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Plans For Hotel & Convention **Center Still On**

After a little more than a year, plans to construct a new hotel and convention center in Belle Fourche appear to be moving forward again, pending approval from the Butte County Commissioners on the sale of about 14 acres of land west of Summit St. along the Hwy. 85 corridor.

Doug Peterson, of DA Peterson Company LLC, announced plans last February to bring a 70-room hotel and 300-seat convention center to Belle Fourche at the intersection of Hwy. 85 and 34, across from Runnings. But before construction could begin, the partners in the project who owned the land, decided to pull out with no explanation given, leaving Peterson to search for a new

While still committed to building in Belle Fourche, finding a suitable location has been a challenge. But the new property, if approved, may be a better location than the original. "Up until this point finding property in Belle Fourche has been a problem," Peterson told the Beacon. "It's all about the size, not just putting a hotel structure up somewhere.'

Peterson's development company has built similar hotels and convention centers in North Dakota and Wyoming but the Belle Fourche project would be the company's largest to date. "With convention facilities we like lots of acreage - lots of parking," he said. "Up until this point we've been close and hopefully soon the plans to build will come to fruition."

County commissioners opened bids on the two lots in questions on Feb. 15th at the Butte County Courthouse. There were two entities who 6th Avenue Crossing Complete-Road Open



The Hay Creek Crossing on 6th Avenue north of the Fire Hall was completed and the road has been reopened to traffic. The crossing has been closed since 2020. Rapid City based Lind Exco Inc. replaced the old crossing for a BF City Council approved bid of \$229,059.69. Beacon Photo

submitted proposals and Peterson was the highest bidder, submitting a proposal of \$255,900 for the two lots. The other submission was from Hilt Homes who's bid was about \$1,000 per acre. The commission will further review the proposal and give its decision on acceptance of the bid in March.

If commissioners give their approval and the sale goes through Peterson says he will next move to find partners in the \$10 million project. "We would hope to move as soon as possible," he said.

tion center have seen one major change, made possible due to the proposed 14-acre site.

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The blueprints for the conven-

liason. **Convention Center B5** HB1094 states, in part, that

> permitting the medical use of cannabis by students. This would also prohibit the

school from dispensing cannabis for medical purposes to students on school property.

The bill, co-sponsored by ford) and Rep. Fred Deutsch (R-Florence) was voted out of the House Health and Human Services committee without recommendation by a vote of

BFSD Supports Legislation Removing Medical Cannabis Administration from School Grounds

BEACON STAFF

Belle Fourche School Superintendent Dr. Steve Willard told the school board the district is in support of legislation working its way through the SD House that would remove the administration of medical cannabis for public and non-public school students from the school grounds to medical facilities.

It was a position that was supported by School Board Member Wayne Gilbert who acts as the board's legislative

a public-school or non-public school student who is a cardholder may not engage in the medical use of cannabis on school grounds, in a school vehicle, or during a school-related event or activity located off school grounds, unless the school district adopts a policy

Rep. Rhonda Milstead (R-Hart-7-to-5 after failing to pass on a

tie vote to send the bill to the floor with a recommendation to

On January 31st Milstead moved to place the bill for a House vote but that motion also failed on a tie vote 32-to-32. District 28B Rep. Sam Marty (R-Prairie City) voted to move the bill to a vote while Dist. 29 Rep. Dean Wink (R-Howes) and House Majority Whip Rep. Kirk Chaffee (R-Whitewood) voted against.

The bill is currently awaiting another attempt to move to the floor for a vote.

Currently the Belle Fourche School District is looking at its liability exposures related to complying with mandates given by voters following the 2020 elections. Federal law considers marijuana a controlled substance while South Dakota voters approved its use for medicinal purposes through Initiated Measure 26 in November of 2020.

The recreational use provisions approved by voters through Constitutional Amendment A was struck down by the State Supreme Court last December for being too broad to the be valid under South Dakota's electoral standards.

How medical marijuana would be dispensed to students is still being worked out with a target date for implementation of any new laws prior to the start of the 2022-23 school year.

That leaves the district, and districts across the state, having

Faith Goehring Appointed to

to navigate the tricky issues of liability since Federal and state laws are in conflict.

The district has been working, in conjunction with the Association of South Dakota School Boards (ASDSB), to put policies in place including insurance protection. Willard says a local Belle Fourche carrier has said they would help the district but with one exception.

"(They) said they would represent the district if sued for not following Federal law but they would not represent the district for not following state law," Willert told the board. "they recommend we follow the state law concerning this."

Willert said if HB1094 becomes law it would have the potential to remove the school from having anything to do with medical cannabis. He said the guidance they have received is that before any further policy rules are made the district is advised to wait and see what happens to

the legislation. "It would be a good thing if that bill passed," Gilbert told the Board.

