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#### **State Legislature Again to Consider Merging University Administrators**

Economics drive plan asking Regents to consider combining BHSU and School of Mines leaders.

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BELLE FOURCHE - State Senator Ryan Maher (R) responded to the first audience question at Saturday's cracker barrel by explaining Senate Bill 55, a bill he introduced titled: An act to require the Board of Regents to prepare a plan providing for the shared administration of South Dakota School of Mines and Technology and Black Hills State University.

Maher said he introduced the legislation to, "get the conversation going again"

For starters BHSU has nine top administrators who equate to \$1.4 million of the budget. SD School of Mines has 11 in the budget for \$1.6 million.

The two schools combined have a student population of less than half of SDSU or USD. Maher was making the point that combined administrators would still have a smaller university to manage than the larger schools. "Hopefully we can effect positive change and cost savings together." In the 1960's the Board of

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State Sen. Ryan Maher (R)

Belle Fourche, SD Wednesday, February 5th, 2020

#### **HDTV 'Hometown Makeover' Inspires Flash Mob to Rally on State Street**



BF IS THEIR NEW 'BFF' - A flash mob gathered at Rail Park on State Street to take part in a video promotion being sent to HGTV in an effort to bring to Belle Fourche Ben and Erin Napier's 'HomeTown' program. You have until day's end February 7th to log into HGTVHomeTownTakeover.com and email your input to help further the efforts. Photo Courtesy Nathan Hoogshagen, Black Hills Photography

#### **Council Approves Purchase of Three UTV's**

#### **BRANDON BENNETT**

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BELLE FOURCHE - Most people view utility vehicles as toys, but the Belle Fourche Public Works Department considers them as tools vital to getting the job done around town. To that end, the City Council gave approval for the purchase of three new UTV's at the meeting January 21.

The purchase included either a 2019 Polaris Sportsman for \$7,620 or a 2020 Polaris Sportsman for \$8,220 from E.T. Sports. This purchase is budgeted for 2020 from the Parks Department.

Also, approval was given

to purchase a 2017 Kawasaki Mule 1040 from E.T. Sports for \$9,080. The quote from E.T. Sports was the only one submitted to the city. The money was budgeted for 2020 from the Roundup Grounds budget. Approval was also given to purchase a John Deere Gator from Grossenberg Implement for \$11,367. The other quote was from E. T. Sports for 15,101. This item was budgeted for 2020 Cemetery and Perpetual Care budget.

Public Works Director Dirk Hoffman stated the Sportsman will be used to clear snow from city sidewalks after a snow storm and the Mule will be used

**COUNCIL** A6

#### **Belle Fourche's Chris Riley Named Boys XC State Coach of the Year**



STATE COACH OF THE YEAR - Belle Fourche High School Activities Director Adam Nowowiejski (right) announces Chris Riley as being named South Dakota High School Cross Country Coach of the Year at a recent home basketball game. - John Skogberg photo

#### **SAWYER CLARKSON**

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Chris Riley was chosen as the 2019 SDHSAA Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year for his outstanding coaching, andwill receive his award this June

in Rapid City. He has been coaching High School Cross Country in Belle since 2015 and began coaching middle school just a year before that in 2014. In spring 2014 Riley approached Clay Anderson, volunteering to start a middle school cross country program. The first year was a trial to see if there was enough interest in Middle School cross country. After that year Mr. Anderson proposed to the Board to make MS cross country an official sanctioned program during the

first year, giving Chris Riley a now paid position as MS coach, which eventually led to High School head coach. Aside from coaching XC, Riley loves to run himself, he teaches 5th grade social studies, coaches track and girls middle school basketball, along with being outdoors and reading. Riley worked in Belle Fourche for 7 years, He started his first teaching job on August 23rd, 2013 in Belle Fourche. He grew up in Sioux Falls where he began running at Washington High School. He then went to Dakota State where he also ran for a year, before transferring to Mount Marty in Yankton, SD, where he continued to run. Riley states coaching has gotten easier as the team gets better,

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#### First Legislative Cracker Barrell

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Grap's Burger's and Brews was the site of Saturday's Legislative Cracker Barrel.

Representatives Tom Brunner, Nisland; Kurt Chaffee, Whitewood; and Senator Gary Cammack, Union Center of District 29 and Senator Ryan Maher of District 28 gave short presentations and answered audience questions for over two hours at the matinée gathering.

Representative Brunner explained this year's new "paperless" legislative bill writing process and it was noted that the end of this week's session there was a flood of legislation introduced.

Rep Chaffe remarked, "that over 126 bills were logged onto the system during the time he spent driving back from the Capitol to his home in rural Meade county.

The end of the week saw the introduction of 219 house bills and 148 senate bills. The legislators are now restricted to no more than three each, before

next Thursday's final day for introduction of individual bills and joint resolutions, but that restriction could still amount to 315 or more bills.

A healthy sized group of citizens that included the Mayor, three City Council members and two County Commissioners attended.

A member of the audience questioned "who could introduce" bills?"

Representative Brunner informed the gathering that only a member of the legislature could request the LRC (Legislative Research Council), the legislative staffing arm, that a bill be drafted.

Representative Tom Brunner who is Chairman of the House Agricultural Committee said the "Hemp" legalization bill was heard in committee this past week. The Governor's office had offered amendments to the legislation to be considered by the committee. Brunner suggested, "it is going to take some time to get everything put together in the State. Governor Noem's efforts in having a processing facility based in the state may be one of the first results we see from the passage of hemp legislation."

He added that not unlike other years, "Many of the questions and comments thus far seemed to have an underlying theme of "having needs greater that funds available to address those

"It will probably come down to next to the last day of the session (Feb. 12th) before funding amounts for teacher and state employees salaries is known. Increases will be based on the most current tax revenue information available.

Charlie Johnson, a Belle Fourche electrical contractor asked the legislators if an across the board tax increase, possibly 2% could be applied? If the increase applies equally to everyone it is fair and should be acceptable". "You can tell them you have one small business person in Belle Fourche that said he won't mind helping." remarked Johnson.

GRASS ROOTS DISCUSSIONS - In attendance for the Saturday Feb. 1st Chamber of Commerce hosted Cracker Barrel were (from far left) Sen. Ryan Maher, Sen. Gary Cammack, Rep. Tom Brunner, and Rep. Kirk Chaffee. The event was moderated by Chamber Director Mark Rambow (standing). - Beacon photo

#### **Stock Show 20X Team Champions**



ROPING A WIN - Congratulations to Bronc athlete Lan Fuhrer and Payton Pirrung, Hartford for winning the 20X High School Rodeo Team Roping competition in Rapid City on Sunday at the Black Hills Stock Show. - Courtesy Photo







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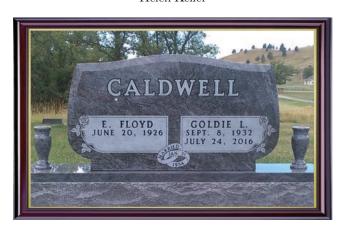
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#### **Obituaries**

#### Marie L. Reid 95

Marie L. Reid, age 95 of Nisland, South Dakota died January 29, 2020 at Serenity Valley Elder Care in Belle Fourche, SD. Marie was born on November 8, 1924 in Knokke, Belgium, the third child to Albert and Julia (DeClerc) Baes. As a young girl she worked with her family in their hotel/restaurant business they owned and operated on the North Sea.

During World War II the Nazi soldiers took her and her sister while teenagers to work in a factory in Germany. While there a building she was in was bombed and a brick wall fell on her. When the war was ending, she went back home to help her parents and at that time she met an American GI, Lester Reid. After several months of dating with Marie's mother as a chaperon Marie and Lester were married February 2, 1946 in Belgium and to this marriage two sons, Jim and Victor were born.

Soon after marriage she came to Butte County, SD to start her new life. Not knowing the language very well her sister-in-law, Izelle Berglund took Marie under her wing and helped her. Marie's home was always open to family and friends. Her sister, Lee and her two sons, Bruce and Rex DeMarcus stayed with them for a while. Besides raising their two sons, Marie and Lester raised 5 foster children.

Grateful for sharing her life are her sons, James

(Kathy) Reid and Victor (Kay) Reid all of Nisland; 5 foster children, Albert Ferdig of Arkansas, Roger Ferdig of Wyoming and his daughter, Sandy; Lois King of Wyoming, John (Corey) West of Iowa and their children, Dusty, Donna, Justin and Michelle and Bill West of Sioux Falls; 3 grandchildren, Scott (Kindra) Reid of Rapid City, Stephanie (Patrick) Votroubek of Spearfish and Bradley Reid of Rapid City; 3 great grandchildren, Jaxon Reid and Emajyn Denny both of Rapid City

and Emma Votroubek of Spearfish; many nieces, nephews and other great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lester of 71 years; brother, Francis Baes and her sister, Lee Funell.

Visitation was held Monday, February 3 at Kline Funeral Chapel in Belle Fourche.

A Vigil was held Tuesday, February 4 at St. Paul Catholic Church in Belle Fourche and Mass of Christian Burial Wednesday at 10:30 AM at the church with interment following at Pine Slope Cemetery in Belle Fourche.

The family suggests memorials to the Rapid City Diocese Seminarian Fund.

An online guest book is available at klinefuneral-chapel.com

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#### Pastor's Perspective

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Stephen Carson Belle Fourche Connection Church

#### Teacher, Which is the Great Commandment in the Law?

Matthews 22:34-39 reads, "But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord you God with all your heart and

Law?" And he said to him,
"You shall love the Lord your
God with all your heart and with
all your soul and with all your
mind. This is the great and first
commandment. And a second
is like it: You shall love your
neighbor as yourself."

On one side of the aisle were the religious leaders known as the Pharisees and Sadducees. On the other side was Jesus, the Son of God. The religious leaders labored under a system of extreme legalism. They thought that if they just did enough good and followed their religious rules closely enough then God would love them more and approve of them more. Simply put, they

thought that their obedience would make God love them more and that it would lead them to love God more.

Unfortunately, they had it all wrong! Obedience to God's commands is spurred on by loving God deeply. The first step in

this process is to believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior. The bible is clear that a person is saved by grace through faith in Jesus alone, not by his works (Ephesians 2:8-9). When a person confesses their sins to God and repents, believing exclusively that Jesus died on the cross to pay their sin debt, they will be saved and forgiven. There is no other way to salvation apart from Jesus (John 14:6; Acts 4:12).

Once a person has trusted in Christ, they need to begin growing in their relationship with Him. This happens through prayer, bible reading and study, having Christian friends (Proverbs 13:20), plugging in to a local church to be encouraged and to serve, among other things. As a person begins to grow and understand who God is and His love for them, they will begin to have a desire to obey Him. Jesus said it like this, "If you love me, you will keep My commandments" (John 14:15).

Obedience void of love produces legalism. That was the case of the religious leaders during Jesus' time on earth. Obedience to God's commands doesn't produce love for God; love for God produces obedience. I am afraid that many Christians today try to obey their way into loving God more, when the key to obedience is to grow in their love for God. Spend time with Him. Understand how good God is. Experience His great love (I John 3:1). And as you do, you will begin to love Him more deeply. And as you grow in your love, you will also begin to grow in your obedience.

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#### Romans 8:26-28 NIV

26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God. 28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who, or "that all things work together for good to those who love God, who"; or "that in all things God works together with those who love him to bring about what is good-with those who" have been called according to his purpose.

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#### World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer

will be observed in Belle Fourche on Friday, March 6, at lpm., presented at the UCC Congregational church at the corner of 8th Ave and Jackson St. Everyone is invited to Attend this non-denominational service, prepared this year by Christian women of Zimbabwe on the theme taken from John 5, "Rise! Take up your mat and walk." The Pickers will provide gospel music and accompaniment. Features of the service are prayer, hymns, Bible reading, lunch of ethnic foods of Zimbabwe, and fellowship hour. Women wishing to take part as readers, choir, ushers, should attend practices Fridays at 1pm at the UCC church.

