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#### **City Hires** Finance Officer, **Bldg. Inspector** & HR Manager

**BEACON STAFF** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

BELLE FOURCHE - The city of Belle Fourche has recently filled several vacant positions among city staff. Several of those hires were approved during last week's city council regular meeting.

The city council approved the hiring of new Finance Officer Bethany Estes. She will take the position on March 21. She takes over following the resignation of Breanna Shaefer last November. According to city policy here hiring is contingent upon successful completion of a background check and drug screen. She will be hired at a starting wage of a \$70,458.89 annual salary as an exempt employee. A one-step increase is possible with a favorable six-month review. She has been informed of the residency requirements for the City of Belle Fourche which states that department heads must live within the city limits or three miles from the city limits. The Beacon will have an interview with Ms. Estes in the coming editions.

Also approved a week ago Monday, Kaya Gladu has been hired as the city's new Building Inspector/ADA Contact. As is city policy, his hire is contingent upon a successful background check and drug screen. It was further recommended that he be hired at a starting wage of \$19.09 per hour. A onestep increase is possible with a favorable six-month review. Upon obtaining his Residential Building Inspector certification, Gladu will be eligible to receive a one-step increase, within a one-year period. He will also be eligible for a one-step increase after obtaining his Commercial Building Inspector certification, within a two-year period. He will begin this position as soon as possible and he takes over for William DuBry who announced his resignation which became effective this week.

### Father/Daughter Dance Was Formal Fun



Belle Silver Linings Senior Center held its Father/Daughter Dance at the Community Center last Friday. The formal evening of Dining, Door Prizes, and Dancing was very well attended and, enjoyed by all, sure to be an annual event. The chicken or beef dinner was catered by the Branding Iron and served by the local FFA Chapter. Courtesy Photo

Gladu's duties include investigation and enforcement to ensure compliance with the municipal codes, ordinance resolutions, safety standards and adopted building codes. He will also review construction plans, perform building inspections and enforce compliance of local building codes and ordinances and assist in engineering projects as directed by City Engineer Brent Hardy. As for the ADA segment he will be responsible for coordinating and supervising activities necessary to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. In addition, Gladu will serve as the city's ADA contact person. The council also approved another city hall hiring on Feb-

Hailey Hanzlik has been hired as the Administrative Assistant for the Engineering Department, replacing Kristi

City Council B5

#### Sec. of State Barnett Welcomes Jensen, Says Election Security Solid

**BEACON STAFF** 

news@bellefourchebeacon.com Hills, South Dakota Secretary of State Steve Barnett told the Beacon the addition of former Butte County Auditor Elaine the office. Barnett spoke to a meeting of Lawrence County Republicans last week at the High Plains Western Heritage Center in Spearfish.

"I do feel for Butte County because their loss was certainly our gain," Barnett said. "We welcomed her with open arms. To have a former county auditor who served so many years as Elaine did and to have that expertise an arms-length away in

Jensen stepped down from her post at the courthouse after

acres Tract 3 Ridges Estates.

605-892-4485. A quote from Forterra for the

(SPEARFISH) - During a recent appearance in the Northern Jensen to his staff in Pierre has been a "wonderful addition" to

our office is very valuable.

Sealed bids will be opened February 15, 2022 at 1 p.m. in the County Commission Room of the Butte County Courthouse. The full amount of the purchase price must be paid in cash or guaranteed funds within 24 hours of acceptance. Any questions can be directed to the Butte County Auditors Office at

**Commission** B4

### serving the county for 17 years for November 8th. Numerous

and commented that it had always been her dream to work in the Secretary of State's office

"When we found out she expressed an interest in coming to join our staff we knew it would be a nice addition," Barnett told the Beacon. "And so often county auditors wear many hats which means they have such a great range of experience."

This is a busy year for Barnett's office as the state is finalizing it's every ten-year redistricting plan. Thus far he says there have been few problems with the new lines that are being drawn on the map and western South Dakota is fairly unaffected. The most noticeable changes are east river.

"What we're seeing is the area around Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County is where most of the changes are taking place," Barnett said.

State-wide primary elections are scheduled for June 7th and the general election is slated

statewide offices are on the ballot this year including Governor, US Senator (John Thune), South Dakota's lone US Representative, 105 legislators and 44 circuit judges, among others.

Barnett says it is always a challenge when it comes to balancing voting security with ballot access, but that South Dakota has done a pretty good job of that. In South Dakota the state uses paper ballots and machines are not connected to the internet. He says the state's small population works to our advantage as well when it comes to open canvassing of ballots and voting security.

Early voting begins 46days before the election and those absentee ballots must be requested. A downloadable form is available from the state website. Absentee ballots must be signed with a photocopy of an acceptable ID or notarized in the absence of an ID. On election day voters must present a

**Elections** B5

#### **Butte County** Commission

**BETTY BRUNER** 

news@bellefourchebeacon.com BELLE FOURCHE-A resolution was passed during the regular meeting of the Butte County Commissioners establishing some new boundaries for the county commission. Every ten years commission districts are evaluated according to population changes. Each district is to contain an equal number of

residents as near as possible. Population is based on the 2020 US Census. A map of the new district boundaries can be seen at the Office of the Butte County Auditor, 117 5th Ave. in

Belle Fourche. The commissioners have offered two properties for sale. Number 1 consists of 6.53 acres Block 1 A Lensegrav Addition

and Property #2 consists of 7.73

Wahlfeldt ligers Signs With



Sean Wahlfeldt signs to play baseball for the Dakota Wesleyan Tigers. Pictured, parents Angie & Kyle Wahlfeldt and his Post 32 Legion coach Randy Doran. Hunter Anderson photo

College Baseball.

Wahlfeldt signed his letter of intent on Wednesday to play NAIA Baseball for the Dakota Wesleyan Tigers in Mitchell.

"I pushed myself hard during the offseason to stay ahead of competition as much as possible", stated Wahlfeldt. "Baseball is a huge part of who we are as a family and there was never any doubt that I wanted to play at the next level.'

Wahlfeldt signed as a Left Handed Pitcher for the Tigers, although he is right eye dominant he learned to throw with his left hand something that he always knew would be an advantage. "My dad recognized when I was young that I could throw as well left handed as I did right handed, so he bought me a left handed mitt and the rest is history."

On top of pitching duties Wahlfeldt has been Post 32's starting 1st Baseman since 8th grade. "Sean has put in a lot of time and work to get to this point. Looking forward to seeing him back on the mound competing for us this spring, and excited to see him continue his baseball career at the next level at Dakota Wesleyan next year." Said Coach Randy

### **Pinnow Seeks District** 28B House Seat

LEMMON, SD--Neal Pinnow of Lemmon, announces today that he will seek the Republican nomination for the South Dakota House of Representatives, representing District 28B. District 28B encompasses all of Butte and Harding Counties and the northern one-third of

Perkins County. Neal was raised on a farm and ranch near Baker, Montana, received a Bachelor's Degree from Dickinson State University and moved to the Lemmon area in 1994. Since that time, Neal has raised a family, taught high school business courses, owns a small business and is very involved in community affairs including 20 years on the city council and as Mayor of the City of Lemmon. Prior to his service in city government, Neal served on the economic development and chamber of commerce boards. During Mayor Pinnow's tenure, Lemmon has become a leader in rural economic development and has witnessed business expansion in a time where many small towns struggle. His service to the community includes membership on the Lemmon Fire Department where he serves as the Training Officer and 2nd Assistant Chief.

Neal Pinnow is a small business owner and is the manager and owner of Hausauer Seamless Products, LLC. This business serves the vast trade area around Lemmon and like all businesses in District 28B, is deeply dependent on production

agriculture. As a small business owner, Neal is very aware that excess government regulation and taxes can have detrimental consequences to all business owners, wage earners, farmers and ranchers. Neal's business currently employs 11 individ-

"I enjoy serving the public and have the right experience to effectively represent Northwest South Dakota in Pierre. Whenever the City of Lemmon faced a problem in the past decade, we took that problem head on. When a major farmto-market street in town needed repair, I lead the project and cut red tape that involved two states, two counties and the city. By working together, we got the job done and I will take that same experience and ambition to Pierre to fight for agriculture, small businesses and conservative values," states Pinnow.

Neal lives in Lemmon with his wife Lisa, has three grown children and enjoys spending time with his grandchildren.



**Neal Pinnow** 



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#### **Gary Lee Licking 67**

Gary Lee Licking born July 11, 1954 in North Platte, NE. and passed away unexpectedly on February 8, 2022. Gary was two years old when his family moved to Buffalo, SD.

**Obituaries** 

He Married Dana Labbe' in 1983, they lived their years together at the family ranch 11 miles west of Buffalo. Gary enjoyed the community he lived in, because of the people and the relationships he had there. The people of Harding County are hardworking, generous and enjoy helping each other out. All of these things are

what Gary liked about his community. Even though Gary had the opportunity to move to Belle he chose to live at the ranch because of his love for the community and the land that was such a big part of him. Those of you who really knew Gary well, are aware of his reserved shy nature. He never tried in any way to attract attention to himself. We all at some point discuss how we want to be remembered and that is true of Gary. Attending memorial services for those in the community was something Gary did to show support and concern which was heartfelt. They always weighed heavily on his heart to the point that it was his determination that he has no memorial service himself. His desire was this; for those who knew him, they would take a moment and remember a happy memory they shared

with him and then make an opportunity to do something nice and kind for someone else. That is how he wished to be remembered and it is our privilege to give this to him as our last expression of our love and respect.

Gary had a deep relationship with his God Jehovah. He knew that while our passing is always possible, he knew that Jehovah's plan for our future will make this pain we feel now temporary and completely reversible. Gary

was always comforted when he lost his family and close friends with the hope, he would see them again. The promise from God at Revelation 21:4 "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry not pain be anymore. The former things have passed away." There has never been any pain, death or suffering in heaven. This was a promise for us on earth. Gary's confidence in his Creator was displayed clearly in how he lived his life.

Friends and family may sign his online guestbook and leave written condolences for the family at blackhillsfuneralhome.com



#### **Pastor's Perspective**

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Jean Helmer, Joy Fisher Ministries.

#### Forgive Me, Tony

He was a sophomore. Originally from Chicago, Tony's behaviors landed him at Sky Ranch for Boys. He did well there and graduated to the less restrictive Wingspread, a residential halfway house. This, plus classes at the local high school, would give him the skills he needed to transition

Tony had arrived at the high school a month before I began student teaching. I would have recognized his challenges had I given him any thought. Having moved from a country school of seven students into town school with twenty-eight per 8th grade classroom, I had been the stranger who tried to remain invisible while learning to navigate a foreign land. I knew, but I focused only on lesson content and teaching methodologies. I forgot to look at things from Tony's point of

A hot topic in 1970's teaching classes was how to refer to a student's ethnicity. Should people of Hispanic descent be called Mexican Americans or Chicanos? "Ask what term they prefer," we were instructed. I listened

The day's reading assignment centered on conflict caused by word choices. The teaching objective was, 'Students will understand the impact of words." Discussion during first hour literature had gone well. Tony was in second hour.

Teacher preparation classes emphasized engaging all students in discussions. As usual, Tony was completely silent. Focused on "good teaching," I was determined to involve him in discussion. I turned to him asking, "Tony, would you prefer to be called African American

or Black?" We all looked at him, wanting an answer from the school's sole dark-skinned student. Tony shrank in his seat, said nothing. An uncomfortable pause ensued. I assigned the class silent reading of the next assignment. That incident long haunted me. I knew I had

made a fundamental error. Only recently, when I re-imagined the situation, did I realize how profoundly inconsiderate and harsh my question had been. My question went beyond racial insensitivity. I was blind to Tony's humanity.

Suppose that day, Tony had broken his silence and responded in kind. "Well, Mrs. Helmer, would you rather be called the obese English teacher or the fat English teacher?" How would I have reacted? Soren Kierkegaard said, "What labels me, negates

me." My question labeled Tony "other." He was already the "new kid," the "city kid," and the "Wingspread kid." He did not need another label.

Scripture offers guidance. Proverbs 12:18 observes: "Language cuts and maims." Ephesians 4 instructs: Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up...that it may give grace to those who hear." Paul directs us to "encourage one another and lift each other up," (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

I hope Tony encountered other teachers who lifted him up. I pray he found teachers who looked beyond

his labels, recognized him as a beloved child of God, and encouraged him. Eternal, Universal Father, make me sensitive to those around me. Fill my mouth with pleasant stuff and close

it when I've said enough. Amen.



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#### LUTHERANS TO OFFER FAT TUESDAY SUPPER

St. James Lutheran Church, at 1100 Stanley Street, will be serving a Fat Tuesday (or Shrove Tuesday) supper on Tuesday March 1 from 5 to 7 pm. The supper meal will consist of pancakes, link sausages, scrambled eggs and coffee and juice.

Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday refers to the carnival celebration beginning on or after the Christian feast of epiphany and culminating on the day before Ash Wednesday. Mardi Gras is French for Fat Tuesday reflecting the practice of the last night of eating rich, fatty food before the Lenten sacrifices and fasting of the Lenten season. Christians made pancakes to use up their supply of eggs, milk and butter in preparation for Lent.

There is no set charge for the Fat Tuesday meal. Instead, it is a free will offering which will be used to replace an aging boiler. Funds for the supplies were received from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.



#### Speaker Thursday

Bruce Whalen will be speaking at the Dick Bowman Memorial Hall, Belle Fourche.