The ASDSB decided last year on a sample policy that stated that school officials are not able to administer the cannabis treatments to students. Instead. a state-registered caregiver for the student must come to the school to provide the cannabis, which can only come in the form of edibles, oils, creams. It

cannot be vaped or smoked. School Marijuana B5

Commissioners Take Note of Citizens' Concerns

BETTY BRUNER

DA Peterson Company LLC is waiting for county commis-

sion approval to locate a new hotel and convention center on

14-acres just west of Summit Ave. in Belle Fourche along the

Hwy 85 corridor. Originally the structure was to be built at the

busy intersection of Hwy 85 and 34. The new site will allow

development in the near term. Beacon Photo

more room and is in an area that may see further significant

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BELLE FOURCHE-The Butte County Commissioners moved the regular Tuesday evening meeting from the Commissioners Room upstairs to the court room at the County Courthouse because of the number of concerned citizens wanting to be involved with the process of the county's involvement in medical cannabis. The commissioners allowed several attendees to speak on the impacts they think will arise from medical cannabis cultivation facilities.

Buck Casey was first to address the commissioners. He asked if they would clarify SDCL ch. 34-20G that empowers municipal and county governments to regulate medical

cannabis. Was there any attempt to repeal or amend 34-20G at the county level?" he asked. Commission Chairperson Kim Richards answered him by stating that SDCL 34-20G is state statute and cannot be changed by county government. Deputy State's Attorney LeEllen Mc-Cartney reaffirmed Richards' statement, continuing to add that only state legislators have the ability to change the law.

Richards confirmed that the

public had said that as an ag community, there should be an opportunity for people to make a living by growing the medical cannabis. Again, he affirmed that the citizens of South Dakota had approved the legal growing and distribution

of medical cannabis by vote. Concerns were voiced by Casey and others about establishing the location of growing medical cannabis. They have trepidations that the cannabis can be grown outside of a building and possible cross-pollination could take place or that water-ways could be affected. Travis Ismay said that he had

Faith Goehring has been recognized and appointed by the Governor's Office to the Behavioral Health Advisory

Council (BHAC). The BHAC advises the Department of Social Services, Division of Behavioral Health with the planning, coordination and implementation of the state's behavioral health services plan pursuant to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Prevention and Treatment Block Grants under the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

The Advisory Council advocates on behalf of persons served to ensure their highest attainable degree of independence, productivity, community integration and quality of community based mental health and substance use disorder services.

Faith has the opportunity to service until October 30, 2024. Faith also serves on the Disability Rights South Dakota's (DRSD) Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness (PAIMI) Program's Advisory Council.

Behavorial Advisory Council DRSD is a non-profit legal services agency dedicated to protecting and advocating for the rights and inclusion of South Dakotans with disabilities. As a member of the PAIMI Program Advisory Council, Faith provides independent advice and recommendations to DRSD's PAIMI Program and works jointly with the DRSD governing authority to develop policies and priorities for the PAIMI Program.



Faith Goehring



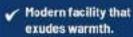
The regular Butte County Commission meeting was moved upstairs to the County Courtroom because of the overflow of citizens desiring to hear and be heard at the meeting.

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Joseph Keil 70

Joseph David Keil was born April 6, 1951 in Belle Fourche. He was the son of David and Kathleen (Hayes) Keil. Joseph graduated from the Newell High School in 1970, and attended college in Spearfish and Springfield, South Dakota. After graduating from college, Joseph moved to Minneapolis, where he lived for several years. After a while the Minnesota winters made it desirable for Joe to find a warmer climate and he eventually moved to California. For several years he lived there and worked as a Computer Systems Administrator for the City of Burbank.

Obituaries

Eventually Joseph retired and came back home to Belle Fourche, where he helped care for his mom for

Joseph was a quiet, intelligent, and a private man.

He was loved so much by his family. And he will be greatly missed.

Joseph died at his home in Belle Fourche with his loving brother and sister-in-law by his side. He was almost 71 years old. He is survived by his brothers, Mike (LindaJo) Keil of Belle Fourche, Pat Keil of Rapid City; sister, Kathy Webb of Rapid City; and 2 nieces, Gina Lax of Newcastle

WY, and Amy Webb of Rapid City. Joseph was preceded in death by his grandparents; parents; and his nephew, Dustin Keil.

A graveside service was held Saturday, February 19th, 2022 at Pine Slope Cemetery in Belle Fourche. Arrangements are with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Leverington Funeral Home of the Belle Fourche.

Northern Hills

McDill 66 Doreen L.

Doreen Lee Larive was born December 16, 1955 in Hot Springs, SD. She was the daughter of Curtis and Kathleen (Majesky) Larive. Doreen was united in marriage to John McDill, and they were married several years until his death in 1999.

Doreen lived in Spearfish and for the past year, she lived in Belle Fourche, where she died, Thursday, Feb-

Services will be held in Hot Springs this summer. Doreen is survived by her daughters, Shelby Leeuw of Dalton, Montana, and Chitra McDill of Rapid City. Arrangements are with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche.

Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills

Another Perspective

watches or clocks.

correct.

to where the date and day are both

But I do know that balance,-

adjustment, and good timing are

also three terms that need to come

ment this past week. I was to have

January ministering in conferences

and churches throughout Australia

and New Zealand major cities and

The trip had been scheduled for months. I was committed. But something was wrong. The whole thing tied into the same season last spring when I made a whirlwind set of bad decisions. I have since

confessed it all to the Lord, and have marveled at how He has

compensated, redeemed, covered,

But this particular trip, this

Two weeks ago, while I was up

He didn't slap me in the face

My sense of unsettledness. I knew something was wrong.

Father, I prayed urgently, stirred

I didn't hear a voice, but I did

receive a clear, concise impression.

I did. I began then and contin-

ued for seven days. I felt freed to

firm confirmation as to whether I

ask the heavenly Father to give me

A message from Headquarters. Pray about the Australia trip.

the matter?

spent the whole month of next

I made a major calendar adjust-

three clock-talk terms. They're

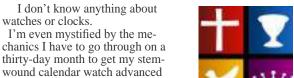
to mind as we are praying.

many conferences.

and forgiven.

This Another Perspective is from the archives of Foursquare pastor Dr. Jack Hayford

"Divine Adjustments"



should go or not.

The events of the days which followed are thrilling to review: (1) the peace in

knowing He was going to set the balance and establish timing for the trip; (2) the joy in knowing He never abandons us to our own imperfect planning, but will signal us in time; and (3) the confidence that He would take care of things on both ends. If I went in January, He'd cover all matters at home base in California. If I stayed

istry needed in Australia and New Zealand.

When the seven days were past, a powerful and precious thing took place. The Lord sent the answer. It was clear. It was sure. It was as finely tuned and perfectly understandable as the time on the face of a clock. The precision of the message brought the confidence you would have in setting your watch by a giant steeple timepiece maintained by a master clockmaker.

Looking back on it all this morning, my heart is filled with praise and thanksgiving to the God who keeps us in time who keeps us adjusted to His will and His way for us.



of the tv screen, click on the arrow and the funeral can be viewed in its entirety.



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.

Prayer for the Day: Today with Jesus Lord, Jesus, today is Your day, and I want Your will to be done. So, whatever happens, hold my hand and let s face it together. Amen.

Romans 12:9-10

_Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.



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The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center will hold a reception for its latest mini exhibit, entitled "Hang on to Your Hat," on Saturday, February 26 from 9-5 p.m.

The reception will feature special themed cupcakes and

beverages. There is no admission charge to attend.

The exhibit is about the history and culture of hats and will feature storyboards, photos, a touchscreen quiz, books to read, a take-home workbook - and a variety of vintage and modern dress, casual and work hats.

Like other mini exhibits, "Hang on to Your Hat" will be in the Visitor Center. It will be in place until April 22. A rack card about 2022 mini and temporary exhibits is available at the museum or can be mailed to you if you wish; call 605-723-1200. The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 5th Avenue in Belle Fourche.

BFMS Students of Month

BELLE FOURCHE - Belle Fourche Middle School students of the month for January 2022 were recognized on Monday, Feb. 14th at the school district's regular monthly board meeting.

The middle school teachers nominate the students and two are chosen from each grade, fifth through eighth. They are chosen based on leadership qualities, ac-

ademic achievement, excellence in behavior, and good citizenship. The students are presented with a certificate of recognition and a personalized school t-shirt. For the 5th grade Avery Coyle and Cameron DuBray were honored. The 5th grade award was sponsored by Stereos 'N Stuff, Radio Shack. In the 6th grade Nevaeh Perschbacher and Daven Williamson were presented certificates. Pete's Clothing sponsored the 6th grade award. In the 7th grade, Madison Dalton and Aurora Voyles were recognized. Twisted Apparel sponsored the 7th grade award. In the 8th grade Isabel Svetcoff and Jaydin Pimentel were honored as students of the month. Nehl Dental sponsored the 8th grade award.



Belle Fourche Middle School students of the month for January 2022. From left: Madison Dalton (7th grade); Nevaeh Perschbacher (6th grade); Daven Williamson (6th grade); Aurora Voyles (7th grade); Jaydin Pimentel (8th grade); Avery Coyle (5th grade) and Isabel Svetcoff (8th grade). Not pictured - Cameron DuBray (5th grade). Beacon Photo

Rebel Rose Holds Grand Opening!



