenger, office building, two-story – 750; Mrs. Taylor, millinery store – 150; Miscellaneous small buildings – 1,500; Miss Wilson, dwelling – 650; F. A. Gammon, dwelling – 700; D. J. Arnold, dwelling – 500; C. Simmerlee, dwelling - 750; Total \$31,400. Gay Brothers, one of the pioneer mercantile firms of Belle Fourche, have plans ready for an elegant stone block, fifty feet front and eighty feet deep, on their property corner of Maple and Second (now State and 5th) streets, and work on the same will begin very soon. At present this firm is located in a

temporary building put after the

fire, but it is entirely inadequate for their large and increasing volume of business.

100 years ago - January 2,

1919 - The Northwest Post Asks Wilson To Aid League Former Foreign Secretary and Viscount Bryce Make Plea to President London, Dec. 30, President Wilson, at the American embassy today, received a delegation from the League of Nations union. It has headed by Viscount Grey, former secretary for foreign affairs, and it included the archbishop of Canterbury and Viscount Bryce, former British ambassador to the United States. The President, in addressing the delegation, said: "Gentlemen, I am very much complemented that you should come in person to present this address and I have been delighted and stimulated to find the growing and prevailing interest, merely, but a growing purpose which I am sure will prevail, and it is delightful that members of the government which brought this nation into the war because of the moral obligations based upon a treaty should be among those who have brought me this paper, because on the other side of the water we have greatly admired the motives and subscribed to the principles which actuated the government of Great Britain in obeying that moral dictate."

King Calls On Wilson Wishes President Many Happy Returns on the Day of Sixty-Second Birthday King George called at President Wilson's apartment Saturday to bring him many happy returns of the day. It was President Wilson's birthday – his sixty-second.

Max Schuft Returns Max Schuft arrived Friday from Camp Vail, near Asbury Park, N. J., having been discharged from military service. Max would have been in France by this time had the armistice not been signed, as his division was all ready to sail when Butcher Bill quit the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dunn of Harding were the recipients of about the finest Christmas present in this part of the country – a nine-pound son, Kenneth Bruce – born at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Peck, east of

Hanged For Burning Coal There Was a Time When Job of Looking After Production Would Have Been Sinecure In the reign of Edward I the inhabitants of London petitioned the king against the growing use of coal, declaring that it was "a public nuisance, corrupting the air with its stink and smoke, to the great detriment of their health." Whereupon the king prohibited its use, offenders to be punished for the first offense by a fine and for a second to have their kilns and furnaces destroyed. The practice of using coal was at length made a capital offense and a man was tried, condemned and hanged for burning coal in London. In those days the population of

by Mary Buchholz

England did not exceed four or five million, and wood was plentiful and cheap from the vast forests that covered tens of thousands of square miles where now are great towns.

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75 years ago –The Belle Fourche Bee January 6, 1944 Fourth War Loan Plans Announced Carl M. Jacobsen, county chairman, announces that the Butte county quota in the Fourth War Loan drive is \$422,000. The national quota is fourteen billion dollars, of which five billion will be from individuals. The drive gets under way January 18 and will continue through to February 15, or for a period of thirty

Improvement Story From City Council Shows Much Work Airport, New Foot Bridge, Park, Waterworks, Library Among New Projects Owing to present war conditions, practically all buildings activities during the past year were confined to remodeling, repairing, and most of the improvements chalked up were of a civic nature. Local lumber firms state that new home construction was virtually at a stand-still, but that considerable remodeling and repairing were carried out on tributary farms and ranches. Here are some of the highlights of civic improvements either started or completed by the city council during 1943. A new 1,800 acre municipal airport site was acquired located about seven miles northwest of Belle Fourche, adjacent to U.S. Highway 212. The city inaugurated its summer recreational program in Herrmann Park during the year, acquiring playground equipment, grading and graveling a park road, setting out of many trees, and adding other recreational features. A much-needed foot-bridge