#### Thursday, February 17th, at 7:00 p.m.

Bruce is running for U.S. Senate representing South Dakota, where under God the people rule. Bruce's experience within the private arena and also tribal governance provides him unique insight in representing all of South Dakota.

Bruce will strive to Secure Our Rights and Keep Our Republic as our Founders intended. Bruce is a Christian husband and father and puts his faith in Jesus above politics.

Bruce believes in: Securing our Rights... Life, Liberty, Property and Defense Thereof; Keeping the Republic; that the individual, not government, is the primary Constitutional Authority; that all Life and Liberty originates form our Creator, and not the whim of bureaucracy.

Everyone is welcome!



### Jean Helmer "Author Talks"

Meg English Special to the Beacon

At the Matthews Opera House Author Talk series on Tuesday, February 1st Jean reflected on her work to a masked, but attentive audience. Jean is familiar figure in Belle Fourche. Thrice retired, her first career as a high school English teacher earned her various awards and accolades. Among them, the nickname "Ham" short for "Hammer" and a reputation for firm classroom management tempered by an appreciation for even the most unendearing teenagers. Jean's second career as a college teaching instructor was a natural transition. Not surprising, Jean's third career was her call to the ministry. Today, Jean continues to wear all 3 hats as she pursues a fourth career, writing.

Jean has always been a writer.



Over the years she has

accumulated a wide collection of personal narratives, poetry, biographies, and many reflective essays. Jean writes to preserve personal and family memories, to commemorate significant events and to place the present in historic context. She writes to

"The reason I write is to note without judgment what is taking place in front of me, and to capture those observations in writing"

Jean also writes to understand. From her personal memoir Up Hay Creek, a chronology of her rural Butte County childhood in the 1950s and 60s, she read from "May Flowers" In this narrative, Jean recalls a fine spring day. The first prairie flowers are blooming in the pastures. She, her younger brother and parents spend a luxurious Saturday afternoon gathering plentiful bouquets of shooting stars, lark-spur, and blue bells. The prairie flowers will be arranged and given to friends and neighbors. The children learn conservation methods about picking wildflowers. On one level the story recounts an idyllic childhood memory childhood amidst pastoral rural scenery.

However, Jean's dad soon notices strange pieces of what appears to be aluminum foil scattered in the pasture. The family continues gathering flowers, but the parents are suspicious. Jean learns later that the metallic fallout, called "chaff" and was dropped to jam radar. Up Hay Creek contains many other

references to troubling cold war events that tend to darken what many remember as a simpler, safer time.

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Although Jean's work conveys a sense of seriousness, she has a fine sense of humor too. She is versatile. Many of her stories, especially those from her high school teaching years are entertaining and funny. At the same time Jean is careful not to divulge the identity of the characters. "I write about events that have impacted be, keeping focus on this is my perception of what happened. I do not write or expose the stories of others---those stories are theirs to tell. Whenever a work might violate someone's privacy, I omit or

change names. " She is a long time member of the Belle Fourche Writers and the Bear Lodge Writers. Her published work includes: Before the Amen; Granite Island, Amber Sea; Roots Grow Deep and Strong; Black Hills Literary Journal: the Family Issue; Oakwood, 2019: Pasque Petals, 2020; Gyroscope; Crone Edition; Watershed and Wyo Poets 2019-2020 Chapbook.

Jean is also a regular contributor to pastor's columns in the Belle Fourche Beacon. The Matthews Opera House Author Talks continue through May. The agenda includes several other local writers. On March 8th, Bruce Roseland will present his work, Dawn Newland will read on April 5th, and the Belle Fourche Writers will present on April 19th. The readings are open to the public from 12:30 to 1:30 PM.

Thank you to all that made my birthday a very special day. Special thank you to my kids that had to plan "2" parties.

Gelene Moke



February 22nd, 2022 (2/22/22) will fall on a Tuesday. It'll literally be a 2's day.

Tuesday 2/2

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subject Refreshments served \$2 per person or free with membership

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### Belle FFA at Rodeo Rapid City



#### **ELIJAH POMRENKE**

FFA Reporter Jan. 31st the Belle Fourche FFA chapter sent 38 members to attend the annual Black Hills Stock Show and Rodeo Rapid City. Along with the many vendors and livestock auctions that the stock show is usually associated with, FFA members had the opportunity to attend seminars put on by industry leaders in South Dakota at the first FFA DAY at the Rodeo. Some industries that represented Agricultural Education Pathways included Animal Systems, Plant Systems, Power and Technical Systems, as well

Advocacy and Communications. Each seminar was put together for the purpose of educating and informing those in attendance about the given industry. The Animal Systems pathway gave lectures on the pork, beef, and the meat processing industries.

The plant systems had presentations including the importance of soil health, grain marketing, and agronomy genetics. The power/technical systems pathway had three seminars with topics of precision technology and precision agriculture, and today's constructions industry. while the advocacy and communications pathway had three discussions including importance of advocacy, telling Ag's story through news stories, leadership and communications. To wrap up the FFA Day members were able to take part in an interactive indepth look at livestock judging. FFA members got to choose which pathways they wanted to attend, and also got some time

to walk around the stock show taking in the sights and sounds.

Many local businesses supported FFA Day by sending personnel to present to the FFA Members. Here is a special thanks to those sponsors; South Dakota Farm Bureau, Tyson Meats, Soil health coalition, South Dakota Beef industry, South Dakota Pork Producers, Dakota grain mill, Butler Machinery, the National Guard, Stockgrowers/ Homegrown, Agtegra, and Brink Construction. Also, a thank you to the Monument and Sutton Rodeo where the stock show was located, that allowed space for these presentations.

Belle Fourche FFA Members were active throughout the rest of the 8 day long Black Hills Stock Show and Rodeo Rapid City as well. District V Officers Morgan Mackaben (President) and Dustin Kolb (Treasurer) help hold down the Ag Adventure Zone presented by South Dakota Farm Bureau located at the south end of the Ice Arena on Saturday January 29th. Belle Fourche FFA officers did their part by helping work a shift on Thursday afternoon February 3rd. This is an area that is set up for kids to come and learn about agriculture industries of South Dakota with interactive games and puzzles. Advisor Austin Bishop says, "This is such a great way for members to give back to the agricultural community."

Members did not rest for the remainder of the Stock Show with five members competing at Youth Day. This is a day for 4-H and FFA Members to compete

in Hippology and Quiz Bowl for youth interested in the Horse industry, and a Livestock Judging competition and Livestockology for the livestock invested kids. The highlight of this day was Freshman Radlie Williams placing second in Livestockology.

A friendly reminder that our Fruit Sales are now in FULL swing. If you would like to place an order please contact any Belle Fourche FFA Member or contact our Advisor at austin.bishop@ k12.sd.us

### **Chamber Ribbon Cutting**



The Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting Feb. 11 at the Black Hills Diner, the family owned and operated diner at 1405 5th Avenue. (corner of Hwy 85 & National St.) Open Tuesday to Saturday from 7a - 2p. Hunter Anderson photo



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This group of BF Chapter FFA members served as the serving committee for the Belle Silver Linings Senior Center Father/Daughter Dance and banquet at the Community Hall. Branding Iron catered the meal. Courtesy Photo

#### 2022 Harrisburg Girls Wrestling Tournament

Lady Bronc Wrestlers: Kyra Vandeberg, Hailey Rodriguez, ans Alexa Swaney all came away from the 2022 Harrisburg Girls Wrestling Tournament.

Alexa at 132 # had a sixth place finish, with Kyra, 106#, and Hailey at 126 both garnering seventh place finishes.

All three wrestlers won three matches to achieve their placings.

The team of "three" finished 14th in a field of 34 teams.

Pierre Riggs with 12 wrestlers finished first, followed by Spencer Iowa's team of 10; and Canton third with 19 wrestlers.

In Boys Wrestling action Belle was on the short end of a 68-6 dual against neighboring Sturgis.

Only Thomas McCoy at 138# had a victory for the Broncs. He pinned Sturgis' Thayne Elshere in 1:36.

Also competing in the dual for Belle was Logan Tyndall at 106#, D'Angelo Garduna 113#, Clay Mackaben 120#, Riley Dighton 126#, Zach Tonsager 132#, Owyn Schreder 145#, Cayden Wolfe 152#, Andy Tonsager 160#, Lucas Green 170#, Cade Bickerdyke 195#, Lucas Tonsager 220#, and Sean Wahlfeldt 28#.

The Broncs also dropped the JV competiton to Sturgis 40-0. Bronc grapplers in competition were: Koby Bowden 106#, Taiten Eaton & Oden Walding, 113#, and Soren Kopp 120#.

The Region 4A Wrestling Tournament will begin 10 am, February 19th at Douglas in Rapid City.

SDHSAA Class A Boys State Wrestling Tournament will be held at the Denny Sanford PREMIER Centerin Sioux Falls starting at 9 am (CST) on February 24th.

#### SD SEN. RYAN MAHER **Legislative Report**

There is going to be quite the change in tone for the appropriations committee and the legislature overall. For the committee last week, we are finishing up the last of the budget hearings that we have. Here are some of the more notable requests:

The Dept. of Health is looking to replace all of the LFEPAK devices that they have in the ambulances across the state. What's that? A LIFEPAK is an automated defibilator that monitors data with a patient and will transmit that in a format that the care providers within the ambulance can read. They

are currently a few years past their shelf life.

Additionally, the appropriations committee toured the State Health Lab on Monday. It was extremely informative to see everything that the Lab does, and get a good overview of what the project would look like. They want an entire new structure and office space remodel with a price tag of roughly \$60,000,000. Note, this is all Federal dollars that is being requested. I'm going to make a proposed amendedment that any surplus equipment after the renovation and construction of the facility will be given to the colleges/ tech schools at no

The office of the Attorney General is looking to add two different positions within the state to address issues of do-First would be an addition of a human trafficking coordinator, which would help to easier missing people. Additionally, the office wants a specialist for missing and murdered native women, who have seen a statical increase in violence in recent years.

calendar covered a range of topic this week. Tuesday we heard a bill that would add Juneteenth as a holiday. Seeing as this simply just adds another day off for a holiday that no one talked about 3 years ago, I voted no but the bill passed the senate 23-11. Additionally, I supported a bill that the senate passed to legalize public land use of night vision equipment while hunting coyotes and other predators. This bill does have season limitations, so you will not, for example, be able to use night vision on deer. While there was supposed to be a resolution heard on mobile sports betting as a ballot measure, it was deferred to another day.

The final big event this week was the vote on State Affairs regarding a convention of the states. Let me provide some context: there is two ways to amend the constution of the national government. An amendment can either be ratified by 2/3 of both chambers at federal level, or passed by 3/4th of the states. If 2/3 of STATES ratify a "convention of the states", in which amendments to the constution can be voted on. What the purpose of this convention what have done was tried to pass something establishing spending controls and do various other states. Now, there was a lot of testimony in favor, and much against. The proponents of the convention state that they would be able to fix many problems in the government, while opponents of the bill state that there is no grounds and that the solution to reigning in the federal government is simply more responsibility in the legislature.

The convention went down in committee 5-4 and was lost. Marci H.

Joined the Nehl Dental Hygiene Team 2 years ago. We love you, Marci!



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#### In Support of Our Nation



Cash Johnson has enlisted in the Army National Guard. He left Tuesday to report to Camp Rapid and will attend basic training in Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Cash is a 2021 Graduate of BFHS and his enlistment was delayed a year as a result of a broken arm.

Cash is the son of Mitch Johnson, Belle and the late Bobbi Johnson. He is the grandson of Dan and Gloria Bacon of St. Onge and Mark and Rhonda Johnson, Belle Fourche.

Cash will be trained in plumbing in the guard and upon return from training will attend Western Dakota Vo-Tech to study to be an electrician. Courtesy photo

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Sometime in the near future, there may be a smokeout, which means that 1/3 of the senate can force a bill onto the floor out of

item. Looking to next week's article, expect to start hearing about some hotter issues, and some bills coming out of appropriations. Enjoy the week!

### "Pottorff Strong" Propels Broncs Victories

JIM TRIMBLE

news@bellefourchebeacon.com Tuesday Feb. 8th's boys-girls varsity basketball games were big in more ways than one. A large partisan crowd of Broncs fans were present at Ed Petranek Auditorium.

The vast majority of fans were wearing "Pottorff Strong" tee shirts. The reason was to support Broncs Head Basketball Coach Clay Pottorff whose father was recently diagnosed with a serious cancer issue.

The Broncs players responded by knocking off both good Rapid City Christian teams. The Boys played the first contest and defeated the Comets 64-54 and the Lady Broncs followed up with a 42-37 win over the Lady Comets.

After the games Coach Pottorff briefly addressed the crowd thanking the students, fans, and the whole community for their support and love for him and his family.

The Boys game tipped off first as Brones junior guard Anthony Budmayr had a career night pouring in 26 points while nailing 5 treys and a perfect 7-7 at the free throw line. Budmayr hit a couple of threes in the first quarter and staked Belle to a 18-11 lead after one. The Comets closed the gap 28-26 late in the second quarter when

**Pottorff Strong!** 

senior forward Aiden Giffin hit a fall away jumper on the baseline and Belle led 30-26 at intermission.

Both teams played an aggressive match up zone and over two minutes went by in the third period before Budmayr drained a three and Belle led 33-26. The Comets put on a full court press and after three Broncs turnovers Christian responded with buckets and led 34-33.