Brittney Miller & Bryr Nelson owners/proprietors of the Rebel Rose, 615 State Street, held a Grand Opening February 19th. The boutique specializes in women's clothing, accessories, & much more. They can be found on social medial @rebelrosesd. They are open Tuesday to Saturday from 10:00-6:00; & Sunday 10:00-2:00. Beacon photo

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Dustin Kolb FFA Sentinel



Dustin Kolb ELIJAH POMRENKE FFA Reporter

Meet the 2021-2022 Belle Fourche FFA sentinel Dustin Kolb. Dustin's parents are DeLyssa Stadheim and Dave Kolb, he also has three sisters, Deaundra Muller, Shawna Kolb, and Chantel Kolb.

This is the first year that Dustin has served as a chapter officer, although he has been an active member for multiple years.

He went to his first FFA meeting because those in attendance were offered free pizza. He decided, however, that FFA was a great opportunity and a quality organization and joined as a result. Dustin is a firm believer that FFA gives experiences that you

wouldn't normally get in school. Some of the opportunities Dustin has pursued include leadership and career development events. Milk quality, Ag communications, Ag broadcasting, horse judging, livestock judging, CCM, and parliamentary procedure are some of the events that Dustin has competed in.

Notably, Dustin Kolb participated on the parliamentary procedure team that won state and is going to Nationals next year. Another achievement Dustin has is his position of District 5 Treasurer. However, his favorite memory in FFA was not winning state or acquiring a district office, but instead simply going ice skating with his chapter in Rapid City.

When Dustin is not working with FFA he is very busy in other community organizations and extracurricular activities including the National Honor Society, Youth Leadership team, the spring musical, Cross Country, and Rodeo.

Dustin always wants to remind members of FFA to always "Seize The Day". Dustin is unsure what career he wants to pursue in the future but is thinking about going to tech school.





Thomas McCoy Wins 138# Championship at 4A Regional Wrestling Tournament

Thomas McCoy continued his winning ways on the wrestling mat as he put together another string of victories on his way to winning the 138 pound weight class at the Region 4A wrestling Tournament in Douglas this past weekend.

Thomas, 37-6 on the year, led the Broncs to a sixth place finish at the Region as they qualified seven wrestlers Joining McCoy at the SDH-SAA Class A Boys State Wrestling Tournament will be held at the Denny Sanford PREMIER Center in Sioux Falls starting

Feb. 24th will be Cade Bickerdyke (20-19) on the year who finished 3rd at 195#, as well as this group of wrestlers: Logan Tyndall, (21-18) at 106#; D'Angelo Garduna, (21-17) at 113#; Riley Dighton (21-18) at 126#; Cayden Wolfe (20-11) at 152#; and Lucas Tonsager (9-14) at 220# all finished 4th in their respective weight classes.

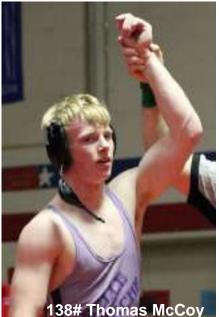
Also placing, but not qualifying for state were Also placing were: 120# Cortez Rodriguez (4-11) placed 6th; 132# Zach Tonsager (8-14) placed 6th; 145# Owyn Schreder (14-21)

placed 6th; 182# Gideon Funk (6-14) placed 6th; and 285# Sean Wahlfeldt (13-18) placed

Rounding out the Bronc squad competing at the region were: Rounding out the Bronc squad was 160# Andy Tonsager (10-17); 170# Lucas Green (6-24).

This will be the last State Tournament as Bronc's head coach for Bill Abell who is retiring from that position. Girl's Division do not wrestle at a regional meet, but are seeded for their state tournament. Audry Bickerdyke Photos.













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April 2, 2022



Broncs BB Goes to 12-7 With Two Wins

JIM TRIMBLE

news@bellefourchebeacon.com The Belle Fourche Broncs varsity boys basketball squad improved their season record to 12-7 with two big wins last week. Belle took on Douglas in Box Elder on Tuesday evening and escaped with a 60-56 victory before returning home on Friday and dropping the Faith Longhorns 58-48.

At Douglas, Broncs senior swingman Aiden Giffin dominated the paint by scoring 33 points as Belle defeated the Patriots. Giffin got to the free throw line 21 times hitting 13 to go along with 10 field goals. Both teams started the game slow with Belle holding a 7-6 lead after the first period. The Broncs led by Giffin, outscored Douglas 26-16 to take a 33-22 margin to the locker room at half. The Patriots came out fighting in the third quarter and closed the gap to 3 points at 42-39. Belle held on down the stretch for the 4 point victory. Belle junior point guard Anthony Budmayr added 13 points for the Broncs hitting 10 shots from the charity stripe, where Belle shot 63% as a team. Seniors

Gabe Heck and Ryker Audiss each hit 2 shots from behind the arc. Giffin pulled down 10 rebounds to complete a double-double and Heck cleared 9 boards and handed out 5 assists.

In the JV game Douglas came out on top 63-40. Nolan Wahlfeldt netted 14 points to lead the Broncs with teammates Rance Bowden and Taitin Yackley chipping in 7 and 6 counters. The Patriots also won the C game 52-43 over the Little Broncs. Carter McKenna paced Belle with 15 and Rexton Audiss finished with 10.