If you have any questions please contact:

Mary Wendt, (605) 892-3115

Monument Health Home Plus to offer course in Understanding Your Grief

MHH+ Hospice will be hosting an 8-week Grief Education/Support Group on Saturdays, 9:15am – 10:45am starting on Sat. Feb. 8, 2020 thru Mar. 28, 2020. Meetings at BF Silver Lining Senior Center located at 828 Kingsbury St. in Belle.

Patti Helmer Aurand, Hospice Chaplain and Licensed Social Work Associate, will be facilitating the discussions using Dr. Alan Wolfelt's *Understanding Your Grief* materials. Participants will have the opportunity to grieve, to mourn, and to begin the healing process through exploring topics as: embracing the uniqueness of your grief; understanding the six needs of mourning; and reaching out for help. In addition to the weekly sessions, there will be individual opportunities for reflection through reading and journaling activities. There is no charge for the class or materials, and pre-registration is strongly encouraged due to the course

being limited to 8 participants. To register, or to learn more, please call 605-644-4415.







**Isabelle Evans** donned "the Bronc" costume and participated in the 02/02/2020 Flash Mob on State Street

#### **February Family Fun Day**

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center will hold a Family Fun Day on Sunday, February 16 at 2 p.m. entitled, "The History of Jewelry."

The event will consist of a kids' power point about the origins of jewelry, its cultural significance and some unusual stories – including that of Victorian Era "mourning jewelry."

There will also be a craft activity to make a paper bead necklace, a drawing for the book, "Friendship Bracelets 101" and a free take-home packet of puzzles and info about

jewelry.

The event is being sponsored by Love That Shoppe of Belle Fourche. Kids who attend will be able to put their name in a drawing for a piece of vintage jewelry from Love That Shoppe.

Admission to "The History of Jewelry" is \$2 per person or free with membership. The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche. Call 605-723-1200, visit it on Facebook or see its website at www. thetristatemuseum.com.

#### **Honk for Ernie Trudo**

Ernie Trudo, an individual who is supported by Northern Hills Training Center has been working in the community, at Liberty Tax Service of Spearfish, for 11 years.

NHTC was

NHTC was established in 1976 when a gro

1976 when a group of people had an objective to provide supported living and working to adults with developmental disabilities. The center is one of nineteen Community Support Providers offering services to over 2000 people, including vocational, group homes and



apartments and nursing care.
Treasures Thrift Store employs individuals who are supported by NHTC who work in all facets of the business. The thrift store is a non-profit business and

would appreciate your donation of clothing, books, home décor and all other household items. The store partners with Behavior Management Systems, the Artemis House and Good Shepherd Clinic. There hours are M-F 9-5 and Saturday 9:30-3.

#### 2020 Ducks Unlimited Banquet

The 2020 Tri-State Banquet will be held in Belle Fourche on Friday February 7 at the Community Hall. Doors open

at 5 pm for cocktails, games and raffles. Dinner will be catered by the Branding Iron with both a live and silent auction following.

DU is proud of the fact that 83% of all funds raised at these local events goes directly back into habitat protection and restoration. It is also proud to partner with conservation organizations, both public and private across the continent to foster habitat protection.

oster habitat protection.

Ducks Unlimited got its start

in 1937 during the Dust Bowl when North America's droughtplagued waterfowl populations had plunged to unprecedented

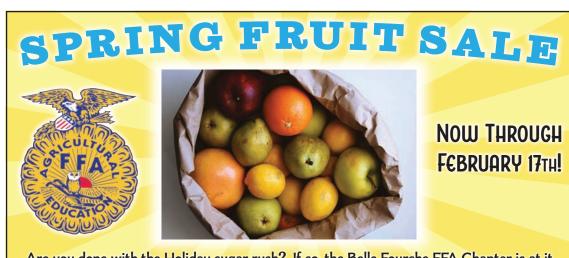
lows. Determined not to sit idly by as the continent's waterfowl dwindled beyond recovery, a small group of sportsmen joined together to form an organization that became known

that became know as Ducks Unlimited.

Its mission: To conserve, restore and manage wetlands and associated habitats for North America's waterfowl. These habitats also benefit other wildlife and people. Thanks to more than 80 years of abiding by that single mission, Ducks Unlim-







Are you done with the Holiday sugar rush? If so, the Belle Fourche FFA Chapter is at it again with their SPRING FRUIT SALE. Sales will run through February 17th! If you would like to get some tasty FRESH Fruit please contact any BF FFA Member! They are all over with 65 members in the Chapter all you have to do is ask someone! If you are unable to reach a member contact the Advisor Mr. Bishop @ 605 723-3350.



#### Chamber Report -

From Chamber Director Mark Rambow

#### **Exciting Times**



There has been much excitement in the air lately. The Chamber has been working with a variety of other groups and individuals to bring HGTV to Belle Fourche.

The show Home Town Takeover

is looking for a community to adopt and assist in updating and preserving businesses and homes. Several local individuals and business owners have submitted applications to be considered for the program, and we are hopeful that Belle Fourche will receive consideration. What a great opportunity that is to bring Belle

Fourche to a national audience.

A date has been set for our Annual Banquet.

It will be held on Thursday, March 12, at the

Community Hall. Ticket sales are just under-

way, and we welcome those wishing to attend to go to our website and purchase their tickets. Or you can call the chamber for more informa-

We have also restarted our Early Bird Coffees on Tuesday mornings. Swing by sometime between 7:30 and 9 am for a cup of coffee and some great conversation.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Our Legislative Crackerbarrel was
a great success. Our thanks to the legislators,
local officials and residents who came out to
share some thoughts, ideas and information.
What a great example of democracy in action!
Our next luncheon will be on Wednesday,
Belle
February 12, at noon, at The Stadium Sports
Grill. Our speaker will be Becky Barry of New
York Life, who will be discussing Long-Term
the
Care Planning, and some of the related issues
and concerns. Please come by.

ited is now the world's largest and most effective private, nonprofit, waterfowl and wetlands conservation organization.

DU is able to deliver its work through a series of partner-ships with private individuals, landowners, agencies, scientific communities and other entities. Waterfowl are not the only beneficiaries of DU's habitat work. Wetlands improve the overall health of our environment by recharging and purifying groundwater, moderating floods and reducing soil erosion.

Wetlands are North America's most productive ecosystems, providing critical habitat to more than 900 wildlife species and invaluable recreation opportunities for people to enjoy. Unfortunately, the United States alone has lost more than half of its original wetlands, and tens of thousands of wetland acres continue to be lost—at an accelerating rate—each year.

Since 1937, DU has preserved over 14 million acres across North America, working in all 50 states, and in both Mexico and Canada. In South Dakota alone in 2019, DU and its partners delivered more than 62,000 acres conserved, and spent more than \$14 million doing so. That's in one year in just South Dakota! Much of the money DU receives comes from its local fundraisers.

For tickets or for more information on Friday's DU banquet, call Ben Dempsey at 406-670-6936 or Steve Shuck at 303-981-3944. Tickets can also be purchased at www.ducks. org/south-dakota/events/60872/



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#### **Center of the Nation Concert Association PRESENTS**

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Terry Barber Sunday, February 16, 2020 - 3:00 PM

With an extraordinarily broad vocal range and natural fluency in many musical styles, countertenor Terry Barber has been featured on some of the world's most storied stages, and has worked with many of the music industry's leading figures including Chanticleer, Madonna, Jewel and Steve Smith to name a few. His program, "Around the World in 80 Minutes", features unique arrangements by Emmy and Grammy-winning composers of some of the world's favorite melodies both classical and popular.

#### **Guy Davis FFA Historian**

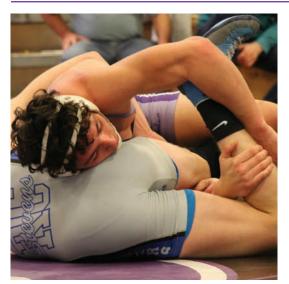
#### **SERENA DAVIS** FFA Reporter

Next on the list of Officers is our Historian Robert Guy Davis, a senior and 3rd year FFA member. What would like to do after high school? "I am going to Mitchell Technical Institute and going to pursue a degree in animal science." What made you want to join FFA "I wanted to expand my horizons on agriculture." What contests have you done or want to do in the future? "I have done Natural resources, Range Judging and Horse Judging, I would like to try Meat Judging." What impact would

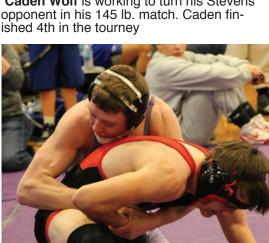
you like to have on the FFA chapter? "I would like to help develop growth and success in the chapter." Are you involved in anything else besides FFA? "Yes, I am in rodeo, trap, National Honor Society, FCA, Student Council." How has FFA affected you as a person? "it has expanded my knowledge on Agriculture, it has helped to shape my character with leadership skills."



**Guy Davis** 



Caden Wolf is working to turn his Stevens opponent in his 145 lb. match. Caden finished 4th in the tourney



Caden Wolf is working to turn his Stevens opponent in his 145 lb. match. Caden fin-



Cade Bickerdyke is finishing the pin on his Sturgis opponent in the 160 lb. 5th Place match



**Thomas McCoy** was unable to completed his 5th place match due to injury. He is shown here in his semifinal match.



Caden Wolf is working to turn his Stevens opponent in his 145 lb. match. Caden finished 4th in the tourney



Chase Bickerdyke is attempting to roll his opponent to his back in his 182 lb. match. Chase finished 4th in the class.





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#### **Bronc Wrestlers Finish 5th** at Home Invite



Michael Streeter's 2nd place finish at 285 was the highest placing member of the Bronc squad in this past weekend's home Invitational Wrestling Photos Courtesy Audrey Bicker-

Broncs Wrestlers ended the two day Belle Fourche Invitational Tournament in 5th place. The were 4th at the end of the first day's action and were nosed into 5th by one point by Custer.

The Broncs had eight medal round finishers for the Tourney. Tom McCoy was 6th at 126. The consolation match was stopped when McCoy suffered an injury in the consolation semis. Hunter Quenzer was 8th at 132; Caden Wolfe 4th at 145; Cade Bickerdyke 5th at

160; Chase Bickerdyke 4th at 182; Sean Wahfeldt 8th at 195; Aiken Crowley 8th at 220; and Aiken Crowley 8th; and Michael Streeter 2nd at 285.

Elijah Braning 106; Colton Shelley 112; Andy Tonsager 138; Gunner Geib, 152; and Levi Melanson, 170 all won consolation matches and added to the Broncs team score.

The next action for the Broncs will be February at the Hill City Invite; then a home dual with Douglas on Feb. 13th.



Sean Wahfeldt is clearly in control of his opponent. Wahfeldt earned the 8th Place medal at 195 pounds.







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#### Lady Broncs Edge L-D 43-42

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The Lady Broncs improved to 10-3 on the year with a 43-42 home win over Lead-Deadwood on January 28.

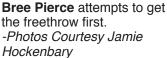
Bella Jensen led the team with 13 points followed by Harley Fisher with 10; Kaylin Garza 8; Chloe Crago 4; Tia Williamson and Dylan Stedillie 3 apiece and Hayley Wilber 2.



(Above) Bella Jensen breezes past Lead Deadwood. (Top Right)

Harley Fischer works her way to the basket. (Right)

the freethrow first.









Colby Nowowiejski drives down the



Kelby Olson gets the ball out to a fellow Belle Fourche player against heavy pressure from Harding County

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Aiden Giffin passing the ball out. -Photos Courtesy Jamie Hockenbary

Anthony Budmayr making a layup.