Bronc senior Ryker Audiss completed a basket and one to silence the rally. Audiss scored again followed by a hard driving basket by Giffin midway through the quarter and it was 40-37 Broncs. Junior Tatin Yackley dropped in a three while senior guard Gabe Heck hit two charity tosses and Belle had a 45-41 cushion, but the Comets drained a three-point buzzer beater to close the gap to one point at the end of three.

The Comets started the fourth quarter with a 6-0 run, but the Broncs countered with a 9-0 run of their own fueled by threes from Audiss and Heck. Audis hit 1-2 from the line and Budmayr hit a runner in the lane and Belle led 57-50 with under three minutes left. The Comets were forced to foul and Budmayr put in 6-6 at the stripe down the stretch to seal the 64-

Giffin put in 14 for Belle with Audiss scoring 13 and Heck finished with 8 points. The Broncs hit 10 from behind the arc and made 12-15 from the line.

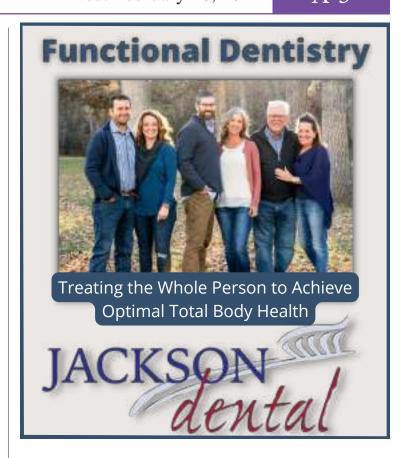
The Broncs improve to 10-7 on the year while Rapid City Christian drops to 11-5.

Christian won the JV game 77-38. Nolan Wahlfeldt paced Belle with 15 points and Jet Jensen chipped in 10.

The Comets also won the C contest 69-33. Carter McKenna had 10 for the Little Broncs and Isaac Voyles added 8.

In the girl's game, the Lady Comets hit 4 from deep and led 16-3 midway through the first stanza but the Broncs rallied behind three pointers by senior Kaylin Garza and junior Dylan Stedille.

Junior post Grace Clooten also hit from the paint and Christian led 16-8 after one. Both teams had trouble scoring to start the second quarter however Mataya Ward broke the drought with over four minutes gone with a breakaway layup. Stedille put in a hoop off an offensive rebound and junior Lily McCarty bombed in a three and the game was tied at 16. Stedille gave Belle the lead with a running jumper in the lane, but the Lady Comets went on a 7-0 run to lead 23-18 at half-time.



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#### **Bronc Boys & Girls Topple Custer**

JIM TRIMBLE news@bellefourchebeacon.com

The Bronc Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball teams hosted the Custer Wildcats at home on Feb. 5th. The Lady Broncs defeated the Lady Wildcats 55-44 while the Boys dropped Custer

The Ladies bolted to a 14-7 lead at the end of the first quarter behind senior Kaylin Garza's two scores from deep.

The Broncs extended the lead to ten at halftime behind three pointers by junior guards Dylan Stedille and Lily McCarty and inside the lane buckets by sophomore Mataya Ward and Belle led 29-19.

The Wildcatsoutscored the Broncs 13-10 to narrow the gap to a 7-point deficit. However, Garza took over in the fourth quarter scoring seven of the Broncs final 16 points in the game and Belle cruised to a 55-44 win.

Garza led all scorers netting 19 while Stedille added 11 points, Ward 10 and Grace Clooten chipping in 8 points. The Broncs JV's powered past Custer 53-23. Lily Nore paced Belle with 18 counters and Matava Ward finished with 12.

In the C contest the Little Ladies were victorious 47-20. Nore led the way with 13 points with Sarah Juelfs and Kailey Nowowiejski canning 8 points

The Boys overcame 22% shooting from the field by garnering 41 rebounds and hitting 14-20 from the free throw line to defeat the Wildcats. Cold shooting by both teams found the Broncs leading 17-13 at halftime, but the Wildcats were able to knot the score at 32 all after three periods. Belle outscored Custer 16-6 in the final quarter to secure the ten-point

Anthony Budmayr put in 16 points and cleared 11 boards to complete a double-double to lead the Broncs. He also had seven steals and three assists. Senior guard Gabe Heck bombed in 12 points all from behind the arc and Aiden Giffin had a double-double scoring 11 points and hauling in a game leading 12 rebounds. Twenty-one of the Broncs forty-one rebounds were on the offensive glass. "I thought we battled well. We didn't shoot well but hustled on the boards and that was the difference," said Broncs head coach Clay Pottorff.

In the JV game the Broncs pasted the Wildcats 59-35. Jayden Sechser poured in 24 points for Belle, Jet Jensen netted 12 all from downtown and Nolan Wahlfeldt 10. Custer salvaged a win in the C contest besting the Little Broncs 49-39. Jordan Sandoval had 10 for Belle and Carter McKenna added 9 points.



Giffin, Ryker Audiss, and Anthony Budmayr. All BB photos Courtesy Jamie Hockenbary

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

Belle Fourche's "Super"

I must confess I have never been a devoted fan of professional football.

The only Superbowl I've ever watched from beginning to end was the very first one January 15, 1967.

I remember Bart Starr led the Green Bay Packers to a 35-10 victory over the Kansas City Chiefs

The next time I tuned in to national TV with any interest was in 1970 when I saw the Minnesota Vikings "Purple People Eaters" fall to the Kansas City Chiefs

As we print the Beacon on Mondays I'll be assembling pages, but do intend to keep track of this Super Bowl.

> Every body seems to enjoy sports more when they had a relative participating.

I don't know that a more devoted fan of a player has ever followed the game of football closer/better/devoted/and enthusiastic than the one you can read about below. She was there, and watching her grandson play.

Performers Needed for a Community Event! The Belle Fourche Fine Arts Boosters will hold their annual Belle Fourche Community Variety Show on March 20th at 2:30 PM and are looking for acts! Auditions will be held at the end of February by appointment. This show is a community and school combined event to benefit local student fine arts programs and activities. Performances of all kinds - singing, dancing, skits, instrumental, comedy, and group acts are invited to contact the Belle Fourche Fine Arts boosters at bfhsfab@gmail.com or the FAB secretary, Reva Potter, by

- By: Doug Cole

### text at 605-892-2342.

Sharri Wilson is a retired Elementary school teacher. Before retiring in 2000 she

taught kindergarten 33 years in Spearfish. She had moved to Belle

Fourche from Spearfish in

You might of known her son Trevor? Trevor had moved from this area to Casper to live and

Maybe you know her grandson?

It is a name if you didn't know, you won't soon forget. Her grandson is Logan Wilson.

Logan is a football player and Sharri very seldom has missed any of Logan's games all through high school, college, and the NFL.

You see, Logan Wilson is the Middle Linebacker for the Superbowl contending Cincinnati Bengals.

Sharri can provide play by play details, but Logan grew up in Casper, and attended Natrona County High School, where he played defensive back, wide receiver, placekicker and punter on the football team.

He was named first team

All-State as a placekicker as a sophomore and as a junior and at safety, wide receiver and punter as a junior.

As a senior, Wilson recorded six interceptions and five passes broken up on defense, 29 catches for 493 yards and seven touchdowns on offense and was again named first team All-State at safety, wide receiver and punter and helped lead the Mustangs to a 12-0 record and a state title.

Logan went on to play college football at Wyoming.

Logan redshirted his true freshman season. As a redshirt freshman, Wilson made 94 tackles, 7.5 tackles for loss and three sacks with seven passes defended, three interceptions with one returned for a touchdown, a forced fumble and three fumble recoveries with one returned for a touchdown and was named the Mountain West Conference Freshman of the Year.

Wilson posted 119 tackles, eight tackles for loss, a sack, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery with an interception and two passes defended in his redshirt sophomore season and was named honorable mention All-Mountain West.

**Football Fan** 

He was again named honorable mention All-Mountain West as a redshirt junior after making 103 tackles with two sacks and 11 tackles for loss while breaking up four passes with two interceptions.[

As a senior, Wilson made 105 tackles with 8.5 tackles for loss and a sack with four interceptions (one returned for a touchdown), 11 passes broken up and a forced fumble and was named first team All-Mountain West and a second team All-American by USA Today.

Wilson finished his collegiate career with 421 tackles (fourth-most in school history), 35 tackles for loss and seven sacks with 24 passes defended, ten interceptions, four forced fumbles, four fumbles recovered and three defensive touchdowns.

Logan was selected by the Cincinnati Bengals with the 65th pick in the third round of the 2020 NFL Draft.

He was named the starting middle linebacker for the Bengals heading into the 2021

His play through out the year is a large part of why the Bengals played in this year's SuperBowl.

It was hard to watch the game without thinking that the cheering of one grandmother from Belle Fourche helped spur on the Bengals.

For Super Bowl LVI, Logan wore No. 55 for the Cincinnati

"Let go and let God," said Logan Wilson of embracing his first Super Bowl appearance during an interview with FanSided on Friday afternoon. "It's a surreal feeling, you prepare your whole life for this. ... And that dream has become a reality for me and for every one of us."

Over a million kids play football in highschool. Around 70,000 of them go on to play football in college. Of those less than 1% ever play the sport professionally.

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All we can speculate is that having a grandmother like Sharri supporting you is Immeasur-



Sharri Wilson pictured with Grandson Logan Wilson after the Cincinnati Bengals 27-24 AFC Champinship over the Kansas City Chiefs. Logan led the Bengals defense with 10 tackles in that game; 93 on the season. Courtesy Photo



Logan Wilson (55) getting up from a tackle in 4th Quarter of 2022 SuperBowl. NBC TV Photo





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Tibbetts, Shannon Or Patti, Rapid City SD...1......Blk.. Bull..........790.... \$134.00 Weigh Up Cows Bauer, Bradley/Rhonda, Union Center SD ...5 ......Blk .. Cow ....... 1295.... \$72.50 Bauer, Bradley/Rhonda, Union Center SD ... 1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1185 .... \$62.00 Bauer, Bradley/Rhonda, Union Center SD ... 1 ......Blk .. Hfrt......... 1005.... \$96.00 Bauer, Bradley/Rhonda, Union Center SD ... 1 ...... Blk .. Hfrt ......... 740 ...... \$97.00 Bauer, Casey, Union Center SD......1 ...... 1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1200.... \$77.50 

Thompson & Sons, Ww, Spearfish SD .......2 ..... Blk .. Hfr .......... 835.... \$130.00

Brown, Steve Or Kathy, Sturgis SD......24....Blk .. Cow ....... 1407.... \$74.25 Brown, Steve Or Kathy, Sturgis SD......1 ......1 ......1405.... \$61.00 Brown, Steve Or Kathy, Sturgis SD......7......Blk .. Cow....... 1187.... \$69.50 Brown, Steve Or Kathy, Sturgis SD......1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1150 .... \$71.00 Brown, Steve Or Kathy, Sturgis SD......8.....8/R. Cow......1275....\$73.00 Bryant, Scott, Sturgis SD .......33 ....Blk .. Hfrt .......859 .... \$120.00

Broken Bridge Livestock, Sturgis SD .............1 ......Blk .. Cow ........ 1330.... \$69.00

Bryant, Scott, Sturgis SD .......3 ...... 3 lk .. Hfrt ......... 776 ..... \$111.00 Bryant, Scott, Sturgis SD ......15 .... Herf Hfrt .......861 .... \$117.00 Bryant, Scott, Sturgis SD .......3 ......Red. Hfrt ......... 850 .... \$114.00 Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT ...... 2 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1257.... \$74.50 Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT ..... 1 ..... Blk .. Cow ....... 1140 .... \$79.00 Campbell, Sharron, Gillette WY......1......1 ......Red. Cow....... 1400.... \$60.50 Capitol LLC, Capitol MT......7 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1274.... \$70.50 Capitol LLC, Capitol MT......6 ......6 ...... 8lk .. Cow ....... 1109 .... \$63.00 Capitol LLC, Capitol MT......1.....1 ......Blk .. Cow ....... 1050.... \$56.00

**Bullock Community Players** are gearing up for MAS\*H, their 2022 annual production and what a production it is! Tim Kelly adapted the play

from the book Richard Hooker had written in 1960. This will be the 19th season

(year) for the Bullock Community Players.

The large cast, 30 characters in all, come from a wide area including the Buffalo, Camp Crook and Bowman areas and and points between.

Each member brings to the production a unique and personal portrayal of their character.

They have spent a great deal of

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hard but so is the support technicians who also have put in long hours to make sure this is the best possible entertainment for the audience.

recting and producing are a few of the many jobs that are quietly picked up by those who believe

in this event.

Concessions are available with a wonderful menu of brats, soft drinks, candy bars and of course popcorn freshly popped.

a distance and are looking for overnight lodging, the Tipperary Lodge in Buffalo which is under new ownership, offers great rooms at an affordable price with that hometown hospitality.

Buffalo and Camp Crook also have restaurants that boast a great menu for your dining pleasure.