The Broncs were home on Friday night to face the Faith Longhorns in a Boys-Girls double header. Belle raced out to a 19-14 lead after one and extended the lead to 11 points 31-20 at half time. The Broncs never trailed in the second half and cruised to a 58-48 win. Belle drained 10 shots from deep with Budmayr canning 4 and Audiss and Heck 3 each. That trio also paced the Broncs in scoring with Budmayr netting 18 and Audiss and Heck 14 and 10 respectively. Faith dropped to 11-8 on the season.

It was senior night in Belle

with Aiden Giffin, Gabe Heck, Cole Hockenbary, Ryker Audiss, Devin Burns, Dalton Davis, and Caiden Stores suiting up for their last home game in Belle Fourche.

In the JV contest Belle scorched Faith 52-22. Joshua Hahne had 18 points and Taitin Yackley chipped in with 15 for the Broncs. In the C game Belle overwhelmed Faith 44-18. McKenna again led the Little Broncs with 14 points and Jordan Sandoval and Issac Voyles chipped in 9 each.

The Broncs travel to Mobridge on Friday for their final regular season game to tangle with the Tigers.

The Broncs C team played in a tournament on February 12th where they met Sturgis and Rapid City Christian.

In the first contest Sturgis nipped Belle 50-48. Sandoval poured in 26 to lead Belle in scoring and McKenna had 10. Belle salvaged a win in the tourney as they turned back Rapid City Christian 43-30. The Sandoval-McKenna tandem again powered Belle with McKenna dropping in 19 and Sandoval 10.



Cole Hockenbary is all smiles and he exists the court at his final regular season home game.



Caiden Stores maintains his focus at the freethrow line. Hockenberry photo



Ryker Audiss fights hard for points against a tough Longhorn defense. Hockenberry photo



Kaylin Garza passes the ball for the last time on Lexi Sheeler holds her own. Hockenberry homecourt in regular season. Hockenberry photo photo



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Lady Broncs BB Finish Season **13-7 Prepare for Districts**

JIM TRIMBLE news@bellefourchebeacon.com

The Belle Fourche girls varsity basketball team played three games in the past week winning two as they finished their regular season with a 13-7 mark. The Lady Broncs finished the season strong winning four of their last five contests and 10 of their last 12 games. Belle traveled to play in the Corn Palace Classic to face the 15-3 Sioux Falls Christian Lady Chargers in the first of 3 final games. The Ladies played the Christian game at Salem High School due to scheduling issues. Belle shot a freezing cold 16% from the field as they bowed to the Chargers 39-26. The Chargers had some trouble finding the hoop also but jumped out to a 10-5 lead at the end of the first stanza. Christian led 20-14 at halftime and Belle could get no closer as Sioux Falls coasted to the 13 point victory. Chloe Crago and Mataya Ward led Belle in scoring with 6

points each with Dylan Stedille and Kaylin Garza adding 5 apiece. "You don't win many games shooting 16 percent (9-57). We will put this game behind us and hope to finish the season strong," commented Broncs head coach Bill Burr. The Ladies traveled to New Underwood on Tuesday the 15th to face the Lady Tigers. The Broncs prevailed in the game by a score of 40-29. The Broncs led at all quarter stops 15-7 after one 27-17 at half and 37-24 at the end of three. Dylan Stedille led a balanced Belle attack with 10 points including 2 from deep. Mataya Ward added 8 points and Lily

McCarty and Chloe Crago 6

each. In the JV game Belle tamed the Tigers 37-13. Sloan Young dropped in 12 for the Broncs with Lily Nore adding

The Broncs finished their

regular season at home for a

boys-girls double header on

senior night playing the Faith Lady Longhorns. The Broncs roped the Longhorns defeating them by a 47-34 tally. The first quarter was tight as but the Belle led 10-8 at the first quarter horn. The Longhorns cut the deficit to one at half as the Broncs were ahead 19-18. The Broncs broke open the close contest by outscoring Faith 17-6 in the third and then kept the Longhorns at bay for the final margin of victory. Belle again had balanced scoring with Ward leading the way with 12 points and a trio of Lady Broncs adding six points: McCarty, Stedille, and Crago. "These last two games were must wins for us to have some home court games in the playoffs. I feel we are playing good defense and we are going to have to if we expect to make it very far in the playoffs," said Coach Burr about the victories. Kaylin Garza is the lone senior

In the JV game, Belle knocked off Faith 33-22. Lily Nore notched 12 for Belle and Reece Larson had 6 points. The C game saw Belle handle Faith easily by a 45-14 final. Nore netted 14 for Belle with Anika Main and Reagan Hatling scoring 9 and 6 respectively. The Broncs are awaiting the bracketing to see who their first round opponent in the Districts

on the Lady Broncs squad and

was honored during senior



Tia Williamson dives to keep it a Bronc ball. Hockenberry

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Belle Writer's Group Visit Belle Estates

Meg English Special to the Beacon

Last Thursday afternoon several Belle Estates residents gathered to hear stories read aloud by the Belle Fourche Writers. There was a lot of conversation and laughter, and sharing of experiences between the writers and the audience as each writer read from personal narratives.