Cole Hockenbary taking a -Photos Courtesy Jamie

Hockenbary

#### The Belle Fourche Broncs boys' basketball squads battled the Lead Deadwood Golddiggers and Harding County Ranchers in last week's games. On Tuesday, the Broncs tangled with Black Hills Conference foe Lead Deadwood at home and dominated the game by blitzing the Diggers by a final score of 83-32. The first quarter was competitive as it ended with the Broncs leading 16-10, but the Broncs got hot in the second

quarter outscoring their opponents 23-9 to go to the locker room with a 39-18 cushion. L-D could just not find the rim and the Belle defense smothered the Diggers coming up with 24 steals in the game with senior Kelby Olson leading the way with 5 takeaways. Senior Colby Nowowiejski helped fuel the explosive Bronc offense dishing out a team high 9 assists. Olson paced the Broncs in scoring with 24 points. Sophomore Aiden Giffin netted 18 and junior Lan Fuhrer chipped in with 10

including 2 three pointers. The

Broncs netted 45 percent field goal shooting and 69 percent at the charity stripe. The Broncs had 41 rebounds in the game with Olson, Nowowiejski and senior Keaton Benson with six

caroms each. Broncs coach Clay Porttoff commented on the game: "I thought our guys hustled and played with intensity. Kelby and Aiden both played very well." With the victory the Broncs are now 9-5 on the season. Lead Deadwood dropped to 4-10. Belle Fourche headed to Harding County on Thursday to take on the always tough Ranchers in Buffalo. The Ranchers came out on top of a hard fought 82-79

victory over the Broncs. The Ranchers would lead at all quarter stops as they nudged out to a 14-11 lead after one stanza and led 38-31 at the halftime break. The second half was even more explosive than the first with the Broncs outscoring the hosts 48-44. Broncs senior Kelby Olson and Ranchers senior Zack Anders would be a big part of the fireworks as each put up game high 32 points for their teams on the night. Olson was

not alone as teammates Brextin

**Broncs Boys Battle L-D, Harding County** Garza and Tate Larson added 13 each and sophomore Aiden Giffin dropped in 11 points. The Broncs had more field goals than the Ranchers including 10 three pointers with Olson netting four, and Larson and Garza three each. The tale of the game was at the free throw line as the Broncs were only 13-27 for 48 percent while the Ranchers were a more efficient 23-31 for 74

> "We got a little behind, but we put on a great charge at the end and had a chance to win it. I'm really proud of the way our guys hung in there and didn't give up. ", said Porttoff.

> The Broncs drop to 9-6 on the year and Harding County improves to 9-3. The Broncs travel to Box Elder on Friday February the 7th to take on Douglas and are home on Tuesday the 11th hosting Rapid City Christian. Both contests are key for the Brones with ramifications for playoff seeding! Belle is currently seeded 2rd close behind are Christian and Custer with the top four teams in the region heading to the first round of the playoffs.





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#### From A1 MAHER

Regents commissioned a study on this very topic," remarked Maher. *The Master Plan for Higher Education* was compiled by Dr. Richard Gibb, who at the time was commissioner of higher education.

The introduction read: "This a Master Plan for Public Higher Education in the state of South Dakota. It is not a plan designed exclusively for the students, faculty, administrators, nor any other specific group. Instead it is a plan for the people of South Dakota." The advent of technology had not yet begun and in its conclusions stated, we don't want to get thirty years down the road without acting. In 1996 they will say, Why

didn't they do something 30 years ago?

"Here we are almost 30 years after that date and still have not addressed some of the ways we can achieve budget savings in higher education.

Since the Gibb Report was published what was once Southern State Teachers College in Springfield was closed. (1984); Dakota State in Madison reinvented itself and has become a national leader in computer education and cyber security.

"We as a state must open the doors to new ideas and efficiencies in higher education to continue to afford the best of educational opportunities for the citizens of our state. I am in hope this bill will nourish that discussion," concluded Maher.

#### From A1 COUNCIL

The Gator will be used for maintenance at the Cemetery.

In other council news, the City of Belle Fourche is changing the way it pays its bills, with the recommendation to begin using a First Interstate Accounts Payable Purchase Card Program. The limit for the card is \$400,000.

"We've had to change some things out, because it's laughable since a lot of information can be gleaned from a check. Also our bank charges 15 cents per check every time they sent through a check. Lastly, we get cash back for every purchase we put on the card," said City Finance Officer Breanna Schaefer.

She added that her office looked for various ways they could use the card for various businesses, with the potential for \$20,000 back each year.

Also during it's regular meeting January 20th the Belle Fourche City Council passed a resolution setting the time and place for the Block 16, Alley Improvement Project No. 2016-24

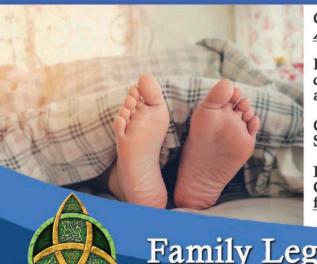
The hearing will determine how to divide assessments rolls into installments as well as setting the interest rate for the assessments.

The resolution reads this way: "Be it resolved that the Block Alley Improvement project 2016-24 be divided into 10 equal annual installments the rate of interest of deferred installments shall be 10%, and that the whole of such assessment or any installment thereof may be paid at any time and that all installments paid prior to their respective dues dates shall be deemed paid in inverse order of their due dates.

Therefore, be it resolved that a public hearing shall be held upon the assessment roll on February 18,2020 at 8:00 o'clock PM in the Belle Fourche Common Council Chambers.

The resolution passed the council unanimously.

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**South Dakota's** Livestock quiz bowl team included Payton Tobin, Danika and Matea Gordon, and Ella and Hadley Stefvater. *Photo Courtesy Butte County Extension newsletter* 

## Butte-Lawrence Western Roundup Livestock Judging Participants

We would like to congratulate Danika and Matea Gordon who represented South Dakota on the 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl Team at the Western Roundup event in Denver in early January. Their team, which included 3 other South Dakota 4-H youth, placed third out of 10 teams at the event. Danika and Matea quali ed for this trip through the state Livestock Skillathon Contest held in Brookings last September.

#### **Butte Commissioners Approve GIS Program**

#### COLLEEN BRUNNER

news@bellefourchebeacon.com BELLE FOURCHE – To the tune of more than \$80,000 over a three-year period, the Commissioners, in a unanimous vote, approved the Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping for Butte County.

At the second meeting in January on the 19th, Director of Equalization for the county, Lisa Nelson, has presented at several previous meetings on the system, along with Register of Deeds Paula Walker. Walker has already done investigative work to determine the extent of costs to the county in her area where she will be scanning all of the county's 11,000 plots of land, according to Nelson.

The commission approved the rent of a scanner that will handle the large format documents that Walker will have to scan to get going on the first phase of the project which will ultimately result in online availability to the county administration, realtors and others who have a need for this. It will include maps, data, analysis features and apps that will be focused on user experiences.

"We don't have much choice," said Nelson, when answering question about the process. There are only a few counties that do not have the option, either already in place or in the works.

GIS examples of use include points of interest, such as landmarks, the ability to depict districts, census information, streets and addresses, and boundaries.

Phase one includes sorting plats, with this portion of the project taking approximately two weeks to several months. Once all the documents are scanned, the company that the county will be working with, District III, will compile and start to organize in preparation for online presentation.

Phase two takes an estimated three-plus months, to create a base layer with GPS (Global Positioning System) information. Phase three will create the GIS parcel layer, the main part of the project. With this phase the assessor's database will be coordinated as the layers are digitized. Phase four will be a time-frame where both the company and the county will

get their questions answered and information can be hammered out.

Once the website is created, the county commission and the county administrative offices will determine what information will be disseminated. This can include soil surveys, zoning layers, school districts, fire and commissioner boundaries.

Maps will be provided to the Register of Deeds as a thank you from District III, to the county.

Since the project has already begun with the approval by the county and the beginning of the document scanning, the project will be done within an expected time-frame.

The payments will be parceled out over a potential three-year period. According to the company providing the GIS serving benefits include improved decision making, an increase in efficiency, improved communication between organizations, easy record-keeping, especially of geographical changes, and a way to plan a course of action.

The county will be updated monthly on the progress of the system.

#### From A1 **RILEY**

and he provides every runner with the opportunities to be competitive, and he also tries to build a team that benefits itself by pushing each other to be their best. Riley has run countless local 5K's and trail races along with 20 marathons, six of those being the Deadwood Marathon. He recently got back from running the Disney Marathon in Florida. Riley has enjoyed running ultramarathons, some of these include one 100 mile race, two 50 mile races and three 50k (31mi) races. He says his favorite race was the Black Hills 100. Riley hopes to see more kids join cross country in the future, he also wants to help build a more competitive team. He hopes to one day see both the boys and girls team get on the podium and place at state, and possibly

contend for the combined team award. Riley's favorite part of the sport is coaching with assistant coach Jermey Elsome to help the runners improve. He especially enjoys watching younger middle school runners progress throughout the years and achieve their full potential. I had a chance to meet up with some of Riley's athletes and their parents to speak about what they thought of Riley and here is what they had to say, "Riley is a great coach and is very deserving of the award" stated Wyatt Keagan, Allison Hayes said "Mr. Riley provides incentives to keep improving day by day. He inspires us to get involved in the running community outside of just the team. He also is so hardworking. During the season he will offer two practices a day, and he will run with the kids every time." From a parents perspective,

Sarah Hayes said "I think Mr. Riley can see what a runner/student is capable of even before they know it, and he somehow manages to pull the talent out of them even though they don't believe it themselves." Brittany Clarkson stated, "He is the best, and has so many kids falling in love with running at a young age, which is hard to do, it's a tough sport to fall in love with, but he does it!' Riley is excited for this year's track season because of the great weather and early season confidence and optimism the season will bring. He hopes to get some good relay teams together for the track season and watch the distance team work hard this season. For next years cross country season he hopes to see the team pick up where they left off with a great boys team and a great competitive girls team.









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#### **Anything Left in the Barrel?**

**Opinion of the Beacon:** 

The Beacon has accentuated the positive things about our community, its businesses, and its people.

We know there are serious issues in our society that need to be addressed.

Drug use (primarily Meth) and mental health issues are an ever increasing problem and an increasing drain on our society.

A recent news story was titled, "Mental health, meth numbers overwhelming Butte Co. sheriff".

Butte County in that headline could have been replaced with the name of any town or county in the state and probably the nation. The percentages and amounts would vary from place to place depending on size, but it is an epidemic in our state and the rest of this country and the costs are continuing to put unfordable strain on personnel and governmental budgets.

We attended the local legislative cracker barrel Saturday and were informed the governor had allocated a \$2 million sum in her budget to go to Meth and Mental health.

To a person the legislators admitted it doesn't begin to approach the level of need, but is all that can be done based on available revenues.

No one in any walk of life wants or wishes for additional taxation of any kind, but I have maintained in my adult life if there is an honest, justifiable, and legitimate need, people in our society are willing within reason to have government take steps to spend the money to address the need. Education; police and fire; snow removal; and fixing pot holes are just a few of the spending priorities that few disagree with.

I don't think you can find a person, place, or opinion that isn't in agreement that our nation is under siege with a Meth and mental health epidemic.

It needs to be addressed and addressed now. If one of our government entities needs a new building or the Dakota Dome a new roof, or the Round Up Grounds a new grandstand the plan to "build for the future" is put in place and we move forward. If it is a necessity we 'get it done'.

After the Cracker barrel ended I suggested to Senator Maher something to ponder. Sen. Maher is Vice-Chair of the Appropriations Committee.

Asked him to find out the dollar amount sales tax on advertising can raise annually (advertising is currently exempt from sales tax). Of that amount what would 50%

of the total be able pay off in bonded indebtedness?

Dedicate the proceeds to meth and mental health needs. Can get back to the idea of building/operating a state of the art West River

> program and facility in Belle (northern hills) as well as development of state property and a program in southern hills. Use Remaining 50% of advertising tax revenues to fund ongoing operational cost obli-

gations. The investment now should help free up other state and local revenue obligations affected by meth and mental health issues far into the future. At least more than stop the current escalation.

If nothing else it may suggest a solution where no one else has offered one!

We are only one newspaper, but I wouldn't have any opposition to the sales tax on advertising. In other words contribute our fair share of the cost of fighting the battle our society is in the midst of.

It might be likened to rationing during WWII as a program we all must make sacrifices in order to win.

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By: Doug Cole

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The US small business administration recommends that businesses spend 8% of their gross income on advertising.

If you are in agreement as a business, consumer, or citizen that you want to help fight the war on meth let your state representatives know.