March 4th, 5th and 6th are

......2 ......Lh ... Cow ....... 1250.... \$55.00 Grieves Ranch (Chuck), Newcastle WY......1.....Blk.. Hfrt..........1055.. \$103.00 Jewett, Tyler Or Sally, Belle Fourche SD ......2 ...... Herf Hfrt........... 1100.. \$110.00 Kretschman, Clancy Or Lacey, Arvada WY..1.....Blk.. Hfrt.......... 1075.. \$101.00 Kretschman, Kelby K Or Lacy, Arvada WY...1 ......Blk .. Cow ........ 1350.... \$76.00 Lewis, Jesse, Black Hawk SD ......1 ......1 ......Blk .. Cow ....... 1570.... \$73.50 Lewis, Jesse, Black Hawk SD ......1 ...... 1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1455.... \$74.00 Lewis, Jesse, Black Hawk SD ......1 ...... 1 ...... 1170 .... \$90.00 Lorenz, Tanya, Belle Fourche SD......1 ...... 1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1300.... \$67.00 Mcginnis, James Iii, Capitol MT......2......Blk .. Cow ........ 1385.... \$71.50

Mcginnis, James Iii, Capitol MT......10....Blk .. Cow.......1322.... \$73.50 Mcginnis, James Iii, Capitol MT......1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1255.... \$53.00 Mcginnis, James Iii, Capitol MT......6 ...... 6 ..... 858.50 Murphy Cattle Co, Hermosa SD......1 ......Blk .. Cwette .... 935...... \$83.00 Novak, Preston, Newell SD .......3 ......Bbld Cow ....... 1133.... \$79.50 Novak, Preston, Newell SD ......5 ...... 5 ..... Blk .. Cow ....... 1446.... \$75.50

Randall Inc, Broadus MT ......5 ......Blk .. Cow ....... 1350.... \$74.00 Randall Inc, Broadus MT ......5 ......5 lk .. Cow ....... 1269.... \$61.00 Randall Inc, Broadus MT ...... 1 ..... Blk .. Cow ....... 1265.... \$73.50 Randall Inc, Broadus MT .......3 ......Blk .. Cow ....... 1153 .... \$55.00 Randall Inc, Broadus MT ......1 ...... 1 ..... Blk .. Cow ....... 1060.... \$60.50 Randall Inc, Broadus MT ......1 .....Red. Cwette .... 990 ..... \$75.00 Ryan Xz Ranch LLC, Aladdin WY ......1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1640.... \$65.00

Semont LLC, Capitol MT......1 ......Blk .. Cow ....... 1308.... \$74.00 Semont LLC, Capitol MT......9.....9 ......Blk .. Cow ....... 1227.... \$72.00 Semont LLC, Capitol MT......1 ...... Blk .. Cow ....... 1155.... \$64.50 Semont LLC, Capitol MT......2.....Blk .. Cwette .... 1137.... \$76.00 Svoboda, Jeff, Hermosa SD......1.....1 ......Blk .. Cow....... 1215.... \$72.00

Tetrault, Tim Or Roxie, St Onge SD ......1 ..... Red. Cow ...... 1605.... \$70.50 Thompson & Sons, Ww, Spearfish SD ........1 ......Blk .. Cow ........ 1605.... \$70.50 Wickwire, Kolby Or Jules, Aladdin WY.......1 ..... Red. Cow ...... 920..... \$90.00 Weigh Up Bulls Baker, Robert, Buffalo Gap SD......1 ...... Blk .. Bull.......... 2460.... \$90.00 Berry, Roy E, Newell SD......1.....1 .....Blk .. Bull........ 1645.... \$91.50 Berry, Roy E, Newell SD......2.....Herf Bull.......1490.... \$87.50 Capitol LLC, Capitol MT......1 ...... Blk .. Bull........... 1765.... \$95.00 Heart H Partnership, LLC, Camp Crook SD.2.....Bull..... . 2105.... \$98.00 Jensen, Jeff Or Christine, Newell SD......1 ...... Herf Bull........... 1435.... \$85.00

Kaiser, Thomas, Hermosa SD......2.....Blk .. Bull......... 1890.. \$103.50

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... 1840... \$111.50 .. 1750.. \$100.00 Semlek, Mark A Or Sheila R, Moorcroft WY .1 ......Blk .. Bull ........... 1970.... \$98.00 Semlek, Mark A Or Sheila R, Moorcroft WY .1 ......Blk .. Bull ........... 1675.. \$102.50 Sprague, Dale Or Ruth Ann, Mud Butte SD .1 ...... Bull ..... .. 2000.. \$102.00 Sprague, Dale Or Ruth Ann, Mud Butte SD .2 ...... Bull ...... ... 1887.. \$100.50 Sprague, Dale Or Ruth Ann, Mud Butte SD .2 ...... Bull ........... 1342.... \$86.50 Trigg, Allen Or Karen, Weston WY......1......1 ......Red. Bull..... .... 1915.. \$103.50

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Sheep Report - Thursday, February 10, 2022

Lamb Market Was Sold Steady To Higher On A Very Active Market Fleshy Slaughter Ewes Were \$20 Lower, Medium & Thin Ewes Sold Steady

Next Sale - February 17th - Bred Ewe Special - 1 PM Thank You For Your Business!

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Beardsley, John Henry, Miles City MT......12....K Ewe......159.. \$131.00 Beckman, Dan, Prairie City SD ......29 .... Ewe............. 146.. \$161.00 Beckman, Dan, Prairie City SD ......13....K Ewe......138.. \$155.00 Beckman, Dan, Prairie City SD ......7 ......K Ewe............ 152.. \$131.00 Iberlin Ranch, Gillette WY..... Nelson, Larry Or Sandra Holcomb, Buffalo SD ..... 5 ..... K Ewe ..... 161.. \$161.00 Nelson, Larry Or Sandra Holcomb, Buffalo SD .....16 ... K Ewe ..... 185.. \$131.00 Rodriguez, Christopher, Clearmont WY.......7......K Ewe..........140.. \$161.00 Slaughter Bucks

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Februry 18th - Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes February 25th - Feeder Cattle & Replacement Hfr Special - Selling All Classes March 4th - Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes

March 11th - Feeder Cattle & Replacement Hfr Special - Selling All Classes March 18th - Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes

March 25th - Feeder Cattle & Replacement Hfr Special - Selling All Classes

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April 15th – Weigh Up Special – Selling All Classes April 22nd – Feeder Cattle & Replacement Hfr Special – Selling All Classes

April 29th - Weigh Up Special - Selling All Classes

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### **Bullock Community Players to Present 19th Annual Play**

time and travel on this project! has been key in making such a large undertaking possible.

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For those who are traveling

the dates for this event. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:00 p.m. and the Sunday performance is at 2:00 p.m.

The venue is the unique Bullock Community Center, 10930 Ladner Rd., Buffalo, SD. Advance tickets will go on sale February 22, 2022 at Dakota Community Bank in Bowman, ND and Pioneer Bank and Trust in Buffalo, SD. Tickets will also be available at the door the days of the performances.

Be sure to mark this date on your calendar and get your tickets. We will see you at the play!



Cast members begin rehearsals for 19th Annual Play. Courtesy photo



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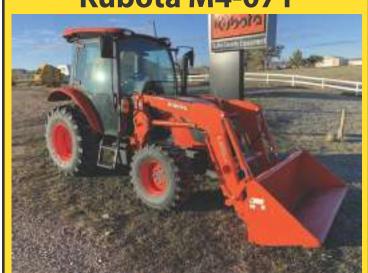
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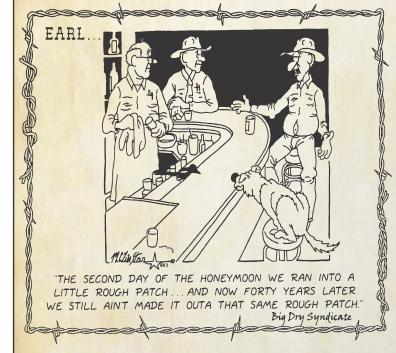
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#### **CHUTES 4 CHARITY BINGO 2022** FEBRUARY 15TH, MARCH 15TH, AND APRIL 19TH.



#### **The Good Stuff**

by Jim Thompson

The Good Stuff was developed for radio by Jim Thompson nearly 2 decades ago. 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

My sources are plentiful after these many years of radio talk shows and newspaper columns. But the best remain my friends, who have sources that I may never see. Today from long time rodeo friend Jim Whiting something on aging:

I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 60

I don't have to go to school or work.

I get an allowance every month.

I have my own pad. I don't have a curfew.

I have a driver's license and my own car.

The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant and I don't have acne.

Life is great!

On aging:

I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds.

#### The 75-Year Old "Teenager"

People get out of the way much faster now. Gone are the days when girls used to cook like their mothers. Now they drink like their fathers.

I didn't make it to the gym today. That makes five years in a row. I decided to stop calling the bathroom "John" and renamed it the "Jim". I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.

Old age is coming at a really bad time.

When I was a child I thought "nap time" was a punishment. Now it feels like a small vacation.

The biggest lie I tell myself is... "I don't have to write that down, I'll remember it".

I don't have gray hair... I have "wisdom highlights"! I'm just very wise.

If God wanted me to touch my toes, He would've put them on my knees.

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet.

Why do I have to press one for English when you're just going to transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

Of course, I talk to myself. Sometimes I need expert advice.

At my age "Getting Lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came In there for. I have more friends I should send this to, but right now

I can't remember their names. Now, I'm wondering... did I send this to you, or did you send it to me?

Thanks Jim...and readers, if you can't remember things like this; I suggest you cut it out and read it to your



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Mick Harrison



"Great-Grandparents"

This was an earlier painting c. 1974 of my grandmother Effie Harrison's parents, Andrew & Beda Eklund, who were immigrants from Sweden. A small 2"x3" black & white photo was my source for the image. I painted it in color on a 44" x 32" canvas, angled horizon and all. I've been told my great-grandmother was somewhat crippled, the reason for her being on a chair out on the prairie. These were salt of the earth people, they lived a much different life than us.





Mick B. Harrison's

Artists License ...and other wonderments.

#### **Capitol News**

#### KAREN ODELL

news@bellefourchebeacon.com

Erma Albert went to the Senior Center to play cards. on Tuesday. She and Dick made a trip to town for some shopping. on Thursday. They went to the Senior Citizen dinner on Friday. and helped celebrate Kay Ovitz's birthday. On Sunday they went to the Catholic Church for mass. and then had lunch at Saloon Number Three with the Erks and Father Brian.

Last Sunday, Ryan Cordell got two loads of calves loaded and trucked to the sale at Faith. On Tuesday, Alvin and Marlee took their gas fireplace back to Gillette to be repaired, but came replace it, and got it installed. On Wednesday, Alvin went in to Camp Crook for the last night of pill pool. Then on Saturday, Alvin and Marlee went in to Camp Crook for his sister, Ronda's, surprise birthday party. Alvin had had coverings of snow a few mornings, but when he went up to the Yates place on Friday, he discovered about

three inches.
Lynn Gustafson went to
Rapid City, on Monday, with
Yvonne Yoder. On Wednesday,
Lynn went to Camp Crook for
the Diligent Doers Extension
Club meeting, at the Methodist
Church. Everyone shared the
hostess job this time, and they
had a good meeting. On Sunday, Bruce and Lynn attended
church at the Little Missouri

Church.



Julia Davis had a post-op appointment in Belle Fourche, on Wednesday. The x-ray showed that things were looking good. Now she has some new exercises that will probably make

her wrist hurt again. Doug has been busy feeding cows, and got just a dusting of snow on a couple of days.

Alex Moncur has been busy with feeding, each day. Darwin came out this weekend to help out. Daeson had an AAU wrestling meet in Buffalo, on Sunday, and he won fourth place. Daeson is in fifth grade this year.

Dawn Padden made a trip to Malta, last Thursday. She visited with Lynn Brewer over the weekend, and came home on Tuesday. She and Lynn are both photographers, and take sports pictures for schools, so they had lots to discuss. Dorothy Padden went with Bryce Padden to the Herb Kerr funeral, on Monday in Ekalaka. On Tuesday, Dorothy, Bryce and Dawn went to Buffalo for the boys basketball games. Dawn and Dorothy went to Camp Crook, on Wednesday, for the Diligent Doers Extension Club Meeting. Then on Thursday, they were back in Buffalo for the girls basketball games. Next, Dawn and Bryce went to Ekalaka on Friday, to see their nephews play basketball for their last home game. On Sunday, they went to the

AAU wrestling tournament at Buffalo, and stopped at the Corner Bar during the Super Bowl game on the way home.

Ernie and Rachel Melum celebrated their anniversary this week, and celebrated with a day of shopping in town. It has been a windy week with only a little skiff of snow.

Karen Odell did some carpentry, sewing, and music this week. She got to see Kellan Odell wrestle in Mitchell on YouTube. Micki's family got to fly to Disneyland, for Murphy's birthday, and we got to join in, through texts. Karen got an invitation to her niece, Keely's, baby shower in Nebraska. The baby will soon be here. She also got to visit with her close friend, Marla Flatgard, this week. Marla is a great conversationalist, and shows her enjoyment of the conversations. She even gets a word in edgewise sometimes. Marla is a really good baby, and goes along in all kinds of weather to help with chores. I think she is already a country girl at heart, just like her Mom. Karen finally got her Christmas/Groundhog Day letter written this week, and Charlie went to Camp Crook twice to mail all the letters. On Saturday, Charlie and Karen went into Camp Crook for Ronda Cordell's surprise birthday party. Diane Wear, and Ronda's kids did the preparations, and even got her there to be surprised. Her kids were all there, and most of her grandkids, too. Ronda was wondering about some of the strange plans that had been made, but was still

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surprised. It was a great party, and everyone enjoyed visiting with people from near and far, at the Community Hall. It also happened to be Toney Hannah's birthday, and he celebrated, too.