The theme at Thursday's reading was memories of childhood on the farm or ranch. Jean Helmer read some selections from her memoir, Up Hay Creek about growing up on a ranch west of Belle Fourche in the 1950s and 60s. One of the selections was a detailed account of a disastrous meal of roasted raccoon that her mother prepared. "Turns out you are supposed to remove the glands first." Jean commented after describing the horrible, lingering smell that filled the house as the raccoon was cooking. Even the soap that was made from the raccoon fat was foul smelling and made the laundry smell.

Each of these stories inspired the residents to remember similar experiences. "Been there, done that too!" Alice Edwards more

than once during the reading. Joan Gerkin read a very funny story about what it might be like to haunt a hotel as an invisible ghost. Joan's story inspired a number of chuckles. In a more philosophical tone, Lynda Edwards described the story of a special meaningful button from her childhood. Lynda's story received a first place honor at the

South Dakota State Fair in 2021. Meg English recalled a terrifying, encounter with a big bronze turkey on a hobby farm in western Wisconsin. Meg, her 10-year-old son Shay, and their golden retriever Abbie ran for their lives when the bird chased them through the farmyard with its "talons poised for battle". The story has a happy ending. All the characters survived and the turkey was eventually discouraged with a garden hose.

Eric Beeman read a short selection with several twists and a delightful surprise ending. Other participating Belle Estate residents were Clara Braun, Duane Kesseler, Rose Tetrault, Charlotte Cole, and Donna Waugh.

The Belle Fourche Writers have been meeting regularly since 2012 and as a result they have a

lot of material to share. Meetings are every third Saturday at the Belle Fourche Library from 10 AM to Noon. Visitors and new



Duane Kesseler



Joan Gerkin, Jean Helmer and Clara Braun



Donna Waugh and Eric Beeman

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Anything Left in the Barrel? -

There is an article written by Meg English, head of the Belle Fourche Writer's Club, on page A6 regarding their presentation at Belle Estates last Thursday.

Dr. English has graciously agreed to provide articles to the Beacon.

We are deeply appreciative and highly thrilled to have the recently retired Newell High School English teacher as a contributor to the content of this publication.

For any of those of you who have interest in pursuing the writing

bug should get in touch with the organization and get started!

We have included a few notes from the organization to lead you into the organization activities.

> Belle Fourche Writers Notes: February 28 is the story challenge deadline. You can email the story to

Meg English, or put it in the mail. (Dr. Meg English,117 Yukon Place # 22, Spearfish SD 57783 meg@bhsw.org)

Character descriptions are on the Writers Facebook page. Monday, March 7 is the date for their next editing meeting.

— By: Doug Cole

Saturday, March 19th is the date for the regular March meeting. Tuesday, April 19th is the date

The Belle Fourche Writers will present at the Matthews Opera House Author Talks.

The presentation starts at 12:30 and lasts about an hour.

The writing prompt for the March meeting is: Write about a time when you wanted to shout out, but remained silent.

Happy writing all!

City Council Candidate Forum

Sunday March 13th. 4-6 PM at the Belle Fourche Recreation Center Theater. Curt Westland, Moderator.

Belle Silver Lining Father Daughter Dance

Chip Kimball **Belle Silver Lining Seniors** Special to the Beacon

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Belle Fourche FFA served the 155 participants, and a host of volunteers made the evening possible through decorating, planning and working through the evening.

Volunteers: Melody Smith, Cindy Stover, Max Malcolm, Toarin Humble, Debbie Allen, Rita Bollwitt, Janelle Austin, Rebecca Lee, Justice Njos, Catalina Cain, Chip Kimball, Elijah Pomrenke, Nicole Kraft, Dustin Kolb, Brooks Clooten, Olivia Furrow, Ava McLennan, Ariana Richter, Kyha Trainor, Rachel Lee, Art Somercold, Marce Hobbs, Mary Riley, Daphne Johnson, Charlie Johnson, and Sunny Smeenk.