Tell them your in favor of allowing a sales tax on advertising if the money can be expended to seriously address the meth and mental health problems that have developed in our society.

More Things You May Not Know:

Marilyn Monroe had six toes.

No word in the English language rhymes with month.

Nutmeg is extremely poisonous if injected intravenously.

Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.

Right-handed people live, on average, nine years longer than left-handed people do.

Shakespeare invented the words 'assassination' and 'bump'.

Starfish haven't got brains.

The ant always falls over on its right side when intoxicated.

The catfish has over 27,000 taste buds.

Medical terminology: Artery -- Study of paintings Bacteria -- Back door of cafe-

Barium -- What doctors do when treatment fails

Caesarean section -- District in Rome Cat scan -- Searching for kitty Cauterize -- Made eye contact

with her Colic -- Sheep dog Coma -- A punctuation mark Congenital -- Friendly D&C -- Where Washington is Diarrhea -- Journal of daily

Dilate -- To live long Enema -- Not a friend Fester -- Ouicker

events

Bowel -- Letter like A.E.I.O.U

Secretion -- Hiding anything Seizure -- Roman emperor Serology -- Study of knighthood

Rheumatic -- Amorous

Scar -- Rolled tobacco leaf

Fibula -- A small lie

Grippe -- Suitcase

known

teepee

fainted

people

upholstery

Hangnail -- Coat hook

Morbid -- Higher offer

Node -- Was aware of

Pelvis -- Cousin of Elvis

Protein -- Favoring young

G.I. Series -- Soldiers' ball

Intense pain -- Torture in a

Impotent -- Distinguished, well

Labor pain -- Got hurt at work

Medical staff -- Doctor's cane

Nitrate -- Cheaper than day rate

Outpatient -- Person who had

Post operative -- Letter carrier

Rectum -- It almost killed him

Recovery room -- Place to do

Tablet -- Small table Terminal illness -- Sickness at airport

Tibia -- Country in North Africa Tumor -- An extra pair Urine -- Opposite of you're out Varicose -- Located nearby Vein -- Conceited

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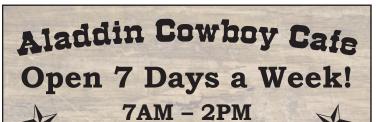
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| Krise, Jim, Terry MT                       | 68 | Blk Str    | 609 \$171.00    |  |
| Krise, Jim, Terry MT                       | 84 | Blk Str    | 533 \$187.25    |  |
| Krise, Jim, Terry MT                       | 17 | Blk Str    | 437 \$189.00    |  |
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| Schell Long Pine Ranch, Capitol MT         | 79 | Hfr        | 504 \$172.50    |  |
| Barnaud, Francois, Nisland SD              | 9  | Blk Hfr    | 487 \$157.00    |  |
| Fiedor, Jack M & Connie Kay, Ranchester WY | 3  | Blk Str    | 743 \$133.00    |  |
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| Hutchinson, Drew & Judy, Aladdin WY        | 42 | B/R Str    | 510 \$175.50    |  |
| Hutchinson, Drew & Judy, Aladdin WY        |    |            |                 |  |
| Klein, Kevin, Custer SD                    | 2  | Blk Str    | 562 \$163.00    |  |
| Kokesh, Rich or Sherry, Belle Fourche SD   | 5  | Blk Str    | 542 \$171.00    |  |
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| Lambert, Bill & Will, Osage WY             | 90 | B/R Hfr    | 463 \$158.50    |  |
| Lambert, Bill & Will, Osage WY             | 14 | B/R Hfr    | 409 \$167.00    |  |
| Lehrkamp, Mike, Caputa SD                  | 19 | Blk Str    | \$143.00        |  |
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| Lehrkamp, Mike, Caputa SD                  | 19 | Blk Hfr    | 642 \$146.00    |  |
| Lehrkamp, Mike, Caputa SD                  | 4  | Blk Hfr    | 532 \$151.00    |  |
| Malenovsky, Mike, Ekalaka MT               | 33 | Red Str    | \$157.00        |  |
| Malenovsky, Mike, Ekalaka MT               | 9  | Red Str    | 542 \$161.00    |  |
| Swan, Tom or Karen, Newell SD              | 36 | Blk Hfr    | 518 \$168.00    |  |
| Uecker, Ron, Belle Fourche SD              | 9  | Red Str    | 493 \$168.00    |  |
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#### 2020 CATTLE SALES

February 7th - No Sale - Black Hills Stock Show February 14th - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle February 21st - Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle February 28th - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle March 6th – Bred Cow Special – Selling All Classes Of Cattle March 13th - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR BUSINESS!

Friday - February 7, 2020 No Sale Enjoy the Black Hills Stock Show!

Friday - February 14, 2020 **Feeder Cattle Special** 9:00 am - Weigh Ups

12:00 Noon – Bred Cows Followed By Calves Bt-Branding Time Shots Pc-Precondition Shots Df-Drug Free Bv-Bangs Vaccinated Ni- No Implants

MT - 170 Blk Strs - 700-800# - Bt, Pc, Poured

MT - 160 Blk Strs - 725-850# - Bt, Pc

MT - 150 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 500-600# - Bt, Pc SD - 150 Blk & Red Strs & Hfrs - 550-675# Bt Pc

WY - 100 Red Strs & Hfrs - 550+650# Bt Pc SD - 100 Blk Hfrs - 600-650# Bt Pc Bv

MT - 75 Mostly Blk Hfrs - 575-625# - Bt, Pc, Poured, Bv

**SD -** 90 Blk & Char Strs & Hfrs - 600-750# Bt Pc **SD -** 90 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 5675-675# Bt Pc

MT - 75 Blk & Bldy Hfrs - 650-700# - Bt, Pc, Bv, Poured

**SD -** 70 Blk & Herford Strs - 750-800#

WY - 70 Herf & F-1 Strs & Hfrs - 525-625# - Bt, Pc, Poured - No Bldy Hfrs Kept

WY - 45 Blk Bldy F-1 Hfrs - 650-700# - Bt, Pc, Poured, Bv - No Bldy Hfrs Kept SD - 40 Blk Hfrs - 575-625# - Bt, Pc, Bv

WY - 26 Blk Bldy F-1 Hfrs -550-600# - Bt, Pc, Poured, Bv - No Hfrs Kept

WY - 20 Blk Bldy F-1 Hfrs - 575-625# - Bt, Pc, Poured, Bv, Gentle - No Bldy Hfrs Kept

SD - 20 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 500-550# - Bt, Pc, Ni

WY - 20 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 500-600# Bt Pc

SD - 19 Blk Bldy F-1 Hfrs - 700-750# - Bt, Pc, Replacement Quality WY - 15 Blk Bldy F-1 Hfrs- 650-700# - Bt, Pc, Bv, Poured, Replacement Quality

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Sheep Report - January 30, 2020

Smaller Run Today Feeder Lambs Sold A Little Lower Than Last Week Slaugher Ewes Sold \$3 Higher On The Fats & Mediums Thin Ewes Sold \$5 Lower

No Sale February 6th - Enjoy The Black Hills Stock Show Next Sale - February 13th - Feeder Lamb Special Thank You For Your Business!

#### Feeder Lambs

| Mceuen, Levi, Broadus MT          | . 12 | . Lambs | . 75 \$221.00 |
|-----------------------------------|------|---------|---------------|
| Mceuen, Levi, Broadus MT          |      |         |               |
| Mceuen, Levi, Broadus MT          |      |         |               |
| White, Howard, Upton WY           | . 30 | .Lambs  | . 92 \$202.50 |
| Jensen, Andrew, Newell SD         |      |         |               |
| Jensen, Andrew, Newell SD         |      |         |               |
| Reichert, Duane, New Underwood SD |      |         |               |
| Williams, Charlie, Alzada MT      |      |         |               |
| Slaughter Ewes                    |      |         |               |
| Benton, Jackie, Buffalo WY        | . 4  | . Ewe   | . 212 \$74.00 |
| Brown, Steve or Kathy, Sturgis SD | . 8  | . Ewe   | . 165 \$75.00 |
| Brown, Steve or Kathy, Sturgis SD |      |         |               |
| Clear Bent Bars Inc. Leiten WY    |      |         |               |
| Ginsbach, Todd, Newell SD         | . 10 | . Ewe   | . 132 \$60.00 |
| Horman, Joff Rella Fourcha SD     | 5    | Ewα     | 180 \$75.00   |

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#### Wyoming's J.R. Vezain Gets Surprise **Check While Continuing Rehab**

COLO. SPRINGS. Co. - Veteran bareback rider J.R. Vezain continues to progress after suffering a broken back while competing at the Pasadena (Texas) Livestock Show & Rodeo when he was riding Frontier Rodeo Company's Brazos Bash, Sept. 22, 2018.

The injury required surgery and has left him with mobility issues from the waist down.

Last week, Vezain found out he will be receiving a \$3,700 check from Wyoming's Unclaimed Property Division of the State Treasurer's Office.

"It was good news," said Vezain, 27. "It (the check) was from my Wyoming sponsorship at the end of 2018.

That's when the wreck and stuff went on. I don't know if the check got sent home and we never got it or what the deal was. My mom (Shilo) got a letter for me a month ago and told me I should check it out. It was from Unclaimed Property for \$3,700. I didn't know if it was a scam or what. It ended up being legit. It ended up being an old sponsorship check. It was a huge blessing and will help with some continued rehab for sure."

Vezain, a six-time qualifier for the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo (2012-14 and

2016-18), rehabbed in Houston for a month and then another six months in Sandy, Utah. He returned home to Melstone, Mont., April 5, 2019. Vezain's wife, Shelby, gave birth to their first child, a boy, Ryatt, May 17.

"I went down in the first part of September back to Utah and got re-tested, and I jumped a level on every test," Vezain said. "We're still progressing. I'm not where I want to be yet. I have a long way to go. Right now, I can walk on a walking machine, but they still have to move my legs. I still can't bear my own weight all the way yet.

"I'm gearing up to go down to Panama City, Panama, for some stem cell treatment in the next couple of weeks. I also got involved in a trial situation down in Houston to try an exoskeleton for three weeks two different times, and I'm going to do that in the first part of March."

Vezain said his plight has given him a new perspective.

"We have had a ton of growth spiritually, mentally and emotionally," Vezain said. "It has been a huge learning curve not only the obvious life in a wheelchair, but even just patience. I have grown spiritually how to have patience in the Lord and

really dig back into the word and put my trust where trust needs to be.

'We have grown as a family and I have a rockstar wife who could've left me a long time ago, and she will not give up on me. That makes me want to keep striving to be better. We've had tons of family and friends and even people we didn't know supporting us financially, emotionally. We had people step up and help us get our house built. We have people helping Shelby out around the house doing jobs I can't do. Days are frustrating, but at the end of the day we have learned to be thankful for the little things and not taking anything for grant-

Vezain knows he doesn't have time to make excuses.