Karen and Charlie were so glad to see so many friends, that they nearly covered all the problems of the world in their discussions. I said 'nearly' so that was stretching it quite a distance, but not too far. On Sunday, they went to church at Gomer, Ohio and listened to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Charlie went to the Over The Edge and brought home supper.

Ronda Cordell drove to Belle Fourche and Spearfish, on Monday. Clint Zolnoski also headed out on Monday, to haul the Bobcat to Gillette to have a checkup. Ronda went to Camp Crook to mail a certified letter on Tuesday. The Over The Edge was open during lunch hour, so she stopped to eat. Janet Odell, Yvonne Yoder and Audrey Cordell had the same idea for lunch, and the four had an enjoyable visit. Clint Zolnoski made a trip to North Dakota, on Wednesday, to take a look at some hay. The weather was quite blustery, compared to the day before. Clint drove the Dodge home from being repaired. Ronda came back by way of Ladner, and stopped briefly at Jack and Kay Ovitz's. The farther she came from Bowman, the more snow there was, especially in the Ladner area to the river. Ronda got two loads of hay, on Thursday, that were delivered from Woonsocket, South Dakota. Tony Hannah stopped to visit Ronda on Friday. Luckily, Ronda had cleaned house, because unexpected company was coming. She frosted some Valentine cookies and was wishing the cookies were as easy to mail as

cards. Linda Hannah called to invite Ronda to supper at the Over The Edge, that evening, because it was Toney's birthday. They picked Ronda up, and when they came down main street and parked in front of the Community Hall, Ronda knew right away there must be a surprise 70th birthday party. Some people over 70 yelled 'Surprise' as she walked in the door. The biggest surprise was that Arlie, Oren and Konnor came running up to greet her, along with Abby, Darby, Jayda, Caden and Carsen. Luke Basler's family had flown from Missouri into Rapid City, earlier in the day. As one knows, there was big bunches of food, and lots of visiting and good-times at get-togethers like that. Ronda wants to say "Thanks" to her five kids who hosted, and to all her friends who came to help celebrate her 70th birthday. Her birthday was really February 1, but this date worked best for the whole family. Sue Hight, Alvin Cordell and Ronda had a picture taken together to commemo the birthday parties they had had in past years. Their February birthdays were on the 5th, 6th and 1st.

Chad Zolnoski had hauled the Bobcat home from Gillette, Curt Zolnoski and family, Cristen and Jayda Westling, Jon Hamilton, Erik Berglund and fiance Theresa, had all come from Rapid City. Cristen's and Luke's families stayed at Ronda's, while the others stayed overnight with Clint and Denise. Curt's family had to leave early for basketball games in Belle Fourche, but everyone else, including the Hannahs, enjoyed breakfast at Clint's, on Sunday. Ronda and Luke's family went down to Clint's to watch the Super Bowl that

afternoon.







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**INVITATION TO BID** 

Sealed bids for the NDSU Hettinger Research Extension Center AG Storage Building will be received at NDSU Hettinger Research Extension Center until 9am MST Friday February 25th, 2022, after which they will be opened and read aloud in the conference room at:

NDSU Hettinger Research Extension Center, 102 Highway 12 West, Hettinger, ND 58639

Bids received after that time will not be accepted. Interested parties are invited to attend. It is the responsibility of the bidders to see that mailed or delivered bids are received by the deadline listed above.

Bona fide (Prequalified) contract bidders may secure copies of the proposed contract documents as follows:

Bids will be received at that time for a General Contractor and Electrical Contractor or combined contract.

Drawings and specifications prepared by ICON Architectural Group, LLC and their consultants may be seen and examined at the Architect's office or at the following plan exchanges: Dodge Plan Room, Construction Market Data, Minneapolis, MN; Minnesota Builder's Exchanges at Minneapolis; North Dakota Builder's Exchanges: Bismarck Dickinson Minot Fargo Grand Forks; South Dakota Builder's Exchanges: Rapid City

1. Bidders may request digital copies of the construction documents including addendums by contacting Laura Kendall at ICON Architectural Group at (701)

772-4266 or by contacting Chris Schauer at NDSU Hettinger REC at (701) 567-4323

2. One copy of the Drawings and Specifications, upon nonrefundable payment of \$100.00 made to ICON Architectural Group may be obtained at the office of

ICON Architectural Group LLC, 4000 Garden View Drive, Suite 101, Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201. Telephone (701) 772-4266. Drawings and specifications will be mailed to any contractor as requested for an additional fee of \$10.00 (total of \$110.00)

Each bid shall be accompanied by a separate envelope containing a Bidder's Bond in a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the full amount of the bid, including

all add alternates, executed by the bidder as principal and by a Surety Company authorized to do business in this state, conditioned that if the principal's bid be accepted and the contract awarded to him, he, within ten days after

Notice of award, will execute and effect a contract in accordance with the terms of his bid and a Contractor's Bond as required by law and the regulations and determinations of the governing board.

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A copy of the contractor's license or certificate of renewal thereof issued by the Secretary of State shall be enclosed in the required bid bond envelope. Envelopes shall be identified as to contents and project.

All bidders must be licensed for the highest amount of their bids as provided by Section 43-07-05 of the North Dakota Century Code. No bid will be read or considered which does not fully comply with the above provisions as to bond and licenses and any deficient bid submitted will be resealed and returned to the bidder immediately.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or irregularities, to reject any and all bids and to hold all bids for a period of 30 days after the date fixed for the opening thereof.





#### From A1 Commission

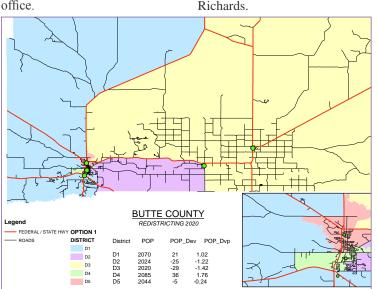
Palo Road bridge improvement was approved by the commission. The work will be done for a total cost of \$65,096. This includes a two-foot cutoff wall, wrap, epoxy, etc. for \$5,096 and \$60,000 for the mobilization of the crane and pipe. A box culvert will be used to replace the bridge that has been closed for several years. Work will also consist of rerouting the creek

Bids are scheduled to be opened for the County Highway Department at the March 1 meeting at 10 a.m. State's Attorney Cassie Wendt approached the commissioners on behalf of Clara Kiley and Amy Welles. The two employees have been with the State's Attorney's office for several

years and, according to Wendt, they deserve to have a wage increase appropriate with their skill level and years with the office.

Although an argument was given that raising the wage negotiations after the budget was approved would set a precedent, Commissioner James Ager pointed out that since Wendt had never gone over budget in the past and that Department heads should be allowed to come anytime to ask for wage increases, then a wage increase should be allowed. He also pointed out that it was stated in the handbook.

Wendt also pointed out that the commissioners had done wage changes for other departments and again emphasized that it was found in the handbook. After more consideration, the commissioners decided that there would be an increase for Kiley and Welles. They also decided that an analysis would be made of employee wages throughout the county level. "We need to take a look at all the wages," said Commissioner Karrol Herman. Her words were echoed by Commissioner Kim Richards.



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One new application was brought before the commission by Wendt for their approval. The LLC has applied to be a cultivation facility. Although no physical address is listed, the

legal description was included with the application. The commissioners approved the application to be forwarded to the state for approval.

There will be a change for the

future commission meetings. February 15 will be at 6 p.m., with bids being opened at 1 p.m. The regular March meetings will be March 1 at 9:30 a.m. and March 15 at 6 p.m.

#### Wisdom From Out West!

The Opinions of Robert Dennis.

A self-employed, rancher, saddle maker, poet, picker and chopped liver. rdennis@gwtc.net

#### Gathering 'Em In

Well, I did it again! Missed my deadline and they had to rerun a pervious column! I apologies to both of you readers who can't wait for my weekly words of wisdom. But hey, be honest, anything I write is worth reading twice! Right? Right? (Don't worry, I don't really believe that, but this is how I amuse my old befuddled mind!)

I do have a good excuse. See,I was on this bronc, trying to gather cattle on hard icy ground. This ol' jughead I was ridings was pretty bad about stumbling and would break in two with me pretty often. I was trying to gather a bunch of silly snakes who had been ungathered for several years as they was just too crafty at getting away. The pasture they were in was about 2000 acres, rough, nasty, full of cedar breaks and most of it steeper than a cows face!

Several of us were hired to clear and ship them out as after this drought all the feed was gone. Water was about all gone and the nasty ol rips were about to starve to death, When we got to the pasture, turns out a few didn't show up. The other 3 of us were all old time fellers, when we give our word to do a job, we are gong to do it, come hell or high water!

We all knew the lay of the land, made our battle plan and proceeded to gather the "wild bovine". The shipping pens were on the south end, in the bottom of a draw where it started to flatten out. So we go to the north and luckily had a strong cold wind from the north help us drift them ol' hussies to the pens. There weren't but about 150 head of them. Somehow they had managed to get most of the calves off them last fall, so we had just pretty much cows to gather. What few calves were with them, were bound to flow along good, was our thinking.

We get around them, start whooping and hollering down in the draws and canyons and you would have swore there was 30 of us instead of just three. The cows are tearing thru' the brush,

looking to get away, but one of us was on each side and one in the back and we kept them headed straight down the canyon we wanted. When we got to flat where the pens were, there was a couple of wings on either side that narrowed down to the pens that would funnel them in...it wasn't just like clockwork!

When you get almost to the bottom, there was a side canyon/draw where one side of the wings didn't quite go to and I am not sure why. That was the spot everybody else who'd tried to gather them would lose them. We all know that and as luck would have it, that was on the side I was winging them on. I am hustling along, not getting to far back to lose any behind me and yet trying to stay as far forward as I can so as to be there and block that exit for them.

Things is looking great, everything going well and we are almost to the wings when the leaders see what is happening and make a break for that gap between the wing and the end of the canyon. I was having to stay kind of on the side hill and when I see them looking to go that way, I squalled and turned ol' Puddinfoot loose. Man, we was flying!

Next thing you know the dang horse stumbles, don't catch himself and down we go, end over end! Last thing I remember was seeing a big rock headed straight for my head!

When I woke up... I realized it was all just a bad dream from similar experiences in my youth! I was so scared I couldn't talk and darn sure couldn't write nothing until know!

Those you who know me know that not being able to talk is plumb unnatural!!!

Anyway, now you know why I missed last weeks assignment. Baring any future dreams, I will sure try and stay ahead of this deal!

Until next time, don't let your horse get you down with your head under you!!!







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From A1 Elections

photo ID at the poll. Acceptable forms of ID include driver's license, non-driver ID Cards, travel cards, passports, student ID cards of military ID.

Requiring a photo ID has not suppressed or discouraged voting, according to Barnett. "You need an ID to check into a hotel room or to get on a plane, so I don't think showing ID suppresses the vote at all," Barnett said. "I've not heard anyone complain about that. I think it's an adequate safeguard.' Barnett said he felt COVID caused a lot of confusion in the 2020 general election. Several state election laws were changed by government officials who courts have now

ruled did not have the authority to change those laws.
"We had conversations with

"We had conversations with the secretaries from Utah, Colorado, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington who were mailing out ballots to everyone. We have statues in place (in South Dakota) that say you can't just mail everyone a ballot," Barnett said.

Barnett said that South Dakota did not change any voter laws during the pandemic, and it worked very well, serving as a model to how things might have been done. Despite COVID South Dakota had the highest voter turnout in state history in 2020 without changing or relaxing any voting laws. "We did not change one law and

we had the most votes ever cast in a South Dakota election just north of 427,000," Barnett said. "We had a really engaged electorate and just utilized the laws that we had on the books. We reminded people that you can absentee vote and having that 46-day window to vote ahead of time helped take the pressure off the polls. We benefitted from the laws that were already in place. They worked well even in a pandemic. You really have to tip your hat to our founders who had that foresight.' Barnett says that the state has 152,000 registered Democrats, 279,000 registered Republicans and 140,000 who are registered independent. There are 2,600 registered Libertarians.

#### From A1 City Council

whose upcoming resignation was approved at a council meeting earlier this year. As per city policy Hanzlik's hire is contingent upon a successful background check and drug screen. She be hired at a starting wage of \$16.87 per hour with a one-step increase possible after a favorable six-month review. She began the position last Monday and will train along-side Weed until Weed's departure in April.

Earlier this year the city hired a new HR manager. Gina Carpenter was hired as the Human Resource Manager for the City of Belle Fourche in January. She was appointed in mid-January after the resignation of CharLee Bachman who stepped down effective February 4th. Carpenter, a University of Wyoming graduate, served as a financial specialist for Campbell County, Wyoming, including work in their human resources department. For nearly ten years she was a financial specialist for the CAM-PLEX in Gillette.

During the community input session of the Feb. 7th council meeting Wayne Drealan spoke regarding the city's ongoing audit of city books related to the

discrepancies in fund balances included in the city's annual report. Drealan spent his career as a partner in a CPA firm in Minnesota before retiring and moving to the Black Hills to be closer to family. Drealan encouraged the council to maintain the current format of the city annual report as it presented the information in a way that easily understood. Casey-Petersen and Associates is currently conducting a review of the city's report and Drealan told the council that often outside organizations use their own format.