across Belle Fourche river was completed north across the street from the post office. This bridge has two concrete arches on either side of the river with double steel cable suspension structure of timber across the river. From the bridge a board foot walk was built to connect with the old board walk leading north to the Belleview section of the city. Improvements in the city water-works system comprised the laying of an emergency line across the river, and the repairing of the line across the bottom of the river, which furnished city water to residents living north of the Belle Fourche river. Last month work was started on replacing the last bit of wooden pipe leading from the intake springs on Spearfish creek to the reservoir tank on top of Redwater hill. This remaining line consists of about 3,000 feet, 1,000 feet of which have already been completed. During the year the new city library located in the old Gray school building, which has been remodeled into a commodious library room, and many new books and other reading material have been added. In highway construction, U. S. Highway 212 is now gravel surfaced from Newell to near Mud Butte, there remaining now only 38 miles of dirt surfacing. Carl Flocke has sold his ranch and livestock 3 miles

north of Belle Fourche, and will move to his home in the north part of town. Carl has been on that place for almost thirty-seven years, locating there in 1907, a year after he came to this country from his native land. In his younger days he had a varied experience in England and in Europe, spending one vear with the Barnum & Bailey circus on its European tour, and the two years with the Buffalo



Bill Wild West shows while they were touring the principal cities of England, France, and other European countries, and finally came to America with the Buffalo Bill outfit.

50 years ago – The Belle Fourche Daily Post January 2, 1969

County Officials To Begin New Terms Here Next Week Butte county commissioners will meet Jan. 7 to organize for the new year. There will be but one new face among the elected officers at the courthouse. That will be Maude Kendrick, who takes over as county treasurer, succeeding Mrs. Edith Esmay. County Auditor Rosemary Mc-Mahon will begin her new term in March. Supt. Of Schools Helen Tidball will start her new term July 1 as will members of the county board of education. All other elected officials begin new terms next week.

Mike and Nancy Black, son and daughter of Mrs. Vernon Black, were home to spend the Christmas holidays with their mother and sister Peggy. Mike left this week to join Father Schirber and six classmates from St. John's College in Minnesota. They will join 140 other students from various schools in the United States and travel to Europe for a foreign study seminar on European economic institutions. Nancy will remain here until Sunday, at which time she will resume her studies at the University of Wyoming at Laramie.

Mr. and Mrs. John Durr's

50th Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. John Durr of Belle Fourche were honored Sunday afternoon in observance of their golden wedding anniversary. The event was held at the Congregational church here with the Durr children as hosts. The anniversary date is actually Jan. 29, 1969 but the observance was stepped up a month so the children could be present. Over 50 persons stopped by to extend greetings. The couple were married Jan. 29, 1919 at Hillsborough, N.D. Both were living in Belle Fourche at the time. John had been here about eight years and Mrs. Durr was

Mr. and Mrs. Durr in their wedding pictures in 1919, (left) and during their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 1969.

teaching school here.



Belle Fourche Church Schedules

BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH 1407 5th Ave. Belle Fourche 605-569-8380 Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM Bob Davis, Pastor

BLACK HILLS GOSPEL ASSEMBLY 1/2 Mile east on hwy 34 · 210-1374

Kenny Riley, pastor Sunday: 1 p.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. Friday: 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER 2020 Vista St · 892-4767 Paul Howard, Pastor Sunday Schedule Long Term Care Service 8:45 a.m.

Sunday School: All ages 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. Evening Service: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF **LATTER DAY SAINTS** 1105 Todd St.

Brad Buchholz, Bishop Sunday: 9 a.m. Sacrament Meeting 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Priesthood meeting Wednesday: young men, young women and girl scouts

EMMANUEL BAPTIST (SBC) 902 Lawrence St. · 723-6899 Andy Anderson, Pastor Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Wednesday: 6 p.m. Prayer Service

CONNECTION CHURCH (SBC) 613 Sixth ave., Belle Fourche (605)-210-2150 Pastor Stephen Carson Worship Pastor Ashton Rone Sunday: 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship

> **FIRST BAPTIST** 807 8th Ave. 892-4178 Pastor Tim Smith Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. Bible Study