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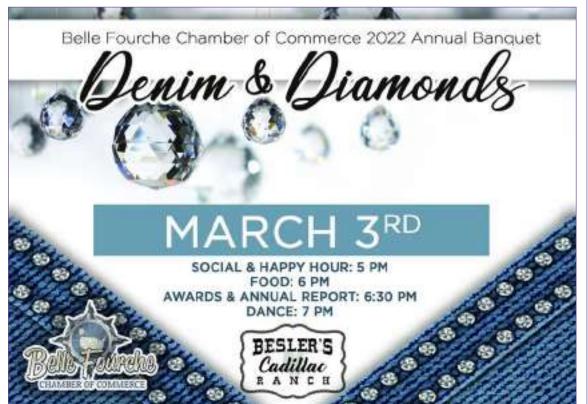
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Palmer, Keri, Kadoka SD...... ...33 ...2-4 Yr Old Ewes 184.. \$410.00 LLB Ranch LLC, Kaycee WY75 ...3-4 Yr Old Ewes 159.. \$320.00 LLB Ranch LLC, Kaycee WY90 ...Sld Ewes........... 166.. \$225.0045 ...\$-Ss Ewes 159.. \$205.00 LLB Ranch LLC, Kaycee WY... Johnson, Rick Or Wendy, Quinn SD......28 ... 3-5 Yr Old Ewes 178.. \$310.00 Feeder Lambs Hulm, Jason, Glad Valley SD.....7 Lamb............65 ... \$305.00 J & K Livestock, Angela MT......8 Lamb.......72 ... \$300.00 Wetz, Leroy Or Shirley, Vale SD......7 Lamb.......90 ... \$262.50 Franke, Keith, Belle Fourche SD...... ...2 K Ewe 150. \$131.00

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Lists. I love lists. If I was going to categorize all the "stuff" I've saved over the years, the largest file would be "LISTS". I'd call this one:



They say we can have gatherings with up to eight people without issues. I don't even know eight people without issues.

Theme parks can snap a crystal clear picture of you on a rollercoaster going 70 mph, but bank cameras can't get a clear shot of a robber standing still!

Someone posted that they had just made synonym buns. I replied "you mean just like the ones that grammar used to make?" I am now blocked.

Dear paranoid people who check behind their shower curtains for murderers .. if you do find one, what's your

The more I get to know people, the more I realize why Noah only let animals on the ark.

Facial recognition software can pick a person out of a crowd but the vending machine at work can't recognize a dollar bill with a bent corner.

Covid-19 Fact: 87% of gym members don't even know their gym is closed.

I never make the same mistake twice. I do it like, five

or six times, you know, to make sure. If you see someone buying candy, popcorn and a soda at the movies, they are a drug dealer. There's no

other explanation for that type of income. I know it's time to clean out my purse when my car assumes it's an extra passenger who isn't wearing a

seat belt. Dr. Oz says rubbing coffee grounds on your naked body will get rid of cellulite. Apparently you can't do this in Starbucks. And now the cops are here.

Do not vaccinate health care workers first. If it fails, we're all in trouble. Vaccinate the politicians first. If we lose a few of them, it won't matter. Amen!

In the 1980s I fell off my bike and hurt my knee. I'm telling you this now because we didn't have social

Some people seem to have aged like fine wine.

I aged like milk. I got sour and chunky. Dear Sneeze: If you're going to happen, happen.

Don't just put a stupid look on my face and then leave.

Vegetarians live up to nine years longer than meat-eaters. Nine horrible, worthless, bacon less years. I still have a full deck, I just shuffle slower.

We all know Albert Einstein was a genius. but his brother Frank was a monster

Now that gives YOU something to muse over! jt



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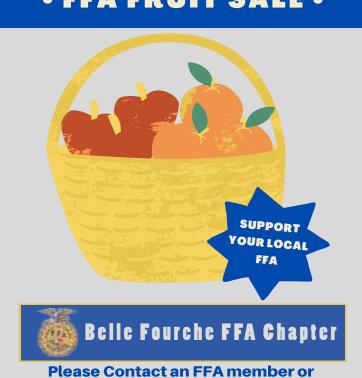
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KAREN ODELL

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Erma and Dick Albert had a good week. They made a trip to the Air Base in Rapid City for a tax appointment, on Tuesday. Erma had a chiropractor appointment on Wednesday. Then, on Thursday, they went to the Hills to pick up some supplies, and they stopped by to visit with Clara Braun. They went the Senior Citizen dinner, on Friday, and got to celebrate Fern's birthday. Fern's family had brought cake, and celebrated with them, too. Erma stayed to play cards afterward. On Sunday they went to the Catholic Church for the service, pot luck lunch, and Bible study. Father Brian had to go to Rapid City in the afternoon, and left right away to beat the forcasted snowstorm, but the snow hadn't reached very far south.

Alvin Cordell went to Buffalo, on Monday, to get a license plate. On Thursday, Alvin and Marlee went to Belle Fourche to watch grandson, Gavin Pearson, play basketball. Alvin came back home, but Marlee stayed down until Saturday. Alvin went back on Saturday, too, for more of Gavin's games. Cade Pearson got to play in one game, and a Harding County team was there. Alvin's heifers will start calving the first of March, and maybe this cold spell will be over by

Bruce and Lynn Gustafson had lamb, on Valentine's Day. It was the last of their butchered lamb. On Friday, Lynn went over to Pete Anderson's, and had coffee with Pete's mother, Dixie Garr. Bruce and Lynn attended church at the Little Missouri Church, on Sunday. Dixie had heard about the snow that was headed our way, so she went back to Belle Fourche early, on Sunday. Pete went to church in Camp Crook at the Methodist Church, and then had lunch at the Corner Bar afterwards.