Drealan also expressed concern upon learning that the city's audit will be delayed two to three months, information gleaned after attending a recent Legal & Finance Committee meeting. "The explanation given was that the outside firm was only halfway through 2021 balancing the checkbook," he said. "My concern is they had to go all the way to January of 2021 which would indicate to me that the city's checkbooks and cash balances were not reconciled for the entire year."

Drealan reminded the council the Auditor General's municipal guidelines stipulate that a governing official should be copied on the monthly bank statements that the finance of-fice generates. He further stated that recommendations say that the governing official should then contact the finance office by the 10th of each month the ensure that accounts have been reconciled. Drealan also said that a city administrator could be an important part of making sure that procedures are being following with city finances.

Also addressing the council during public input was Stephanie Hobbs-Vetter who commented on the last council meeting that was attended by a standing room only crowd of many citizens wishing to show support for councilman Randy Sowers.

At that council meeting the council voted to drop any allegations of ethics violations on the part of councilman Sowers. "It's our responsibility to be well informed about the government and our obligation to speak up to keep the government responsive to the wishes of the people," she said. "In our last meeting of the city council you experienced the will of the people through their presence." Hobbs-Vetter, an area teacher, added that she would like to see current financial data for Janu-





ary 2022 received by the department heads, council, boards, and committees by the end of February because she believes that these are essential to the management of the City's fund. In reading from her statement, she encouraged all citizens to not be afraid to speak out in matters of good governance.

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Mayor Randy Schmidt Mayor offered his appreciation to the citizens of Belle Fourche for being involved in helping the community continue to move forward. He stated his belief that if a continued open line of communication is maintained the city will be better for it.

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#### Looking Back in Belle-

125 years ago February 20, 1897

The Earth Grows Smaller Mr. Phineas Fogg, the nervy and taciturn gentleman who had the fertile imagination of Jules Verne, made a great record by circling the globe in eighty days. For a time this was thought to be something bordering on the miraculous, but now Mr. Fogg, if he were living, breathing entity, would be forced to admit that his feat was small potatoes. This is a rapid age, and its rapidity is increasing every minute. The great Trans-Siberian railway is being pushed to completion at a rapid rate, and even now it is possible to use it in accomplishing the feat of knocking twenty or thirty days off Mr. Fogg's record. When that railroad is completed, it will be possible to circumnavigate the globe in thirty-three days. But there is no earthly reason why anyone should perform the feat. It would be expensive and would offer no return for the money spent, either in sight seeing or education. But the fact that it will soon be possible to perform the feat serves to call attention to the wonderful progress the world in making along some lines. This serves to make us feel a deeper interest in the well being of those who were practically unknown to us half a

#### 100 years ago February 16, 1922

Mortimer Selected Post-Master A letter from Congressman Williamson, under date of February 9, states that he has received from the post office department a list of eligibles which was certified by the civil service commission to the position of postmaster at Belle Fourche. the three highest standing in the following order: S. G. Moritmer, first; Nicholas P. Lang, second; A. W. Burkholder, third. As Mr. Mortimer stands first in the examination, Congressman Williamson has recommended him for the position, and his appointment will follow in a few days. Mr. Mortimer is one of the old-time residents of Belle Fourche, and has held many positions of trust. He has the honor of having been mayor of the city of Belle Fourche, served as state senator from the joint district of Butt and Meade counties, served two terms as county treasurer, and eight years as receiver of the Belle Fourche land office. He has always taken an active part in politics, as well as community work of various

kinds, and his appointment meets with the general approval of the people of Belle Fourche. Banks Allowed Two Per Cent

Washington, DC Feb. 14 -The full force of the administration is being exerted to stop the pernicious practice of some banks loaning money to agricultural and livestock interests at usurious rates. For some time, criticism of the War Finance Corporation and the Federal Reserve banks have been reaching the ears of the authorities at Washington. This criticism has been to the effect that the rates of interest on money advanced by the War Finance Corporation and money borrowed from Federal Reserve banks was so high that it was preventing agricultural sections of the country from obtaining money badly needed to tide them over the crisis.

#### 75 years ago February 20, 1947 Switching Yards In Belle

Fourche To Be Expanded Three 500-yard Additions to Side Tracks to Avoid Present Crossing Hazard I. W. Hamblin, local agent

of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, has been advised by Chicago officials that the present switching yards in Belle Fourche are to be expanded and work on such expansion will start as soon as labor, material and weather conditions will permit. The expansion will comprise the construction of three 500-yard extensions to the present side tracks. These additions will be made on the west end of the present switching yards, so that the present switching work over the street crossings within the city limits may be largely eliminated. After these additions are in, most of the train switching can be accomplished between the present railroad water tank and the railroad bridge over Belle Fourche river to the west of the city. Several months ago when a group of railroad officials were in Belle Fourche talking over railway matters with local shippers and business firms, they stated at that time that the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad was contemplating improved facilities for this city.

1946 Bond Sales In Butte County Totaled \$56,420 Redemption of E Bonds were Five Per Cent Less Than New Purchases Butte county citizens pur-

chased a total of \$56,420 in



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by Mary Buchholz

government bonds during the twelve months of 1946, it is revealed by a report from Rev. James Walsh, Saving Bonds chairman for this county, which he made to the U.S. Saving Bonds division state headquarters at Sioux Falls. Past year's redemptions of former E bonds were five per cent less than the new sales, indicating that Butte county citizens were buying more of these bonds than turning back old ones for payment. The state division office at Sioux Falls states that "South Dakota's Saving Bonds record for 1946 was the nation's best totaled \$29,251,736. The state report also revealed that South Dakota led all states in sale of E bonds in relation to payments to individuals.

#### 50 years ago February 18, 1972

Capacity Crowd At Wool Pool Annual Meeting

There was a standing room only crowd on hand Saturday for the 13th annual meeting of the Nation's Center Wool Pool at the Alzada Community Hall. Some 50 people were on hand for the evening's activities, which were highlighted by a wool spinning, carding, dyeing and knitting demonstration by Holly Mears of Laramie, Wyoming. Robert Meyer, Belle Fourche, secretary of the Nation's Center Wool Pool and wool handlers for the Farmers-Ranchers Wool Warehouse reported on wool activity. Meyer said the 1972 marked outlook appears to be one of renewed interest in all grades of wool, mostly due to the exportation of domestic wools and interest in local wools for domestic uses. He reported the foreign market has been one of dramatic changes, mostly upward, in the past several weeks. There have been good increases on the finer wool grades. Wool sales in Australia have been described as excited, with the Japanese as the principal buyers.

School Receives Mineral Lease Check At the 1971 legislature, Rep. G. F. Mortimer introduced house bill 699, which provided that the state's share of income from land owned by the United States, should be distributed to the counties in which the land is located, rather than statewide on a per pupil basis. Few expected the measure to get off the ground, but Mortimer was able to coax it thru committee and thru the house. Senator Alfred Burke guided the measure thru the Senate and it became law. This week the fruits of their labors arrived at the superintendent's office here - a check for \$19,099.30, representing the first payment on mineral leases in the school district. Another check for \$9000 is expected in returns from Taylor grazing lands. There will be another payment for mineral leases later in the year, but the amount has not been determined yet. Last year, when the money was distributed on a per student basis, the Belle Fourche district received \$1700 from mineral lease and \$3700 from Taylor Grazing payments. The Belle Fourche school district is not the only one affected by the measure, Newell is scheduled to receive \$7006.72 and \$3000 for Taylor Grazing.







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#### **Events Attract Tourism, Tourism Attracts Transformation!**

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples." This quote fits perfectly with last week's column discussing the critical nature of building an army of community members or

Mother Teresa once said,

volunteers to assure a community has the bandwidth to implement their transformation. Your community army is the foundation from which all transformation flows. Communities are like homes; one would never build the house upon the sand expecting it to last very long. You would build upon a firm foundation assuring the house is steady and strong for a long time. Building a community is no different, always build on a solid foundation. Once the foundation is in

place, what are one of the next steps? While an argument can be made for many various pathways, I would suggest tourism needs to be front and center. Why is tourism so important? Very simple, without new visitors to your community, regardless of the new businesses, startups, and rehab projects, you are simply sharing the same amount of dollars in the same-sized pie. When you grow tourism, you generate new dollars increasing the size of your community financial pie.

Over the years we have seen many events, here is a simple



tourism attracting event nearly any community can implement that grows both local and regional tourism, creating the dollars that flow with it. This event strategy by John Newby not only works in grow-

ing tourism, it enhances revenue, excites the locals, and pull a community together.

First, search your community for events and activities already in place. This can be a farmers market, 5K run/walk, auto show, holiday activities, community garage sales, and the list goes on. Work with organizations running these events and convince them they need to hold their events on the same day each month, let's say the first Saturday of each month. Next, hold all the events in the same location. I would suggest in your downtown area if you have adequate space. Your downtown needs to be the window into your community, this is a great opportunity to create that. What is the reason for having all the events in the same location? Very simple, these events by themselves may only draw a few hundred participants or visitors, but when holding the events together, you now have 4-5 events with their few hundred participants each in the same location at the same time which now grows to an event

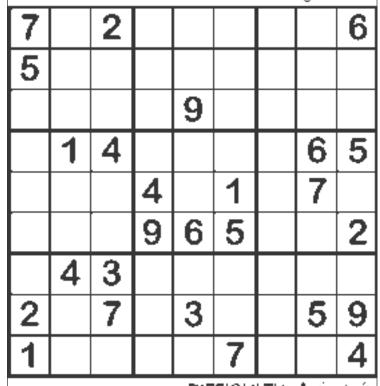
From there, canvass the community for even more events to add. Here are a few ideas. Have a local bar sponsor a monthly cornhole championship. Have the local media company promote a local garage sale where everyone sets up at the event. Have a local yoga class conducting their class at the event. Have the local medical facility promote a community-wide walk for health. Have a local bike club? What a better place to start and end a bikeride. Bring in local food trucks. Have the local pet home have an adopt-a-pet day. Bring in and create as many events as possible that become a subpart of the major event. Once you have 10-12 mini-events each bringing their few hundred participants to the same place, at the same time, you will have a couple thousand people or more.

This is where the fun begins. Events such as these attract outsiders. They also attract potential sponsors as potential sponsors are always looking for events that draw as many people as possible. Bring thousands together and you will attract sponsors. With thousands of participants and sponsors coupled with promotion from the media, you now have the needed ingredients to attract tourism as people travel for these larger types of events. Doing this you will begin to grow the community revenue base through tourism.

As with any initiative, the devil is always in the details. When implemented in the right way, taking the right steps, events will rejuvenate your community, grow tourism, and propel your community to greater heights. Lastly, as your community creates events, ask one question

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### BRED STOCK SPECIAL & LOOSE HORSE SALE

**FEBRUARY 17, 2022** 

**SALES TIMES** WEIGH UPS- 9:00 AM

#### BRED STOCK W/ HORSE SALE TO FOLLOW- 12:00 PM

**BRED HEIFERS** 

Running W Cattle-MT 150 blk bred hfrs

bred lbw blk, calve 3/1 for 20 days, shots, HR. poured, Scourboss 9, 40 vrs of Stevenson genetics, ultra sounded, calving ease, carcass & maternal genetic emphasis

> Hamilton's Inc-WY 63 blk bred hfrs

bred blk to Bar 69 Angus bulls, calve 3/10 for 30 days, HR Chuck & Mary Crago-SD

bred to proven LBW Blair bulls. calve 3/1 for 20 days, 1200# <u>Larry Ligocki-WY</u>

bred lbw blk, calve 3/12, HR, shots, poured PRODUCTIONS & DISPERSIONS Cottonwood Cattle Co-MT

22 blk bred hfrs

245 blk bred cows bred blk to Larson Ranch Angus & DeGrand Angus bulls, calve 3/25 for 50 days, HR, repro shots, Vitamin A. D & E. poured, custom mineral program.

20 yr. Al program, 80 hd Al sired bred hfrs, 52 hd coming 3's, 113 hd coming 4-7's, complete dispersion

Kyle & Shanna Kalhoff-WY 45 blk/bwf 4-5 y/o cows

bred char, calve 3/25 for 45 days, complete dispersion

STOCK COWS

Spur Land & Livestock-WY

50 blk mxd age cows bred blk, calve 5/20 for 60 days

Austin & Kari Risty-SD 40 blk mxd age cows

bred blk, calve 4/10 for 60 days, shots, mineral program

Larry Ligocki-WY 30 blk 4-6 y/o cows

bred blk, calve 3/12, HR, shots, poured SM & BM COWS

> Waterland Ranch-MT 35 blk/bwf SM/BM cows

bred blk, calve 4/10 for 45 days **Grubbing Hoe Ranch-SD** 

22 blk mostly BM cows bred blk, calve 5/1 for 60 days, poured

#### UPCOMING SALE SCHEDULE

February 24, 2022 .... FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL March 3, 2022 ...... BRED STOCK SPECIAL March 10, 2022 ...... FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL

March 17, 2022 ...... BRED STOCK SPECIAL

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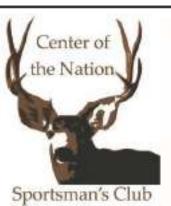
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#### **NIC Looks** to Future of **Splashpad**

**COLLEEN BRUNNER** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL - The Newell Improvement Corporation met on Saturday, February 12, along with Heather McCann and Brandon Norman of BH Custom Creates to discuss the current status and future of the NIC splashpad in North Park in Newell.

The group has continued through many difficulties in the past 20 months to find a solution to the ongoing problem of available plumbers to finish the underground work that needs to be completed before the pad itself can be installed. This was not an easy process.