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC 717 Jackson St. · 892-3402 Pastor Del Neumeister Sunday: 9:35 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH PO Box 46, 200 Dartmouth Ave. Newell

605-456-2767 Worship: 9 a.m. Wednesday afternoon children's time during the school year, 3:45-5:15 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

901 Laurel St. Whitewood (605)-920-1959 Reverand Jill Jennewein

Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Adult & Teen Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School

LANDMARK MISSIONARY **BAPTIST CHURCH**

(ABA) · 2.2 miles east on Hwy 34 723-1092

Sunday: 10 a.m. worship service

NEW COVENANT PCA 1140 Ames St. Spearfish 642-1122

Luke Bluhm, Pastor Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service

NORTHERN HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST 5 miles south of Belle Fourche on

Hwy 85 · 642-7167 Thomas Pruett - Minister Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Class 10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Class NISLAND INDEPENDENT

COMMUNITY CHURCH On Hwy 212 in Nisland (605) 257-2356

Pastor Doug Clark Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:45 a.m **PRAIRIE HOME CHURCH**

1701 Hwy 212, Newell Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.

RANGELAND MINISTRIES **CHURCH** Alzada, MT Sunday: Worship: 10:00am

Mark Leverington, Lay Pastor **SALVATION ARMY OF THE NORTHERN HILLS** 120 Ryan Rd., Spearfish

605-642-0924 Envoys: Tim and Peggy North Sunday: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School: 11 a.m. Worship Nursery avaliable

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL 6th and Roundup · 892-2446 The Rev. Evelyn Weaver The Rev. Sandy Williams, Priests Deacon Rev. Mike Weaver Sunday: 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. Prayer Wednesday: 6:30 p.m., Learning and Discovery Study

ST. ONGE UNITED CHURCH OF **CHRIST**

Del Neumeister, Pastor Sunday School and Worship at 8:30 a.m.

ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH 834 6th Ave., Belle Fourche Msgr. Michael Woster, Pastor Fr. John Paul Trask, As. Pastor Mass Times

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Wednesday: 7:30 am. Friday: 12:15 p.m. followed by Adoration with 2pm Benediction 4th Friday of the month @Belle Fourche Nursing Home: 10:30 a.m. Saturday confession 2-3 p.m.

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN

110 Stanley · 723-3923 Sunday: 9am Adult Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship Wed: iPraise - after school 7th-8th grade confirmation 4 p.m. Thurs. Pray Without Ceasing 10am Friday: 7 a.m. Lutheran Men in Missions, Belle Inn Saturday: 5 p.m. Worship

SUMMIT OPEN BIBLE **FELLOWSHIP** Seventh and Summit

892-4630 or 892-4389 Pastor Rick and Diane Brennan Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Kidz Church Immediatly Following Wednesday: September - May 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study Kidz Alive (Kindergarten - 6th Grade)

UNITED METHODIST 1804 Seventh Ave. ·892-2405 www.bellefourcheumc.com Bob Duemig, Pastor Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Worship Following

9:30 a.m. Sunday School Wednesday: 10 a.m. & 7 p.m. - Bible Study

VALE COMMUNITY COUNTRY **CHURCH**

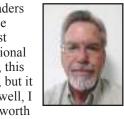
Pastor Darla Dunn 402 Rosander St. Vale SD 57788 Service Sunday: 10 a.m. 605-210-0512

Pastor's Perspective

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Pastor Del Neumeister, from First Congregational UCC in Belle Fourche

Anno Novo Domini: In the new year of our Lord

For the readers of the Belle Fourche 1st Congregational newsletter, this is a repeat, but it speaks so well, I thought it worth two reads.



Every year we do it, we start a NEW year. And every year pastors all over speak of the opportunity we all have of making a new start. Truly, Christianity is about new. We get to be new every time we go to Christ and say, "I'm sorry!" I know this is true, I know we need to repent, I know all of this, but it feels, well, somewhat contrived. If I say it every year, are we really making progress? I know; there are people that need to hear it and that never goes away, but

truly, how often do I need to hear, let alone say, that we can be new creatures in Christ? Well, I for one need to hear it frequently.