"Even in my situation, you can always find something to be thankful for, and be careful what you complain about because there are people out there who are wishing they had what you had," he said. "Every day you wake up you have a choice, you can sit and complain about the situation you're in or dust yourself off, pick yourself up and keep rolling, and that's what I try to do every single

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|--|--|--|
| Bareback:                             |                 |            |  |  |  |
| 14. Jamie Howlett                     | Rapid City, SD  | \$6,687.77 |  |  |  |
| 30. Shane O'Connell                   | Rapid City, SD  | \$2,777.20 |  |  |  |
| Steer Wrestling:                      |                 |            |  |  |  |
| 6. Jace Melvin                        | Ft. Pierre, SD  | \$6,688.86 |  |  |  |
| 15. Eli Lord                          | Sturgis, SD     | \$4,713.09 |  |  |  |
| 35. Carson Good                       | Long Valley, SD | \$2,878.14 |  |  |  |
| Team Roping Headers                   | s:              |            |  |  |  |
| 15. Jr. Dees                          | Aurora, SD      | \$5,166.90 |  |  |  |
| 49. Braden Pirrung                    | Hartford, SD    | \$1,914.40 |  |  |  |
| Team Roping Heelers                   | :               |            |  |  |  |
| 5. Levi Lord                          | Sturgis, SD     | \$7,241.36 |  |  |  |
| Saddle Bronc:                         |                 |            |  |  |  |
|                                       |                 |            |  |  |  |

Faith, SD 5. Cole Elshere \$12,869.92 8. Taygen Schuelke Newell, SD \$10,116.79 14. Lane Schuelke Newell, SD \$7,188.95 Rapid City, SD 18. Jade Blackwell \$6,110.43 27. Chuck Schmidt Keldron, SD \$5,026.96 32. Ty Manke Rapid City, SD \$3,727.42 50. Jesse Bail Camp Crook SD \$1,903.21

Eagle Butte, SD

\$11,075.49 3. Jess Tierney Hermosa, SD 21. Ora Taton Rapid City, SD \$3,905.72 30. J.R. Olson Whitewood, SD \$2,734.00 **Barrel Racing:** Oelrichs, SD \$4,406.61 27. Lisa Lockhart

57. Amanda Harris Spearfish, SD \$1,987.17 Buffalo, SD \$1,212.36 82. Jessica Routier **Bull Riding:** 24. Wyatt Gregg Belle Fourche, SD \$6,733.41

Proposed Elk Season Changes

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission proposed minor changes to the number of elk licenses available in the 2020 and 2021 hunting seasons. The intent of the changes is to allow an opportunity for adjustments to be made at finalization based on the results of the upcoming Black Hills aerial survey to maximize hunter opportunity and meet population objectives identified in the elk management plan.

The proposal would allow for a total of 430 "any elk" and 715 "antlerless elk" licenses for the Black Hills firearm season and 147 "any elk" and 85 "antlerless elk" for the Black Hills archery season for the 2020 and 2021 seasons.

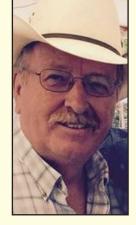
The commission proposed reducing the number of Custer State Park "any elk" licenses from 8 to 7, and reduce the number of Custer State Park Early Archery "any elk" licenses from 3 to 2. There will be no Custer State Park "antlerless" elk licenses available for 2020 or 2021.

Along with the Custer State Park season recommendations, the commission proposed to remove the mandatory chronic wasting disease (CWD) sample submission of deer or elk harvested in the park. Hunters would still be able to voluntarily submit their animals for

The commission also proposed 78 "any elk" and 75 'antlerless elk" licenses for the Prairie Elk hunting season.

#### 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.

3. Shorty Garrett

Steer Roping:

I was born in North Dakota, but have lived most of my life in South Dakota. There have been stops for school and jobs in Minnesota and Nebraska but I'm essentially a South Dakotan. However when I first started to announce Single Steer Roping exclusively and gave up rodeo announcing in general I centered in Wyoming so I could announce their Circuit Finals each year. My Uncle Bill, my cousin Frank and many other friends live in Wyoming, so it became like a 2nd home. So when Steve Logan sent me this piece it knocked me over. I don't believe you have to live in Wyoming to feel the power of this story:

Why Wyoming by Steve Logan



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Why Wyoming? Indeed you might ask. Why would you live where the tempera ture can change 40 degrees in 2 hours?

Where the next town is 100 miles away? Where the wind might blow occasionally? Where it snows horizontally a couple of times a year?

Well, here are some things to try and then ask me again.

Take a ride over the Snowy Range on a fall day, then continue past Encampment, through Savory, and on into Baggs. Sit in a tepee near Moose on a clear summer morning, while having breakfast as the sun rises and first hits the Tetons.

Take a motorcycle ride through the Sunlight Basin, then watch as Old Faithful blows its top.

Sit at the base of Devil's Tower and wonder at the myths and legends that it has

Paddle a canoe to the Upper Green River Lake and contemplate the reflection of

Square Top in the pristine waters. On a cold clear winter evening, watch the setting sun turn the snow on the Wind River

Mountains a rosy pink. Walk though an aspen grove on a fall day as the leaves start to blanket the ground, and have a six or seven point bull elk bugle

about 100 yards in front of you. Fly fish on the North Platte, the upper Green River, or the mighty Snake.

Tie into a 35-pound lake trout on Flaming

Watch the sunset over Firehole basin and wonder at the colors that cannot be captured by film or on canvas.

Listen to the drumming of a sage grouse as it struts on a sage scented spring morning. Enjoy the view from atop Aspen Mountain, where on a clear day you can see the Uinta Mountains 80 miles to the south, the Wind River Mountains 100 miles to the north, the Wyoming range 90 miles west, and the Medicine Bows 100 miles east.

Attend the rodeo in Cheyenne, then watch as Willie Nelson sings "Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain".

Sit in the stands in Laramie on a crisp Autumn day as a last minute field goal wins

Stalk a 26" mule deer though the junipers. Observe as a wild colt first suckles on the Red Desert.

Drive a herd of cattle down from the high meadows, or wonder at the endless panora-

ma of the grasslands. Spend a night sleeping out in the pines

with only the stars as a blanket. Swear that you can reach up and stir the

Milky Way with your hand. Walk around Jenny Lake with a stop at

Hidden Falls. Ride an inner tube through the Wind River

Have a milk shake in Shoshone or an ice cream cone in Farson. Feed the fish in Sinks Canyon, where the Popo Agie rises.

Go climb a rock at Vedaawoo or spend a day at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody. (PS. A day might not be enough)

Visit South Pass City for a look at our past or check out the ruts on the Oregon Trail and wonder about the multitudes that traveled

Solve the mystery of the Medicine Wheel in the Big Horns. Interpret the writings of the ancient peo-

ples at any of the many sites. Watch a moose feed on the willows near a beaver dam or a herd of pronghorns race

over the wide-open spaces. See the eagle spread its wings and soar,

framed by snow capped mountains far in the Take the tram at Jackson Hole to the top,

then ski to the bottom non-stop. Ride a four-wheeler through the Killpecker

Sand Dunes.

Spend a day in the south country and never see another person. Have a complete stranger stop and help

you change a flat tire. Have an "Old Timer" tell you how it was even better when he was a kid.

Share most of these things with your kids or grandkids.

After you have done some of these things, if I still have to explain,



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#### **NVN Roundup**



**COLLEEN BRUNNER** 

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NEWELL – An open house will be held on February 12, from 1-3 p.m. with a presentation at 2 p.m. at the SDSU Research and Extension Center at 711 North Creek Dr, Rapid City, across from Menards, for David Ollila, former Newell teacher. Ollila served with the SDSU Extension for the past several years and was the West River Sheep Specialist. All who know Dave are invited to

The Newell girls' and boys' basketball teams had a tough night on Friday evening as they hosted the Faith Longhorns. Both the girls' and boys went down to defeat. The girls lost as they were outscored in three of four periods. At the end of the first quarter the score stood at 19-16, Faith. Just four points were scored by the Lady Irrigators in the second period, halftime score was 36-20. Newell struggled on their passing game and the quick Longhorns ran a fast, tough game. They scored 18 points to the Irrigators 5 in the third period. In the fourth Newell finally put things together with Kayden Steele dumping in 8 points and other Irrigators adding 14 for 22, while Faith scored just 12. But the Longhorns had a decided advantage, which gave them the game, 66-47.

#### Miss Black Hills Stock Show Pays a Visit to Newell



A ROYAL VISIT - Carietta Schalesky, back, second from left, visited the Newell school to tell about her title as Miss Black Hills Stockshow. Schaelsky's niece is part of the class. - Courtesy photo

The boys' game was even more difficult as they went down to defeat 64-29. They managed 5 points in the first period while Faith racked up a solid 24. The second quarter saw Newell put up 9, as they were outscored by just three

points. The half-time score ended at 36-14. Nine more points for the Irrigators came in the third period while Faith added 10 to that with a total of 19. At the end of three the Longhorns were up 55-23. Six more points which came on single field

goals by Jaden Tennis, John Jackson and Colton Burtzlaff was not enough as their opponents outscored them again by three. The final was 64-29.

On Saturday the Lady Irrigators squeezed out a one-point victory over the Philip Scotties, 55-54. It was a rock-em, sockem game where the Newell girls had to be on their toes every second. Kyla Emmert picked up the slack toward the end of the game with a shot from just about anywhere.

Following the girls' ear ly game, the boys fell to the Scotties in a back-and-forth battle for the lead. At the end of the first period of play, Newell was down by just three, 12-9. They battled away in the second period with Huttson Wheeldryer putting up a field goal and a trey, while John Jackson shot six from the paint and another trey. He added two of three at the charity stripe to put the Irrigators up 29-25 at the half.

The Scotties had a streak in the third period to bring them even and then saw them pass the Irrigators, scoring 18-12 points in the period to end the third at 43-41. It was anybody's game as both teams were hot, running the floor and often making bad passes. Philip took the advantage though with 21 points to Newell's 12 in the

period, and the win, 64-53. Mesa Mangis, Sarah Erk, Brilee Heath, Jackson Duncan, and Macee McGregor competed at the Knights of Columbus Regional Free Throw Shoot in Sturgis on Saturday.

Howdy's Newmart started new hours on Tuesday, January 28. Monday through Friday hours will be from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Miss Black Hills Stock Show, Carietta Schalesky, visited the Newell first grade class this past week. Her niece is a student at Newell school and invited her to come and tell about her title. The Newell wrestling team had a great weekend tournament in Belle Fourche and two wrestlers brought home medals. Results from the two-day wrestling tournament at Belle Fourche: Blaise McGregor 0-2, Charlie Clements 0-2, Patrick Hamling 1-2, Chase VanDerBoom 4-2 with a fourth-place finish, Caleb McGregor 4-0 with first place.

The Newell Dance Team, under the direction of Jenn Stomprud, with guidance from Kaira Stomprud, saw some action as they performed at both boys' and girls' half-times in the games Friday night in Austin Auditorium.

(MORE PHOTOS B4)



FREE (THROW) FOR ALL - Mesa Mangis, Sarah Erk, Brilee Heath, Jackson Duncan, and Macee McGregor competed at the Knights of Columbus Regional Free Throw Shoot in Sturgis on Saturday. - Courtesy photo

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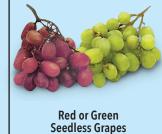
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Each Wednesday evening: The B.A.S.H. Christian Youth Group is every Wednesday night at Newell Christian Fellowship Church from 6-8 p.m. Ages 13-18. A meal is provided. For more information call Holly at 456-2544

Feb. 7: EMS Dodgeball Tournament-Belle Fourche Rec Center. 6 p.m. Public is welcome and encouraged to come and cheer their favorite team. All Butte County EMS will field a team. Newell PTO Father/Daughter dance-6-8 p.m. More info on Facebook.com/New-

Feb. 8: Newell Legislative Crackerbarrell, 10 a.m. at Newell City Hall. 103 Third street.

Feb. 10: Newell city commission @ city admin. Offices @ 6 p.m.; Newell School board meeting @ 6 p.m. at school multipurpose room.

Feb. 11- GBB/BBB at Newell 3 p.m. w/JV in Austin Auditorium against Oelrichs.

Feb. 12- Newell Christian Youth Ministry, 6 p.m. with supper and meeting to follow at Newell Christian Fellowship. Kids JAM at 6-7:30 at Nisland Independent Community Church for ages K-6th grade. Adult Bible study 6:15 at Nisland Independent.

Feb. 12: Retirement Open House for Dave Ollila at SDSU West River Research & Extension Center. Open House 1-3 p.m. with presentation at 2 p.m. 711 North Creek Dr. (across from Menards)

Feb. 14: Roller Skating at Newell City Hall, 4-9:30 p.m.