"There's only a few companies that can handle this," said Norman, who is the general contractor for the project. He and McCann have been in contact with Plumbing Design and Installation of Rapid City about doing that work. Pretty much all plumbing companies that Norman had contacted either didn't have the skillset to accomplish the intricate work described in the schematics that came with the splashpad kit the group purchased.

In 2019 just prior to the onset of the Covid pandemic, the group had Bo's Landscaping of Belle Fourche onboard and that

Splash Pad C2

#### Newell Students Meet the Governor



Mr. Wyatt Vander Vorst's junior and senior history and government students from the Newell School District had the opportunity to go to Pierre on Thursday, Feb. 10th. Pictured: Back row: Nate Randolph & Peyton Carter. 4th row: Alanna Neely, Jaden Tennis, Quentin Brist, Brandon Shaykett, Kobe Shaykett, Tyrell Wood, Ethan Preslicka. 3rd row: Mr. Vander Vorst, Payten Johnston, Wyatt McGraw, Parker Lewis, Meika Howie, Taylor Delgado, Trinity Henry. 2nd row: Aliceson Stranberg, Colton Burtzlaff, Chase Vander Boom, Taylor Gaer, Paige Oakes, Asiah Schaefer. Front row: Governor Kristi Noem, Katie McTaggart, Kelsi Clements, Sophia Johnston, Devon Jones, Stacy Mahaffy, Reata Hays, Kaira Stomprud, Sabrina Harmon, and Lt. Governor Larry Rhoden - Courtesy photo

#### Yule Hosts Pre-Valentine's Dinner Fundraiser

**COLLEEN BRUNNER** 

news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NISLAND - A fancily decorated Nisland/Arpan fire hall was the scene of an RSVP event on Saturday, February 5. Bailee Yule, who has been an intern in the NAVFR department for the past several years, commandeered a portion of the truck bay area, as well as the kitchen, to host a fundraiser dinner, to help fund her senior trip to Minnesota.

The event included three meal options with an RSVP. They were a full steak, salmon, chicken or hamburger patty dinner, complete with a piece of pie to finish things off.

Yule comes as no stranger to providing good food, and her mother Noreen and dad Maynard, who manned the grill outside the hall, helped her prepare the food. She also had a little assistance from younger sister, Jenna, as well as her friend Parker Lewis.

"We served around 30 so far," Yule said about 7 p.m. The event began at 5 p.m. with those who RSVP'd coming at specific times. Meals included salad and rolls, baked potato, and the dessert, as well as the choice of



Bailee Yule, center standing, a senior at Newell High School, worked hard on Saturday night to raise funds for her senior trip with fellow classmates by serving a delicious three-course dinner at the Nisland/Arpan fire hall. From left: Oe Schock, Jaquie and Galen Birner, and JT Schock, enjoy their meals. - Brunner photo

meat.

"Around ten members of our (senior) class will be going to Duluth, Minnesota, the Twin Cities and, of course, the Mall of America," laughed this ambitious senior.

Yule has attended many training sessions with the volunteer crew of the NAVFR and plans to train as an EMT and potentially go even further in the

medical field. In the meantime, she served up a pretty good meal, regardless of which option was chosen. It was all done with a smile and a very polite attitude. If you could not attend you can send donations to Yule at 12658 Highway 212, Nisland SD 57762.

More on the Newell students visit to the Capitol on page C2.



His Birthday is coming, but he's not too old, Just stronger, wiser, and pretty bold. Irrigates and does the hay every year, Then in the fall get his deer. Likes to hunt, fish, and gather firewood, Works his job, the farm, and says all is good.

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#### Newell School Menu Feb. 16 - Feb. 25

Wednesday Feb. 16, 2022

Breakfast: PIZZA BAGEL OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: CHILI, CORNBREAD MUFFINS, STRAWBER-RIES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

**Thursday Feb. 17, 2022** 

Breakfast: BISCUITS AND GRAVY, SAUSAGE PATTY, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: FISH STICKS, ROASTED BROCCOLI, MIXED FRUIT, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Monday Feb. 21, 2022

Breakfast: No School

Lunch: No School

Tuesday Feb. 22, 2022

Breakfast: BREAKFAST BITES OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: BEEF FAJITAS, TORTILLAS, FAJITA VEGETA-BLES, PEACHES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Wednesday Feb. 23, 2022

Breakfast: WAFFLE STICKS, EGG PATTY, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: TATER TOT CASSEROLE, WHOLE GRAIN DIN-NER ROLL, PINEAPPLE, FRESH FRUIT, MILK



### THE NINE MILE FIRE DISTRICT **BOARD WILL MEET ON** THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17 AT 6 PM AT THE VALE FIRE DEPARTMENT. **ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD.**

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company had even started excavation of the pad's perimeter. A large tank was inserted underground that would eventually hold water for the recirculation process, a non-negotiable point with on the Memoranda of Understanding with the town of Newell.

Finally, pillars had been poured which would handle the weight of the individual splashpad components. And then, with the pandemic and the lack of available, capable plumbers, the progress ground to a stop.

Recently, with a commitment from PDI, the group has started to move forward with plans to wrap up the project, hopefully by spring. No actual completion date has been identified as PDI plans to come back with a simpler plan than was originally intended. It was learned that

the complicated blueprint was a bit more than the grant funding availability would allow.

The process is slow, but moving forward. Norman expects to hear back from PDI with the simplified plan and the other companies who had originally confirmed donation of services or supplies will now be contacted as the plan moves forward.

The next step is the new layout for the underground piping that will carry the water to the jets and back to the recirculation tank.

With the plan finally moving forward, and an endemic in sight, the NIC group is hoping things will begin to progress

"We just want to get finished what we started," said Chairman Betty Bruner, who along with board members Colleen Brunner, Cheryl McCann and Jessica Gatzke, are excited about the process.

#### **Newell Students Visit Capitol**

SABRINA HARMON Special to the Irrigator

Mr. Wyatt Vander Vorst junior and senior history and government students from the Newell School District had the opportunity to go to

Pierre on Thursday, 2-10-2022.

They left Newell at 5:00 a.m. and got into Pierre in time to sit in on some morning meetings, take a brief tour of the Capitol, and take some pictures

with Governor Noem and Lt. Governor Larry Rhoden (I think this was the most impressive part of the day). Then they headed to the Visitor Center where the Whatever It Takes Coalition hosted an educational luncheon with the local representatives and elected officials. During the luncheon, the representative and elected official took turns telling about what their jobs entailed and answering any questions the students had. Following the lunch, we took the time to sit in on the Senate afternoon session and then the House of Representatives session. This year we had the opportunity to tour the Governor's Mansion which was very educational and fun. Their tours guide and helpers were so

welcoming and friendly. The

Capitol building and Mansion are both beautifully constructed.

We are PROUD to live in South Dakota. What a fun day. I hope it leaves lasting memories. I believe it teaches them that they can be and

should be involved in what is happening with our Government. Quotes from a couple of students:

**Trinity Henry:** "This Pierre trip gives us the opportunity to get a look inside of how our

state government functions. I feel one of the most influential parts of the day was the hosted luncheon. Many of our state officials and others came to tell us students about their jobs, and gives us the opportunity to ask whatever questions we'd like".

Kaite McTaggart: "It was a very fun eventful day! We got to meet Governor Kristi Noem which was an amazing opportunity that most schools probably don't get the chance to do. Thankful for having this opportunity".

Sophia Johnston: "I'm so glad we had the opportunity to do this. I had lots of fun and getting to meet and take pictures with our first woman governor was awesome" Governor Noem even let us take some personal selfies with her".

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Must be 18 years or older to participate. Must be a South Dakota resident.

If you have events for the calendar, please contact Colleen Brunner at colleenkbrunner@gmail. com.

Feb. 17: GBB/BBB at home vs. Dupree. 3 p.m.

Feb. 18: Deadline for Butte Electric senior scholarship by members children. A total of five,

\$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to recognize and encourage the achievements of the members and their dependent children. Find an application here: www.butteelectric. com/scholarships.

Feb. 19: HSWR tournament at RC. 9 a.m.; BBB vs Wall at home, 4:30 p.m.

Feb. 21-25: FFA week

Feb. 21: MSBBB vs Harding County, away, 5:30; GBB 2st Rd Region @ high seed, 6

Feb. 22: GBB 1/4 Finals Regions @ high seed 6 p.m.

Feb. 24: HSWR-State Tournament @ SF; GBB Region Semi-Finals @ TBS 6 p.m. Feb. 25: HSWR State Tournament @ SF

Feb. 26: HSWR State

Tournament @ SF; Community Calendar MSBBB @ Faith Tournament, 9 a.m. Feb. 27: Vale Community Club Pancake

> Feb. 28: BBB-2st Rd. Regions @ High Seed, 6 p.m.

supper fundraiser, 5-7 p.m. Pancakes, eggs,

Mar. 1: NVN-Feeding SD food distribution at

Mar. 1: Chili Feed and Silent Auction for Bar-5 p.m. Dave recently lost his home and all belongings in a house fire. If you would like to donate to the silent or live auction,

Dave Nuenke at High Plains Restaurant and contact Tara at the Belle Fourche Irrigation District office or just drop items off there or at the High Plains Restaurant.

#### **Newell Students Draw Attention to Science Skills**

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NVN Center. 1 p.m.

**BETTY BRUNER** 

news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL-Newell Middle School students displayed their efforts in seeking the answers to some of their science questions during the Annual Science Fair

held February 8 and 9. Displays varied from using vinegar to filtering water and onto what could be in a person's lungs. Ideas showed what these students were curious about and gave them the opportunity to

discover answers.

Sponsors of this year's event were Prairie Industries, Larry and Kandee Snoozy. Butte Conservation District, and Leber





(Left) Kendra Johnson took top honors at the science fair as Grand Champion and trophy winner in Botany. Her entry, Swept Away, explored erosion of clay and silt. She also received the Butte Conservation award. (Right) Jenna Yule was Reserve Champion with her Behavioral Social Science entry. She studied the effects of various ink colors and how positive they were on memory. - Betty Bruner photos





(Left) Jessica Raisanen was part of the Eighth Grade Business Fair. Her project was making and selling candy airplanes and trains. Mrs. Shaykett's Language Arts classes were part of the Business Fair. The students responsibility was to keep track of costs, income, and to give 10 percent back to the school. (Right) Mesa Mangis received the trophy in Chemistry with Boiled Water vs Filtered Water.. - Betty Bruner photos

#### 2022 Newell Science Fair Results

Grand Champion winner was Kendra Johnson and the Reserve Winner was Jenna Yule. Honorable Mentions: Kaitlynn Shaykett: Biology Neha Raisanen: Botany Macey Wendt: Behavioral/Social Sciences Bodie Vanderboom: Physics Jasper Gardner: Physics

Division Winners: K-2: Isen Kitzan, Jerome Fergen Physics: Malachi Whitacre Biology: Nevada Donahey Animal Science: Bethany Mahaffy Chemistry: Mesa Mangis Behavioral Social Science and Reserve Champion: Jenna Yule Botany Winner.

Butte Conservation Winner, and Grand Champion: Kendra Johnson

First Place Winners were: Emma Barden, Pollution in the Arctic Angela Derschan, Stuck on Ice; Kate High, Leatherwork; Alainana Sackett, White Vinegar vs Apple Cider Vinegar; Jorey Clements, Snapity Snap; MKenzie McTaggert, Get Served; Kent Wilen, Carbs Ignite; Joe Eaton, Silence; Rhyden Thompson, Hot Wheel; Tasper Gardner; Sorley Franklin, Horse Feel?; Lane Wilen, Fast Heart; Macey Wendt, Masks; Konor Arcoren, You're Slow; Natalie Yates, Running for First Place; Ashley Beane, Dogs in Command; Paul Raisanen, Coffee Beans; Neha Raisanen, Alfalfa Germination; Orrin Youngberg, Electrolytes?

Second Place Winners: Jacey Larson, What Sticks in the Lungs; Kiley Link, Growing Crystals; Keion Freytag, Flying Football; Jace Retzlaff, Cleat Fest; Brilee Heath, How Spikes Give You Traction; Logan Sterrett, How to Hayden Johnston, Twin Talk; Nakayla Kleinheksel, Puppy Colors

### Belle Fourche Reacon

#### **BETTY OLSON**

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It was warm and windy this week, with chilly weather and some rain and snow Thursday night that covered the ground Friday morning. Taz flew home from the rodeo in Fort Worth to Dickinson on Monday and Amanda went up there to bring him home. Reub and I went to

Scranton and Het-

to get stuff for our

tinger that afternoon

remodeling project. The Slim Buttes ladies quilted Tuesday morning and had Ladies Aid that afternoon. Linda Mohagen, Patsy Wilkinson and I started quilting early and Teddi Carlson, Norma Tenold and Amy Johnson joined us for Ladies Aid that afternoon. Lori Besler wasn't able to attend because she had a Grand Electric meeting in Bison. Taz went to a bull sale that day but got home early and I got to play hide and seek with him and the kids after dark. That was fun!

Taz and Casey spent most of Wednesday working on the leaky roof on the old lambing shed while Reub spent the day

working on the floor in the hallway. The hay grinder came that day, which was good because there was less wind that day then the rest of the week. Taz came to help Reub with the floor after they finished the roof. Amanda went to volley-

> ball in Buffalo that evening and Taz kept the little people. Dennis Nash finally got to have his back surgery last week and since I was always calling to check on him, he called me

Wednesday morning to let us know that he is doing well after his surgery.