The reminder, if that's what we should call it, that God forgives, is needed all the time. The reason is simple; we mess up! Every day I make a decision to do something that is wrong. I know it's wrong, I've felt it's wrong, but I still chose to do it. When the guilt comes, that's when I need to go to God and say with all sincerity, "I'm sorry!" My heart then says, "You better not do that again!" I might, but then again; probably not. It is good that I remember that God forgives when I ask. As we do enter into the year

2019, let's do more. More love, more joy, more faith, more of

the things Jesus has challenged us to do.

More love means that we stop the hate and seek what we can truly do for our neighbors. Hate has no place in Christ.

More joy means that we look for the blessings that are in all the things around us. We need to have joy, mostly, because of

More faith. Faith says that I trust in God. Faith says that I will stop trying to do it all myself. Faith says that I don't have to manipulate things, because God has a handle on it. More of the things Jesus has challenged us to do; that can be any number of things. Look into your heart and listen to what it is saying. It could be a new relationship, it could be a new mission, it could be speaking your faith, it could be anything. I pray that 2019 is the year of Christ for you.

Capitol News

KAREN ODELL

news@bellefourchebeacon.comSuddenly 2019 has arrived. It seems the years are flying past and the children quickly become adults. Karen and Charlie Odell want to thank all the people of the Capitol and Tie Creek area for sharing their lives with people all across the country who read the Capitol News. It is astounding that I can name people from California, Virginia, Florida, Ohio and many more states. There are readers in Ireland and other countries and our news has gone to Afghanistan to soldiers there. Our lives may seem mundane to us, but it seems that something of home is in our stories to make people remember, and laugh, and think about those we have known. Home is usually a good feeling with good memories, and Capitol and Tie Creek have

hoped to share that good feeling

with you. A group of Hard-

ing and Carter County people

gathered at Ft Meade hospital

Christmas Carols for the people

there. We were singing for the

this week to join in singing

veterans and those that were caring for them. We sang in the hallways and outside the doors for patients, and suddenly the bright smiling face of Brad

> Johnson came through one of the doors. The grin was wonderful to see, and he knew everyone of us personally. Some of us knew that he had been through one horrible day

just last week in his fight for survival, but on this day the wonderful smiling face was sustaining us instead. We sang our best for him, but the best surprise for us was that it was an even more special day. It was Brad's birthday, and we sang 'Happy Birthday' for him. He may not understand what he did for us that day. We had come to share our singing with the veterans, but what the veterans did for us was even more wonderful. As we went from room to room, it was the patients that smiled and waved to us. It was the patients that sang along with us, and shook our hands and gave us big

smiles. It was patients that even

came along with us in wheel chairs and joined in the singing, that made the caroling truly Christmas.

I am one who can understand

Scrooge. As a child in the 1940's and 1950's, Christmas was one day. There may have been a program a few days before Christmas and Christmas Eve may have had a candle lighting ceremony, but there was no thought of Christmas until December and most of the gifts were homemade. There was no Black Friday or Cyber Monday. Stores and companies were not mercenary until December. Personally, the greediness hidden behind the goodness of Christmas gets to me, making me want to stay away from the crowds and gaudiness in town. But that day at Ft Meade brought home the goodness that has sustained this world through many wars and constant attacks of hatred. How has the world survived with so much evil working against it? I saw the answer to that in the eyes and smiles at Ft Meade. What they gave to me was a most wonderful gift. What they gave me was Christmas back again.

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Come out and enjoy the day!

Grand River Roundup

BETTY OLSON

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Winter is officially here and all those dreaming of a "White Christmas" got their wish a day late. Frankly, I wasn't looking forward to all this snow, but I guess it will leave some moisture when it melts. Because of the holidays, I wrote the Roundup early last week and am writing this on the Thursday after Christmas, so some

of this will be the end of last week's news and from the first part of this week. That big snowstorm on the day after Christmas left a lot of snow on the ground around here.