Feb. 15: Prairie Pals Roller Skating Feb. 16: 3rd Annual Vale Community Club Pancake Supper fundraiser. 5-7 p.m. Serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, biscuits and gravy. More info at valecommunityclub@gmail.com and find us on Facebook @ Vale community Club

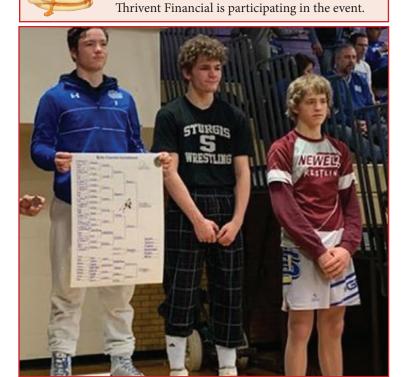
Feb. 21: Newell Lions Pancake Supper fundraiser for Sr. Center. 5-7 pm, at Sr. Center.

## BELLE FOURCHE BRONCS

STANDING TALL - Caleb McGregor (center) grabbed a first-place finish at the two-day Belle Fourche wrestling tournament this past weekend. - Courtesy photo



Morell elevates as he banks home a bucket against Philip on Saturday in Austin Auditorium. - Brunner photo



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(Above) A SUPER HALF-TIME SHOW - The Newell Dance Team saw some action as they performed on Friday night during half-time of both boys' and girls' games in Austin Auditorium.

(At Left) PODIUM BOUND - Chase VanDerBoom, far right, grabbed fourth-place at the annual Belle Fourche wrestling tourney on Friday and Saturday. - Courtesy photo

"Looking Forward to our Past" by Linda Velder

#### Then and Now in Newell

Feb. 10, 1910

Steps are being taken to locate a Post Office in the Wolff Butte neighborhood. The proposed site is at the home of Miss Pearl Belden, with Miss Belden as Postmaster.

The Senate committee on Judiciary has postponed action on the nomination of Captain Seth Bullock, as US Marshall for SD, for one week at the request of Senator Gamble. It is understood the committee will report favorably on Bullock whether Gamble opposes his confirmation or not, but the SD Senator was granted a week's delay as a matter of customary courtesy.

Last Sunday after Church, Miss Truax hand delivered invitations to the young people who attended church here or who parents attend here, to a Valentine party Friday evening, the 11th, at the school house.

Feb. 5, 1920 While returning home, after closing the store late Saturday night, Guy Kenaston slipped on the icy sidewalk in front of Bratton's warehouse and fell, fracturing his limb. He was given medical attention almost at once but of course, will be

laid up for sometime. Gordon Van Loan left his home Sunday afternoon for Casper, Wyoming. He is looking after his interests in the oil wells there and expects to be gone 10 days or more.

After the Leap Year dance last Saturday night, some of the boys found how popular they are at Vale. No doubt some of them are not so conceited now as formerly.

Feb. 6, 1930

An Ordinance for the regulation of all electrical and mechanical devices so as to prevent interference with radio reception in the City of Newell passed its first reading at the regular meeting of the City Commission Monday evening. This step was taken by the city officials in an effort to improve radio reception here and is in line with what other cities in the state are doing. It is expected that radio owners in the city will get behind the Ordinance by organizing a radio club. Debaters from Newell High School went to Deadwood Sat-

urday and Sturgis Wednesday to

debate the question as to whether the State of South Dakota should operate a hydro-electric plant on the Missouri River. Phyllis Schell and Velma Jaskela spoke on the negative side of the question. The debate was one in which no decision was made.

Mr. & Mrs. Christ Orwick of Mud Butte were visitors in Newell Saturday. Mr. Orwick coming in to make final homestead proof before US Commissioner C. D. Sanders. Witnesses attesting for Orwick were Charles Sundstrom of Twilight and Tom Boros of Mud Butte.

Feb.8, 1940

Frank Hoffmeyer has been working at the Vale Cemetery this week. He is employed on the project by the WPA and the American Legion to register and mark all graves.

John Elenberger of Nisland completed arrangements the past week for renting quarters in the Christian Building next to the Valley Irrigator and is at present setting up machinery and doing some remodeling therein prepatory to opening a shoe and harness shop. Mr. Elenberger is well experienced in this work and will announce a formal opening soon. He will handle new and old harness, do shoe and harness repairing and expects to be able to handle all work in a capable manner.

Charles F. Newman 61 yearold Hoover rancher, died late Sunday afternoon at the Belle Fourche hospital from head injuries sustained earlier in the day in a fall from a hay wagon on the Day Hoover ranch, where he was employed. He was rushed to Belle Fourche for medical attention, but died from a fractured skull about 3 hours after entering the hospital. Funeral services were held Wednesday and the body taken

to Hitchock for burial. Feb. 9, 1950

Fifteen members of the Newell Odd Fellows IOOF Lodge suffered a decisive defeat in cribbage play as guests of the Belle Fourche Odd Fellows there last Tuesday evening, but chalked the loss up as revenge for an earlier Newell victory and incentive for a rather "rubber" match there. A delicious "Mulligan Stew" was served by the hosts following the play and February 20th set as the date for the play-off at Newell.

Vale Lutheran Church was officially organized Sunday evening. The proposed Constitution had been in the hands of the people for several days and was passed in its entirety with little discussion. The following officers were elected: Chairman Dave Ruff; Secretary Charles Grant; Treasurer Vernon Edwards; 3-Year Trustee William Bucholz; 2-Year Trustee Robert Getty; 1-Year Trustee Charles Rank and Sunday School Superintendent Mrs. Stillman Edwards with Mrs. Jake Haffner Assistant. Challenges were read from the Gospel and hymns were sung to the praise

of their Savior. Feb. 11, 1960

The Freshman General Science class of Newell High School toured the 2nd Missile Battalion (NIKE-HERCULES) 67th Artillery Base guarding the south side of Ellsworth Air Force Base, recently. The class under direction of William O'Conner was given an introduction as to the operation of the Nike Missile and then given a tour of the installations in the base. After enjoying dinner on the base, further instruction was given by Lt. Olson.

At a meeting of Women's Fellowship held Thursday in the Fellowship room the 25th Anniversary of Christian Social

from the Newell Museum

Action work was celebrated. Rev. Rietmeier met with the group and discussed pari-mutual betting in SD and suggested that perhaps the women's group could write to the Attorney General for his opinion on the legality of pari-mutual betting. Mrs. Clearance Anderson read an article concerning GI Korean orphans and told about a family who has adopted numerous Korean children and of the need to support such programs. Guy W. Austin, Superintendent of Newell Schools since 1927 has resigned such position effective June 30 and will be succeeded by Principal Kenneth Hauge, it was revealed this week by Mrs. Pauline Malcolm, school clerk. Austin was instrumental in establishing the FFA agriculture department, now one of the oldest in the state, Home Economics and spearheaded continued programs for progress in the local school program. Hauge joined Newell High School faculty as basketball, football and track coach and science instructor in the fall of 1954 and was named principal in 1958.



1950: Vale Lutheran Church Established. Officers pictured with congregation. Front Row: Pastor Ellingson signing Constitution, Dave Ruff, Charles Grant, Vernon Edwards, Mrs Jake (Marie) Haffner, Jake Haffner.





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#### D.C. Booth Society Recognizes Distinguished **Friends; Holds Annual Meeting**

SPEARFISH, SD. January 23. 2020: The Booth Society, Inc, the non-profit friends group of D.C. Booth Historic National Fish Hatchery & Archives, held their annual meeting on January 21, 2020.

Lynn Tjeerdsma, retired senior policy advisor to Senator John Thune, and Renee Munasifi, past senior policy advisor to Congresswoman Kristi Noem, were honored at the event for their supportive roles of the hatchery, particularly during closure threats. Although neither Tjeerdsma or Munasifi were able to attend the presentation, representatives accepted plaques for each of them. Mark Haugan, West River Director for Senator John Thune accepted on behalf for Tjeerdsma; and Renee's brother, Representative Isaac Latterell of Tea, SD, stood in for Renee. Both shared comments about and from the Distinguished Friends honorees.



Lynn Tjeerdsma worked closely with Arden Trandahl from 1989 to 1996, helping Arden secure funding for a revamp of the facility which included funding for the gift shop, underwater viewing windows and archives building.

As a staff member with Sen-

ator John Thune, Lynn worked with the hatchery during the 2013-2017 closure attempt that threatened the hatchery and Spearfish community. Tjeerdsma visited the hatchery several times during the threat to get updates and check in with the Booth Society, helping write and support key language in the Appropriations Language, reaching across the aisle and working with various partners on the issue.

Tjeerdsma stated in written comments, "The battles fought for the future of D.C. Booth were some of my most challenging, yet rewarding. ... I am very humbled and appreciative of being named one of the Distinguished Friends of the Society."

Tjeerdsma spent his career working for the United States Department of Agriculture, the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, and Senator Thune's office. He grew up on a diversified crop and livestock family farm located in South central South Dakota which was homesteaded by his great, great grandfather.

Renee Munasifi was the senior policy advisor to Congresswomen Kristi Noem, working in that role from 2011-2017. Munasifi is known as a team player and worked on the hatchery Appropriations language to help keep D.C. Booth open. She was an adamant supporter of the hatchery and worked closely with then Booth Society Executive Director, April Gregory, to craft language that Congresswomen Noem was able to have

included in the House Appropriations language.

Munasifi says, "I had the opportunity to work to preserve



this historic site . . . Together, we came up with many creative solutions to keep it open, and I am grateful to have been able to use my time as a Congressional staffer to preserve something so special to so many people."

Steve Shuck, Booth Society board president, shared highlights of 2019, introduced the current board members, and thanked the community for their support of the Booth Society, especially for the ongoing 64 acre land acquisition capital campaign.

The Booth Society, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit friends group of the D.C. Booth Historic National Fish Hatchery & Archives in Spearfish SD. Founded in 1983, the Booth Society works to promote, preserve and enhance the educational, cultural, and recreational opportunities at the hatchery for the benefit and enjoyment of the public.



#### **BFACC Little Dribblers**

The BFACC Little Dribblers were the half time entertainment, Thursday, January 23rd at the BFHS girls basketball game. Twenty five kindergartners showed off their skills...dribbling, passing, footwork and fun in front of family, friends and community. Next year these kids start

playing games at the BFACC. Seventh grade girls basketball players Keagan Kiernan, Kailey Nowowiejski, Bailey Moke, Kaylor Kudlock, and Lainey Crago assisted with group practices and half time show along with the BFACC programming team and volunteers.



#### Looking Back in Belle

by Mary Buchholz

These articles come from newspaper microfilm from the Belle Fourche Public library, using a new microfilm reader and printer. The photographs are from the Tri-State Museum.

#### TOWN-LOT SALE. The New Town of BELLE FOURCHE.SO. DAI Tuesday, June 9, 1891

#### 129 years ago First edition of The Belle Fourche Bee **VOL 1, 27 May 1891**

Our Row Proprietor W. K. Frazier, Editor and Manager G. E. Hair Our purpose is for the advancement of this locality; the prosperity of this town and the farming community surrounding it; the upbuilding of the county in its entirely, and the great Black Hills – the richest spot of ground in the known world – as a whole, we shall ever labor, unceasingly and ungrudgingly, confident that in the near future we shall reap a rich reward from the thousands who will visit us and remain, either as business men of this town of Belle Fourche or as well-to-do tillers of the soil or stock-raisers on the magnificent land contiguous. This is the object of the Bee, and we ask every citizen to assist in our endeavor to assist

#### Our New Town

The latest aspirant for commercial honors in the Black Hills is the new town of Belle Fourche, in Butte county. Our town is so situated that its very aspect cannot help but lead one to think that, without and doubt whatever, it is destined to cut no small figure in the history of the Hills and that state. Located as it is, as the "meeting of the waters," where the Redwater and the Belle Fourche rivers form a junction, it has a water-power second to none in the west. Large bodies of water flow down these streams the year around, and thousands of acres are annually irrigated by them. The townsite is located

upon a low bench, the first one back from the river, in a small valley, guarded by low hills. An application has been made to the post-office department for the establishing of a post office here and we have learned that the application has been granted and the office will be established before our next issue. This town now has one fine hotel, two large grocery houses, one dry goods store, one harness shop, one barber shop, a bakery, feed stable, restaurant, two saloons and one newspaper, the Belle Fourche Bee. The town-lot sale occurs on Tuesday, June 9, 1891, at which time all lots will be placed upon the market, for sale, to the highest bidder. The indications at present show that an unusually large number of lots will be disposed of on that

#### Local Landlord Matthews fed forty-five transients at dinner yesterday. This is a new town, and a new hotel only one

day old. Arnold & Fowler the "Wide-awake" grocers, are putting in a large pair of platform scales along side their grocery store. This is for the convenience of their patrons as well as themselves

#### The Belle Fourche

base ball club is now ready to play any club west of the Ohio river, at any time or place, for any amount of money or for glory. There may be a few clubs in the Hills desiring to tackle it. If so they can get a date writing us.