The wind was howling on Thursday when I washed clothes and hung them outside. It was blowing so hard that it was hard to keep things on the clothesline and the 55mph wind was even blowing clothespins off the line that weren't even clipped on anything. Casey and Taz spent most of the day setting up pens for calving. Reub and I spent most of Thursday in the house. He was going through a whole bunch of Seab Ledbetter's old letters Seab had written to Reub's father, Buck Olson.

**Grand River Roundup** 

Those were so much fun that I started rereading the booklet of Ledbetter history that Reub's mother, Amy Olson, typed up from Seab's notes he wrote to her. Seab didn't have much education but Amy knew him well and was able to correct his spelling and type up what he wrote. Amy was a good artist and she drew pictures of the subjects he was talking about. Maurice Brown read what Amy wrote and he turned it into a nice booklet "Last Riders of the Great Northern Range in North of the Black Hills" by Seaborn E. Ledbetter using the pictures that Amy had drawn.

Seab was born in 1887 in Texas on the Brazos River near Fort Griffin and came to South Dakota in 1906 to join his brother, George Ledbetter, on the ML Bar Camp on the South Grand River west of our ranch on what is now part of Doug Doll's Hackamore Ranch. Seab went to work for Hugh Moulton, the owner of the Bar H Slim Buttes Sheep and Cattle Company. Hugh Moulton later moved to Cleveland, Ohio and in 1959, Seab took a train from South Dakota to visit his old friend in Ohio. I didn't get to know Seab until after Reub and

I were married and Seab was living in the Don Pratt Manor in Belle Fourche. He was a fun old guy and I sure wish I could have known him longer.

Casey and Missy left Friday afternoon for the wrestling tournament in Wall on Saturday. Taz spent the day setting up calving pens for when we start calving next month. Reub spent the afternoon working on income tax and I baked brownies for the Cracker Barrel in Buffalo Saturday afternoon.

There was a good turnout for the Cracker Barrel on Saturday. The three legislators from District 28 were all there. Sen. Ryan Maher, Rep. Sam Marty and Rep. Oren Lesmeister took questions from the audience and told us what was happening in Pierre. Former Rep. Tom Brunner and Neal Pinnow are both running for the House in district 28B because Rep. Marty is termed out and they both came. I got a call from Marty Jackley, who is running for Attorney General again, letting us know that he was unable to attend. Bruce Whalen is running for US Senate and he couldn't come, but some folks representing him were there and they also brought nominating petitions for Taffy Howard who is running for the US House of Representatives.

Amanda took Taz to the airport early Sunday morning to fly to San Antonio, Texas. Instead of watching the Super Bowl

Sunday afternoon, Reub and I joined a lot of other people to watch the Waddington Brothers' concert at the Perkins County Fair Building in Bison that evening. Seth, Ethan, Jacob and Job are talented musicians and our old friend and their father Caleb Waddington worked the sound board!

I'll leave you with this: The definition of the word Conundrum is: something that is puzzling or confusing.

Here are six Conundrums of Socialism in the United States of America:

1. America is capitalist and greedy - yet half of the population is subsidized.

2. Half of the population is subsidized - yet they think they are victims. 3. They think they are victims

- yet their representatives run the government. 4. Their representatives run the

government - yet the poor keep getting poorer. 5. The poor keep getting poorer - yet they have things that

people in other countries only dream about. 6. They have things that

people in other countries only dream about, yet they want America to be more like those other countries.

Think about it! And that, my friends, pretty much sums up the USA in the 21st Century. Makes you wonder who is doing the math.



#### Then and Now in Newell

#### "Looking Forward to our Past"

February 15, 1912 The first anniversary of Newell was celebrated in the Woodworth Building Thursday evening. The house was packed and the audience showed their appreciation of the program by their hearty applause. The program consted of talks, readings, solos, instrumental music, a quartette and a whistling solo by Mr. Wheeler. The guessing contest as to the population of Newell in 6 years was won by Miss McLaughlin, a guess of 2,208. An excellent luncheon was served at the close of the program.

Sidewalks are being laid on the north side of Third Street to Dartmouth Avenue then north to the Primary School building. A much needed luxury just now.

February 9, 1922 Hunters are warned by the government that January 31 was the last day of open season, under the federal law, for hunting wild ducks, geese, coots, gallinules and Wilson snipe or Jack snipe. Don't confuse coots with cooties. The government doesn't protect cooties and they may be hunted anytime.

The city council was in session Monday evening. Besides routine business the advisability of adapting the proposed commission form of government was discussed, also the most suitable location for the Tourist Park, but no definite action was taken at this time. Plans were put underway for the proper observance of Arbor Day.

A crowd of some 20 young folks and their parents of Newell had a good time at a party last Saturday evening at the Horse Creek Community Hall and school house. The

old folks play cards while the younger generation danced and everybody did full justice to the bountiful lunch.

February 18, 1932 Archer B. Gilfillan, South Dakota's sheepherder author found that all of his bedding and clothing had been stolen when he returned to his sheep wagon after having been at the home ranch north of Buffalo during recent storms. None of the canned goods and provisions was stolen. A year or so ago the wagon and its contents were destroyed by fire. Gilfillan, author of "Sheep" and essays printed in various magazines, recently completed a lecture tour of the

Ernie Edwards is staying at the Charles Carlson home after seeking medical attention in the Hot Springs hospital, where he received treatment for his injuries received when he was pushed against the barn by a cow recently

A surprise party was tendered at Mr. & Mrs. Edward McLennan's home on Tuesday evening of last week, when a number of friends dropped in on them. Cards were played at 4 tables, after which delicious refreshments were served. During the evening a serious fire was narrowly averted when Mrs. McLennan discovered the house on fire. Those present began carrying water and the blaze was extinguished without much damage.

February 12, 1942

Preliminary surveys are being made for a proposed 4-lane hard surfaced highway between Fort Meade and the government's big air base camp east of Rapid City. The proposals calls for a

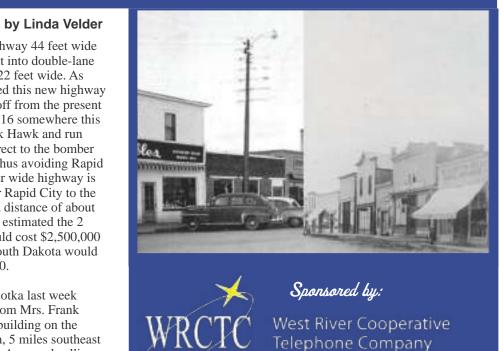
concrete highway 44 feet wide

possibly split into double-lane routes each 22 feet wide. As now projected this new highway would take off from the present highway 14-16 somewhere this side of Black Hawk and run southeast direct to the bomber base camp, thus avoiding Rapid City. Another wide highway is proposed for Rapid City to the Army base a distance of about 7 miles. It is estimated the 2 projects would cost \$2,500,000 for which South Dakota would pay \$440,000.

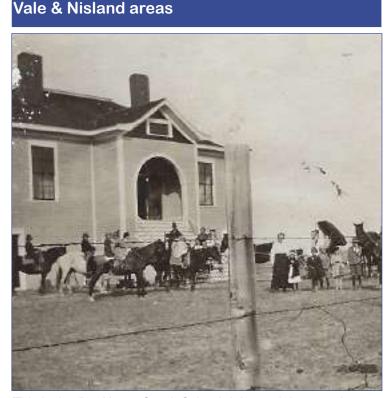
Einard Muotka last week purchased from Mrs. Frank Walters the building on the Walters farm, 5 miles southeast of town. The 4-room dwelling house, built only 4 or 5 years ago, will shortly be moved to the lots owned by Mr. Muotka on Second Street, between Adolph Johnson and Frank Martin properties. Mr. Muotka says he plans to improve and modernize the house and will probably make his home there. The Walters' barn also practically new, is to be moved to the Charles Kusima place.

February 14, 1952 Six or seven potential chicken thieves were shot by Walter C. Milberg of the Horse Creek community Thursday afternoon. The shooting occurred when he uncovered a nest of culprits in a haystack from which he was loading. Walt immediately wants after his .22 rifle, would have killed all except he couldn't run, he reported, as fast as the seventh coon.

The interior of the Newell City Hall and Fire Department have just been attractively redecorated and present a fine appearance. The interior ceiling and upper walls were painted



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This is the first Horse Creek School. It burned down and a brick building erected in its place

in light green, with the lower wall paneling being varnished light color so that the entire interior brighter than formerly. Earl Jones and Z.W. Mayhan have been doing the face-lifting, assisted by city Foreman Lyman Bruce.

February 15, 1962 A record of 38 whooping cranes has appeared at the Aransas National Park Wildlife Refuge in Texas. Official record keeping began in 1938, when it was feared that the big white cranes would become extinct. At that time there were only 14 in the wild. The present flock of whooping cranes includes 33 adults and 5 young in the wild. No cranes have been seen in this area for many years.

Mr. & Mrs. Orrin Tysdal, Marcus Erickson, Mrs. Anna Schmele and Garnet Schmele, all of Newell and Mr. & Mrs. Henry Noziska and sons of Belle Fourche were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. & Mrs. John Schienbein in Rapid City.

This week Gus Driscoll, State Game Warden notified throughout the area that the dumping of refuse in or along the banks of rivers and creeks is unlawful. On a trip to the Diversion Dam northeast of Belle Fourche will give an example of the refuse that collects there and must be removed. He reminds, the state legislature in 1959 passed a law that has been in effect since July 1, 1959, "It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit garbage, refuse, ashes, bottles, tin cans or any other forms of litter in any public waters of this state or any beaches or shore line."



Vintage photo of duck hunting when in season in Butte County. No snipes!

### LEGISLATIVE CRACKER BARREL

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26 AT 9:30 A.M.

**NEWELL CITY HALL** 

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Legislative Cracker Barrels are held during the Annual SD Legislative Sessions (January-March) each year. This is an opportunity for community members to hear from their legislators and ask questions concerning the issue brought before them.

To learn more about your legislators and bills being reviewed go to http://sdlegislature.gov

Refreshments will be served

This is co-sponsored by the Whatever It Takes Coalition and the Town of Newell

#### **Newell Hosts 9-team Round Robin**

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NEWELL – The Newell Irrigator wrestling squad hosted a 9-team Round Robin on Tuesday, February 1, in Austin Auditorium. Teams, including Newell, came from Hulett, Upton, and Sundance, Wyo., as well as Lead, Faith, Buffalo, Philip and St. Thomas More in Rapid City. The event began at 5 p.m. with wrestling commencing on

Newell's matmen had some success and a few disappointments. Colten Niles started things off for Newell at the 285-pound class against Brunnet of Philip. He lost by P in 53 seconds. Next up was Charlie Clements at 106 against Vrana of Newcastle, with a loss by pin in the third period. Bodie VanDerBoom took on Butler of Lemmon at 106 and lost by pin in 29.7 seconds.

Joe Eaton wrestled Peterson of

Philip at 113 pounds, and lost

by decision by three points. Abraim Heinert lost to Mengle of Philip by pin in 28.1 seconds.

Chase VanDerBoom took his first match against Renner of Lead at 145-pounds by pinning him in 1:34 seconds. Gavin Tesch lost by pin in 1:02 to Prell of Newcastle at 160 pounds.

Niles was up again against Reilly of Hulett, again at 285. He once more lost by pin in 1:45. Clements was pitted against Millard at 106 and lost by pin int he third period with 24 seconds remaining on the

Bodie VanDerBoom was taken down at 106 by Smith in a 6-2 decision in his next time on the mat. Heniert went up against Janke of Lead and lost by fall in 1:50.

Tesch had success in his next attempt on the mat, this time against Buchholz of Lead. He pinned his 160-pound opponent in the second period with 1:13 left on the clock.

Niles succumbed to Schopp of Lemmon at 285-pounds, going three full periods and ending up with a 7-2 loss by decision.

Clements finally found a win by decision, 10-2 against Cordes of Philip at 106 pounds. Bodie VanDerBoom took on a tough Mackaben of Faith at 106 and lost by pin in 1:45. Eaton's next chance came against Anderson of Lemmon at 113 pounds. He lost by pin with 41.7 seconds left in the second period.

Chase VanDerBoom was once more successful as he was pitted against Davis at 145 pounds. He pinned his opponent inn 3:04 seconds.

Niles struggled again with his final match against Flander of Sundance and was pinned in 3:46 seconds.

The final opportunity for Tesch came against Rusch of St. Thomas More at 160 pounds. He pinned Rusch in 56 seconds for another win.



Gavin Tesch pins Buchholz of Lead/Deadwood during the Newell Round Robin. - Brunner photo

#### Solutions to Puzzles on B7

PREVIOUS SOLUTION. Angel, rinol restrained, is recuency intredictful to us than the injury that provokes 1. — Serieda.





Chase VanDerBoom got his 200th win in his wrestling career this past weekend. He is off to districts next week. - Brunner photo

### Contest Held for **New Mat Design**

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NEWELL – Anyone who has visited Austin Auditorium recently for any event has probably seen the condition of the protective stage mat and how it has continued to deteriorate. The school has determined it is time for a replacement.

And they've also decided that they need a little help from the community.

"We decided to make a competition out of it," said Principal Steve Schoenfish of the endeavor. Those with a little artistic skill have the opportunity to win a free, life-long pass to all Irrigator activities



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