Reub and I went to Hettinger last Thursday so he could have Kellee (Clanton) Hollenbeck give him a shot of "rooster juice" in his bad knee. Kellee is a Harding County girl who works as the nurse for Dr. Ackerman from Bismarck. She is working on some very interesting family histories on her grandparents Bill and Bonnie Clanton and the Hollenbeck side of her husband's family and thankfully she is writing all the information down.

The insurance company totaled out my car after hitting that second deer this year, so we stopped at RZ Motors and bought a big Dodge Ram pickup to replace it. They ordered a big grill guard to put on the front of the pickup, so those deer had better look out when they get it put on!

Raymond Lee took Casey with him to Sioux Falls on Friday so Raymond could buy a truck and they got home on Saturday. Trig came home from college in Spearfish on Friday and Lanie and Matt and their kids came down from Dickinson Friday afternoon. Teri Dee and Mike and their boys came from Buffalo, MN Saturday evening and Bryce got home from Chadron that night so they could all be here for the Olson family Christmas here on Sunday. The Slim Buttes Lutheran

Sunday School program was Sunday morning followed by the delicious meal that Linda and Henry Mohagen cook for the congregation as our Christmas present from them. After eating too much at church we came home for the Olson Christmas that afternoon. Not everyone could make it, but there were thirty two here for supper that evening! Starla and Rone Jenson also had their family Christmas on Sunday afternoon, so Taz and Amanda and the kids went up to celebrate with them. Guy, Cade and Cass headed back to Wyoming Sunday night to spend Christmas with Megan and Creed and Megan's family. Creed is still having some allergy issues, so he and Megan had to stay home

on Sunday.

Teri Dee and Mike had planned to drive back to Minnesota on Christmas morning, but after hearing the snowstorm warning, they left Christmas Eve morning. They stopped in Bison to visit my sister and her husband on the way back home. All of Casey and Missy's family went to Sturgis to celebrate Christmas Eve with Rick and Cindy Engle's family and Reub and I went to the Christmas Eve candlelight service at Slim

Buttes that evening. Casey and Missy had all of their family and us over to their house on Christmas day. All these celebrations of the birth of Jesus were absolutely wonderful! Over

the holiday I found a bunch of things that Sylvia Doll used to say that her daughter Elaine gave me several years ago and here is some great advice from Sylvia: "It's not the things you do at Christmas, it's the Christmas things you do all year."

Reub and I went to Hettinger on Wednesday for his physical at the clinic and his treatment with Mary Eggebo. It was snowing hard when we left here about 8:00 in the morning and it snowed hard all day. I had the pickup in 4 wheel drive the whole way because the roads were nasty even on the way to town that morning. It was late in the afternoon when we headed home and the roads were absolutely terrible. On the way home we met the Hettinger ambulance with lights flashing south of Reeder and there was a vehicle wrecked in the ditch south of Dorian Valloff's place. It snowed all that night and I took a ruler with me the next morning to see how deep the snow was when I went out to do chores. The snow on the flat measured between 3 ½ to 6 inches, so I'm guessing we probably got just over four inches total.

I'll leave you with this recipe for a Happy New Year: To leave the old with a burst

of song To recall the rights and forgive

the wrong; To forgive the thing that binds you fast

To the vain regrets of the year that's past;

To have the strength to let go your hold

Of the non-worthwhile of the days grown old; To dare to go forth with a

purpose true: To the unknown task of the

year that's new, To help your brother along the

To share his work and lift his load;

To add your gift to the world's good cheer,

Is to have and to give a Happy New Year.

Happy New Year to all of you from all of us.





Bree (above) is 15 she shot the Muley buck in Haakon County on a family friend's ranch. She said it was her biggest and most fun hunt. It was her 3rd buck since she has started hunting. Older brother Braydin is 19 and got his Muley in western Butte County with his bow. His first archery deer. The deer haven't been scored yet, but both are believed to be in the 150-160 range. Their parents are Bill and Shawna Eastman. Shawna owns "Posy Palace" florist in Belle Fourche and Bill is an area Conservation officer with SD Department of Game, Fish & Parks. *Courtesy photos*





Charlie Harrison, who lives on the main drag through Newell, won first in the first annual **Newell Improvement Committee's** holiday lighting contest. *Colleen Brunner photo*

Sewing Workshop

By: Ida Marie Snorteland A sewing workshop will be held on Thursday, January 10, from 4-6 PM in the Butte/Lawrence County Extension Office, 849 5th Avenue, Belle Fourche, South Dakota.