J. C. Beverly, formerly of Rapid City, has opened a barber shop here, which is being extensively patronized. Mr. Beverly is a good workman and will in a short time have a shop of his own fitted up for the convenience of his customer.

#### The Pioneer saloon of the town

is that owned by Thomas Mc-Cumpsey, formerly of Montana, but now a good citizen of Belle Fourche. McCumpsey has been busy the past in the rear of his Main street lot. His family is now living three miles and a half southeast of here, but will be brought here on the completion of the house.

Canned goods of any kind and in any quantity at wholesale prices, at the "Wideawake," Belle Fourche

#### The noted "Wideawake" grocery of Whitewood

has opened headquarters here and is carrying an immense stock of groceries, provisions, canned goods and everything in those lines which go to make up a complete stock. Messrs. Arnold & Fowler, the proprietors, are prepared to furnish any quantity of their goods to anyone desiring them at regular eastern prices.

A. S. Gay, formerly of Nebraska, has opened up a large grocery, clothing and gent's furnishing goods store. Mrs. Gay arrived with the baby from Nebraska on Friday to remain. Mr. Gay has just about completed his new grocery store and, when finished, will have one of the largest and neatest in the town.

The New Hotel Not many new towns have a

good a public house of entertainment to start off with as this town of Belle Fourche. The townsite company, realizing that the large number of visitors to this town must accommodated with first-class hotel privileges, erected a fine two-story hotel building, 60X60 feet, and this was thrown open to the public Tuesday morning. Knowing

that in order for a hotel to be a success the management must be up to the times, the owners of the building leased it to one of the best hotel men in the Hills. Al. H. Matthews, formerly of the Harney Peak hotel of Hill City. This ensures to the people of this town a first-class hotel in every particular, as the reputation of Mr. Matthews as a popular and successful boniface is sufficient to remove all doubts to the contrary. The house has been newly furnished throughout, from the culinary department to the parlors, and with the efficient help now employed the patrons of the house can rest assured of receiving satisfaction all around. To people from the outside we would state that they need not fear visiting us on the grounds of lack of accommodations for we can assure them that the accommodations here are as good as any in the Black Hills – and far better than those in the majority of Hills towns. Stock Notes

The stock-shipping yards of the F. E. & M.V. company are situated about two miles from this town, across the Belle Fourche, in a westerly direction. They are the largest owned by this company. Last year

(1890) 1,315 cars of cattle were shipped by the Elkhorn from this locality between August 15 and November 20. This season the company expects to handle over 2,000 cars of out-going stock, besides large quantities shipped into the country from the south-west. This is the principal stock shipping point in the west. The S. & B. Stock Farm company has about completed a large stable and corral at the north end of Main street in this town, where it expects to keep on hand about 125 head of horses for sale and inspection during the coming summer.

A. Criswell representing the VVV cattle company arrived here from Texas Sunday, where he purchased for his company several head of young steers which will be shipped here in a short time and turned upon their Dakota range. A carload of stock-bulls were received here Sunday from Abingdon, Illinois, for the VVV cattle outfit. They are for use upon the range. The VVV outfit is holding a large bunch of horses near the stockyards. The horse round-up is just about complete.



The first edition of the Belle Fourche Bee, May, 1891 was laid out and printed in the lobby of the new hotel, at 5th & State St.





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#### Capitol News KAREN ODELL

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The Super Bowl is now over. Karen Odell's brother lives in Kansas City, so Karen cheered for the Chiefs instead of ignoring the Super Bowl as she usually does. This time the game was actually interesting and exciting, and she watched Hee Haw during the half-time, which was, in her opinion, more

entertaining. After all, who wants to listen to someone tell you what you just saw with your own eyes? Dick Albert was watching

the game, too, but Erma was enjoying visiting with friends on the phone. She was losing her voice to her allergies again. They had been to Belle Fourche and Spearfish one day, and on Sunday, Dick went to mass at the Catholic church.

Alvin Cordell stopped at Dorothy Padden's last Saturday, and they had a good visit. Otis Hewson and Jack Ovitz visited at Alvin and Marlee's on Tuesday. On Friday, Alvin and Marlee had a tax appointment in Belle Fourche. Then Marlee went back on Saturday to see Gavin play basketball with the 6th grade

Julia Davis made a trip to town on Saturday. She needed a working printer for her tax paperwork, so she had to get some ink. She stopped to visit Alfreda while she was there.

Donna Lewis his finally home again to Tie Creek, after having some cancer treatments. She had been to Casper, Wyoming to watch six of her great-grandchildren in wrestling tournaments. Wyoming now has sanctioned wrestling for girls, and four of the six grandchildren were girls, who did very well. Some won trophies

nearly as tall as they were. The youngest wrestlers were first or second graders. Donna spent

three weeks with her daughter Wanda, so that she could travel to her doctor's appointments. Now she has lots of mail and letters to write. It was great to hear her voice again.

Junior and Shirley Melum went to town on Friday to do some

shopping. Shirley is busy cutting and preparing wool for wool quilts.

Dawn and Bryce Padden had a party for her dad, Roger Stevens, on Monday. Dawn had supper for Nita and Erik Loken, Mac and Michelle Tooke, Dorothy, Brandon, and Brenton Padden. Dorothy went in to Camp Crook on Wednesday evening for the Methodist Soup Supper. Bryce and Dawn went to the Corner Bar in Camp Crook for the Super Bowl party on Sunday, and enjoyed the game and visiting.

Diane Wear came out to Ronda Cordell's on Monday and they headed into the fog to Spearfish for Ronda's last physical therapy appointment. Her progress has been very good, and at seven weeks after surgery, she had progressed to what is expected at twelve weeks after surgery. On Tuesday, Ronda rode to Ekalaka with Diane to take cake and goodies to a get-together at the Wagon Wheel in honor of Lou Strangford's birthday. Ronda went to Cheryl Burghduff's to help with a few bull calves on Wednesday. She stopped at the Methodist Soup Supper in Camp Crook on the way back, and the church was packed, and the soups were delicious. On Friday, Ronda frosted cupcakes while she water bathed 17 quarts of pie apples

and 8 pints of applesauce. She took the cupcakes and a gift to Darby Zolnoski for her birthday. Then Clint, Denise and the girls went to Belle Fourche to celebrate Darby's 3rd birthday by swimming at the Belle Fourche Rec Center. Gene Secrest had come out to the ranch this week to do Clint's feeding, and brought a ranch pick-up, and he rode back with them. Diane came to Ronda's on Saturday, and after chores they went to Belle Fourche where Ronda attended the Health Fair at the Belle Fourche Rec Center. Diane treated Ronda to a birthday lunch in Spearfish. Later at home, Darby wanted Ronda to share in her own little birthday party, too. Ronda watched the Super Bowl at home on Sunday.

Karen Odell finished publishing her new book as a paperback, and as an EBook, this week. Charlie spent a couple more days editing. On Wednesday, they went to the Methodist Soup Supper benefit for Lynn Martinez and Michelle Teigen. It was a great turnout with support from far and near, and will be a help for these ladies with the costs of cancer treatments. On Thursday, Charlie inspected cows for Capitol LCC. He made a trip to Buffalo on Friday, for groceries and to do some banking. He inspected again for Schell's on Saturday, and for Billy Roadifer on Sunday. Then he and Karen went to church at the Methodist church, and had lunch at the Over The Edge. Karen, her kids, and Karen's brother, Jim, kept up a running cementation with their texting during the Super Bowl game, and for once they were all for the same team.

I've been told the groundhog saw his shadow, and it will be an early spring, but I won't mention who told me that, in case of mob attack when it turns out not to be true.

#### **Grand River Roundup**

**BETTY OLSON** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

There was more beautiful weather this week, except for Thursday when it rained, snowed and had 62mph winds. It was 57 degrees here on Saturday!

We lost another old friend last week. Lee Timm, 74, of Hettinger, passed away at the West River Regional Medical Center in Hettinger on Thursday, January 23 following a battle with cancer. Lee's funeral was Monday at the Catholic Church in Hettinger. His family has our sympathy.

Roger and Dennis Nash came to visit us Monday afternoon. I'd found a bunch of Nash pictures in a box of pictures that my mother, Lila (Wilkinson) White had. I sent them home with Roger and Dennis, along with a bunch of equipment that Dennis had loaned me after my knee surgery. We're so thankful to have neighbors like this.

Amanda took the little people down to Hill City to spend some time with her cousin, Katie (Ginsbach) Gardner and her five little kids on Tuesday. Casey came over that morning and put a new light switch in the living room for me. It's pretty handy having family around that can fix almost everything that I break.

Missy had a doctor appointment in the Hills on Wednesday and Amanda had volleyball in Buffalo that night. Casey brought Amanda's kids home with him after wrestling

practice so she could play and Missy got home shortly after Casey and the kids came home. Unfortunately, both Copper and Knox got the flu and spent the night with Grandma and Grandpa throwing up. Casey said he spent most of the night washing the bedding they

had thrown up on, but both of them were healed up in a couple days and River Lu never got sick. The flu has sure been going around here, but at least it's not that coronavirus

that's taken over China. Reub had an eye appointment with Sarah Stuchl in Bowman on Thursday and it was raining when we left home. The rain turned to snow by the time we went through Scranton and the wind came up hard. I was afraid winter had returned, but it cleared off by Friday morning. The best thing that happened on Thursday was the birth of Alex and Reece Jensen's baby boy. Riggs Jay Jensen was born at 8:34am weighing in at 7 lb. 13 oz. and is 22 inches long. His two older sisters are in love

with the little man! Taz had a good run at the rodeo in Fort Worth Friday night. He won the round and was interviewed afterwards. The Dakota cowboys are doing well. Cameron Mormon, Bridger Anderson, and Taz all made it to the next go around on Thursday, February 6th. Taz will go to rodeos in San Angelo and San Antonio during the week before coming back to Fort Worth on Thursday. Amanda and the kids went over to Missy's to watch

him on TV Friday night. Casey missed it because he took the Harding County wrestlers to the tournament in Belle Fourche on Friday and Saturday.

The South Dakota legislature is in session and Marty Strand called me Saturday morning from Interior to let me know about a bill that Sen. Lance Russell is sponsoring to help rural fire departments. SB 56 would allow the state or any political subdivision that provides search and rescue services to collect the cost of the search and rescue services provided in a national park, national forest, or state park from any person for whose benefit the services are conducted, not to exceed one thousand dollars per person benefitted. The way it is now, if someone is hurt or injured on public land and several first responders from the fire departments have to go in to find and rescue them, the fire departments don't get paid for the rescue, even though it costs the fire departments money to do it. The bill passed out of committee and will come before the Senate on Tuesday.

Sen. Art Rusch has introduced SB 82 which is an act to provide for a risk protection order authorizing the seizure of firearms and ammunition. This is a "Red Flag" bill that would allow law enforcement to take your guns and ammo away without going to court if someone who doesn't like you reports you to authorities. This unconstitutional anti-gun bill is scheduled to go to committee on Tuesday and I certainly hope the

#### **Black Hills Stock Show Youth Day**

**SERENA DAVIS** FFA Reporter

On February 1st the Belle Fourche FFA Chapter Horse and Livestock Judging teams competed at the Black Hills Stock Show Youth Day. The Horse Judging Team which consisted of Nicole Kraft, Brenna Leitner, Reese McKenna, and Shaylie Holben placed 3rd overall and

made it to the second round of the Quiz bowl contest. The members of the Livestock Judging Team that went to the Stock Show was Serena Davis and Tia Williamson, the two also competed in the Livestockology contest. The first Spring CDE (career development event) is on April 8th and we can't wait to see how the teams do.