At this meeting we talk about pattern and fabric selection; so if you have a pattern and fabric in mind please bring them. Pattern selection, fabric selection, measurements and a fun activity will happen that afternoon.

It is open to all youth. Come learn and have fun.

We will have some wool

pieces available if you are interested in wool garment making.

The workshop will continue

on Friday, January 18, 9 am – 5 pm and continue on Saturday January 19, 9-noon.

Please bring a sack lunch on the 18th.
For more infor-

mation and to sign up contact Ida Marie Snorteland, 605-642-5123, please

leave a message.

Teachers will include, Cindy Burris, Michlene Mankin and Liz Young.

There will be a \$10.00 charge for supplies.

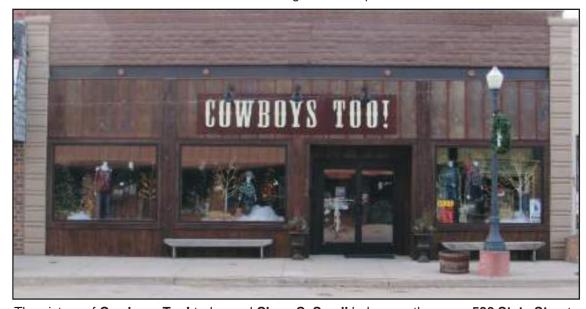




Bob's Cafe in the 1940's. The woman on the right in front of Bob's is Grace Storm. If anyone would know the identity of the woman on the left please advise the Beacon. It is a mystery to solve. *Courtesy photo*



Historical Clarification from last issue: Chas S. Small (picture above) Started "Small The Clothier" in this location on Saloon Street with the curved bay window after the great fire of 1895 wiped out most of Belle Fourche's business district. The building with the curved glass is on what is now called 5th Avenue is still standing and is the present home of Bob's Cafe.



The picture of **Cowboys Too!** today and **Chas. S. Small** below are the same **506 State Street** Location. Chas. S. Small's Store moved from the curved window establishment on Saloon Street to State St. in 1920. In 1939 he sold the establishment to Don Ross, an employee and retired. He lived in Belle with his wife Eleanor until his death in 1950.







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Regional Health Home + **Expands Community Support Services**

Regional Health Home+ Hospice is expanding its community grief support services. Starting January 2, 2019, there will be free community grief support groups offered twice monthly in Belle Fourche, Lead-Deadwood, Spearfish and Sturgis. Each group is free and open to anyone who is currently grieving.

In Belle Fourche, the community grief support group meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 3:00pm -4:00pm in St. James Lutheran Church, located at 1100 Stanley Street. Please use the east entrance.

In Lead-Deadwood, the community grief support group meets on the second and fourth Thursday of the month from 10:30am-11:30am in the Miners Den Conference Room of the RH Lead-Deadwood Hospital, located at 61 Charles Street in Deadwood. Please use the clinic entrance.

In Sturgis, the community grief support group meets on the first and third Friday of the month from 10:30am-11:30am in the Conference Room of the RH Sturgis Hospital, located at 949 Harmon Street in Sturgis. Please use the "old" hospital entrance by the gift shop.

In Spearfish, the community grief support group meets on the second and fourth Friday of the month from 3:00pm-4:00pm in the Spearfish Mountain Conference Room located in the lower level of the RH Spearfish Hospital. Please use the clinic entrance.

The popular 8-week course in Understanding Your Grief will take place from 10:30am to Noon beginning Monday, January 28, 2019 and concluding March 18, 2019. As the 8-week course is limited to 8 participants, advance registration is required by January 18. The 8-week course takes place in the Spearfish Mountain Conference Room of the RH Spearfish Hospital. Course book and course journal are provided free of charge.

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