The Belle Fourche Horse and Livestock Judging Teams: (From left) Shaylie Holben, Nicole, Kraft, Brenna Leitner, Reese McKenna, Serena Davis and Tia Williamson. - Courtesy Photo



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committee shoots it down! Liz Marty May was in Rapid

City at the fairgrounds on Saturday announcing her run for the US Congress in the next election. Quite a large crowd of supporters gathered to listen to her speech. Liz and her brother, Rep. Sam Marty, grew up in Harding County and we certainly wish her good luck!

Todd Trask sent me this: Gun Enthusiasts

You may have heard on the news about a California man who was put under 72hour psychiatric observation when it was found he owned 100 guns and allegedly had 100,000 rounds of ammunition stored in his home. The house also featured a secret escape tunnel. By California standards, someone owning 100,000 rounds is considered ,,mentally unstable."

In Arizona, he'd be called ,an

avid gun collector."

In Arkansas, he'd be called "a novice gun collector."

In Utah, he'd be called "moderately well prepared," but they'd probably reserve judgment until they made sure that he had a corresponding quantity of stored food."

In the Dakotas, he'd be ,,The guy down the road you want to have for a friend."

In Wyoming, he'd be called "The neighborhood ,Go-To" guy."

In Alabama, he'd be called ,,a likely gubernatorial candidate." In Georgia, he'd be called ,,an eligible bachelor."

In North Carolina, Virginia, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky and South Carolina he would be called "a deer hunting buddy."

And in Texas he'd just be "Bubba, who's a little short on ammo."





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#### **Convention of States**



PIERRE, Jan. 28, Monday an enthusiastic crowd of grassroots supporters of the Convention of States (COS) movement gathered at the capitol in Pierre. More than 50 citizens from across the state met to speak with their local district representatives as well as show support for the cause at the rally.

The rally-goers are eager for the legislators to vote in favor of the new COS bill that will be introduced sometime this week. The bill will invoke Article V in the Constitution of the United States calling for a convention of states to consider an amendment to the Constitution. Specifically, the national movement

wants to create term limits for elected officials in Washington D.C., enforce fiscal responsibility and limit federal government overreach.

"Once they learn more, South Dakota citizens overwhelmingly and wholeheartedly embrace the need for the three pillars of the Convention of States," said Harvey Fitzgerald, a COS district captain from Buffalo Gap. "When they also learn the constitutional framers knew using Article V would be necessary, and gave us the tool to forge positive improvements in our country, the grassroots passion shines. We saw that in Pierre this week."

#### **New Coaches Announced**

Belle Fourche Youth Baseball announces new coaching, managerial staff for 2020 season Belle Fourche Youth Baseball has kicked off its plans for the spring baseball season with the selection of its Post 32 coaching and managerial staff.

Randy Doran will serve as Post 32 head coach. Doran is currently an assistant softball coach and mathematics instructor at Black Hills State University and has 12 years of coaching experience at the high school and collegiate level. In addition, Doran has multiple years assisting with USSSA youth and Little League baseball teams.

Lorenzio Tobar will be Post 32 Assistant Coach. Tobar grew up in the Belle Fourche baseball culture and is both knowledgeable of and familiar to Post 32 players and patrons. He graduated from Spearfish High School in 2018 where he was a standout basketball player for the Spartans. In addition, he was an assistant coach in BFYB Junior League for the 2019 season.

Ryan Stedillie will serve as General Manager of Post 32 Operations. Stedillie grew up in Sheridan, Wyoming where he was a baseball standout. He moved to Belle Fourche 20 years ago and has been with the city's Public Works Department for 15 years. He has several years of coaching experience in both basketball and softball; in addition to being General Manager he will also assist Doran and Tobar.

"We are excited to see what these guys can bring to the program and look forward to many years of success with them at the helm," said BFYB President Jason LaFayette. "I'm really excited to see where our Post 32 boys can go in 2020."

The BFYB board has held meetings for several months to discuss all aspects of the upcoming season. Letters to potential sponsors have now gone out; information about player sign-ups, the season, facilities, special events and a unique new fundraising effort will be made public soon.

For more information about Belle Fourche Youth Baseball, please call Jason LaFayette at (605) 641-4168.



Lorenzio Tobar



Randy Doran





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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

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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

NORTH POINT CHRISTIAN
CHURCH
10959 Kellem Lane, Spearfish
Sunday Services: 9AM and 10:30AM
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

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.
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605-642-0924

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Sunday School: 11 a.m.

Worship Nursery available Wednesday: 6:30 p.m., Learning and Discovery Study

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Msgr Michael Woster, Pastor
Fr. Zane Pekron Assoc. Pastor

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Pastor McKillop (605) 840-0554 Sunday: 9am Sunday School and Bible Class, 10am Worship

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Pastor Sheri Fadley

1804 7th Ave. Belle Fourche 605-892-2405 Worship: Sunday 10:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am King's Kids After-School Wed. 3:30 pm (Fall, Winter, Spring) VBS, Small Groups & Studies sched-

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**January 30, 2020** 

Bred stock still in high demand, weigh ups selling fully steady no sale next week, enjoy a fun and safe stock show week! Thank you for your business

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| C & N Livestock, Alva, WY                  |    |                         |      |        |
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| Consignment from, WY                       | 22 | Blk Brd Cow,Mar 15th,Bm | 1341 | 825.00 |
| WEIGH UPS                                  |    |                         |      |        |
| Spur Land & Livestock, NEwcastle, WY       |    |                         |      |        |
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| Eb Ranch Corp, Broadus, MT                 |    |                         |      |        |
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| Leon Jay, Hulett, WY                       |    |                         |      |        |
| Kirk R Or Denise Robinson, Ralph, SD       |    |                         |      |        |
| Dale A & Kathy Hogen, NEwell, SD           |    |                         |      |        |
| Peter Sobotka, Whitewood, SD               |    |                         |      |        |
| Haidle Farms Inc, Fallon, MT               |    |                         |      |        |
| Jesse C Labree, Ekalaka, MT                |    |                         |      |        |
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| Scot Buchholz, Belle Fourche, SD           | 11 | Black-Cow               | 1320 | 59.00  |
| Minnesela Cattle Co LLC, Belle Fourche, SD |    |                         |      |        |
| Rick Anderson, Sturgis, SD                 | 1  | Black-Cow               | 1850 | 58.00  |
| Branscom Ranch, Osage, WY                  |    |                         |      |        |
| Ivn Cattle Co LLC,, NEwcastle, WY          | 2  | Black-Cow               | 1395 | 55.50  |
| Ralph Or Susan Merchen, Custer, SD         | 1  | Black-Hfrt              | 1090 | 72.00  |
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| Long Pines Land & Livesto, Buffalo, SD     | 8  | Rd/Blk-Cow              | 1284 | 53.00  |
| Pete Reinert, Wanblee, SD                  |    |                         |      |        |
| Larry Koistinen, Belle Fourche, SD         | 1  | Black-Cow Lame          | 1335 | 51.00  |
| Paula Leuschen, Parkman, WY                | 2  | Black-Bull              | 1988 | 85.50  |
|  | 1  | Black-Bull              | 1830 | 83.50  |
| Curtis Laughery, Lodgegrass, MT            | 1  | Black-Bull              | 1805 | 83.50  |
| Jitt Schneider, Ekalaka, MT                | 2  | Black-Bull              | 1833 | 80.50  |
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#### BELLE FOURCHE LIVESTOCK MARKET, LLC Thursday February 6th, 2020 No Sale Enjoy The Stock Show

We now have our Miles City Receiving Station open! Located at 1132 HWY 12 Wednesday from noon – 4 pm Please call Jason Twitchell 406-480-2345 for arrangements

#### **CONSIGNORS:**

Belle Fourche Livestock Market, LLC is qualified to handle NHTC (Non-Hormonal Treated Cattle) & 3rd Party Verified Natural Cattle. For more information - give us a call (605) 892-2655

#### **BROADUS, MT RECEIVING STATION**

County Stock Yards every Wednesday from 1 pm – 3 pm (for special arrangements, give Rod a call) For more information contact Rod Schaffer - 406-436-2235 (home) 406-672-5546 (cell)

**High Plains Commodities Offices** Belle Fourche Livestock Market, LLC. Stop in or Call 1-800-888-1432 Kim Kling - Kem Kjerstad

#### **UPCOMING SALE SCHEDULE**

| February 6, 2020No Sale Enjoy The Stock Show                     |
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| February 13, 2020FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                |
| Start Times: Weighups- 9:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM |
| February 20, 2020 BRED COW & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                    |
| Start Times: Weighups- 9:00 AM   Bred Stock- 12:00 PM            |
| February 27, 2020FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                |
| Start Times: Weighups- 9:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM |
| March 5, 2020BRED COW & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                         |
| Start Times: Weighups- 9:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM |
| March 12, 2020FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                   |
| Start Times: Weighups- 9:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM |
| March 19, 2020BRED COW & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                        |
| Start Times: Weighups- 9:00 AM   Bred Stock- 12:00 PM            |
| March 26, 2020FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                   |
| Start Times: Weighups- 9:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM |
| April 2, 2020BRED COW & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                         |
| Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM   Bred Stock- 12:00 PM           |

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| April 9, 2020  | FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                                  |
|                | Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM |
| April 16, 2020 | BRED CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                                    |
|                | Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM   Bred Stock- 12:00 PM            |
| April 23, 2020 | FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                                  |
|                | Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM   Feeder Cattle- 12:00 PM         |
| April 30, 2020 | BRED COW & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                                       |
|                | Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM   Bred Stock- 12:00 PM            |
| May 7, 2020    | PAIR, BRED COW & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                                 |
|                | Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM   Pairs and Bred Stock- 12:00 PM  |
| May 14, 2020   | FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                                  |
|                | Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM |
| May 21, 2020   | PAIR, BRED CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL                              |
|                | Start Times: Weighups-10:00 AM   Pair and Bred Stock-12:00 PM     |
| May 28, 2020   | FEEDER & WEIGH UP SPECIAL   |
|                | Start Times: Weighups-10:00 AM   Feeder Cattle Special-12:00 PM   |

#### **BULL SALES CALENDAR**

| Thursday, February 20th | Neiman Cattle Co.                          |
|-------------------------|--|
| Thursday, March 19th    | J Spear Cattle Co. Angus                   |
| Thursday, April 2nd     | Bar 69 Angus                               |
| Thursday, April 9th     | Reich Char                                 |
| Thursday, April 16th    | CS Angus                                   |
| Thursday, April 23rd    | Mangen Angus                               |
| Thursday, May 28th      | Annual turn-out times all breeds bull sale |

#### **Belle Fourche** Community Calendar

**Feb. 6:** BBB 7th/8th vs Lead/Deadwood, 4:30pm @H **Feb. 7:** Caramel Rolls & Coffee, 8:30am, Belle Silver

Feb. 8: Saturday on State Market, 9am-3pm, 1401 5th Ave

of Commerce

Le Belle Marché Indoor Market, 10am-4pm, Venue 519 **Feb. 11:** Early Bird Coffee & Networking, 7:30am, Chamber

BBB JV/V vs Rapid City Christian 2:30pm @H GBB JV/V vs Rapid City Christian 4pm @H Better Choices, Better Health: Diabetes, 5:30pm, BFACC

Feb. 12: Chamber Luncheon, 12pm, Stadium Sports

**Feb. 13:** BBB 7th/8th vs Rapid City (Southwest) 4:30pm Wrst JV/V Dual (Douglas)5:30

Downtown Revitalization Meeting, 5:30pm, City Hall Feb. 14: Caramel Rolls & Coffee, 8:30am, Belle Silver

pm @H

Lining Healthy Habits Made Easy, 10am, Belle Silver Lining GBB C/JV/V vs Custer 1:30pm @H

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**Feb. 16:** Family Fun Day, 2pm, Tri-State Museum Center of the Nation Concert Series: Terry Barber, 3pm, **BFACC** Theater

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