Doug and Julia Davis attended the Fair Board banquet at the Community Center in Camp Crook on Wednesday. Nancy Johnson catered the meal with the help of Wayne, Lyle and Sandra. On Thursday, Julia went to Buffalo to her first local physical therapy session. The weekly sessions will be closer, and easier to get to.

Donna Lewis went to Billings last week. She went to Baker, on Friday, to get a prescription, and picked up some books at the library. Now, she is prepared for a long blizzard. Her granddaughter won first place in wrestling at her last meet. Soon they will be going to the final tournaments.

Alex Moncur has been busy feeding cattle, and taking Daeson to school. Daeson will have a wrestling match at Newell, on Monday, if the weather permits. Dale came out to help out this weekend.

Rachel Melum took Tommy to the Home School Group meeting in Ekalaka, on Friday. The Southeast Electric linemen gave some demonstrations, and the kids really enjoyed the miniature lines and equipment for teaching.

Bryce, Dawn and Dorothy Padden had a full week of travel. On Monday, they went to the girls' basketball games at Buffalo. On Tuesday, they were back to Buffalo for the boys' games. Thursday was girls' basketball again. They made a trip to Ekalaka, on Friday. That night they were headed back to Buffalo for Boys basketball again, but Dorothy called them just in time to tell them they had just started calving. That didn't take long, though, and they were only a little late to the game. Dawn got some really good pictures at all those games. She is getting so professional that she has all kinds of lenses, and bags of equipment. One picture looks more like wrestling, showing a boy in a headlock while trying to get the ball. On Saturday, Dawn had the Harding County boys' wrestling, at Pierre, on one computer, and Bryce had the girls basketball games on the other. It is really great to be able to see these sports from home.

Charlie Odell made a few trips this week. Karen worked on the trim for a blanket, cut and put up ceiling boards, did some writing, made cushions for a chair, and practiced music. Charlie went to Buffalo, on Monday and Friday, for





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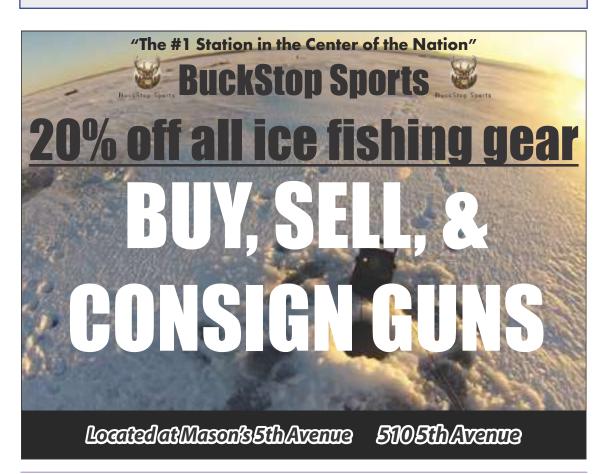
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"All Trails Lead Home"

An idyllic view, minus several homes and outbuildings, of the Redwater River out my studio window. Just the same, the cottonwoods are colorful in late Fall and a blanket of snow sets it all off. Adding a lone rider and some deer tracks all going toward "home" makes for an interesting painting.



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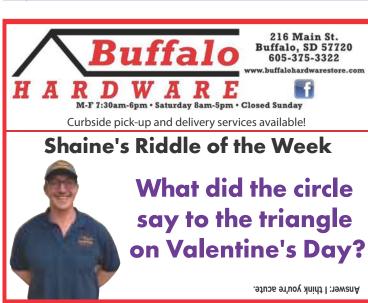


valentines and cattle cake. He went to the Hills, on Tuesday, for supplies, and visited with Jerry Kalstrom, who was on the way to see his grandchildren participate in a wrestling meet. He met and visited with the

man from Crow Buttes, who picks up garbage. Saturday was a beautiful day for working outside. Charlie and Karen went to the Methodist Church on Sunday, and then had lunch at the Corner Cafe. By afternoon a healthy bit of snow was coming down.

Remember, when you buy a little lot, you don't get a lot. You only get a little. So be careful.







From A1 Commission

found out that a grower had been approved by the county close to his farm and he had not been notified prior to the county commissioners' approval.

"I had no idea and I think that's a really sorry thing to do. It's really, really frustrating for someone who is actually going to deal with it. Think about the community these are coming into," he said. "I am really disgusted with

the way this county is doing the marijuana deal," he added. "Stop approving them." According to McCartney, each application is reviewed by the sheriff with a background check and a look at the security procedures that are put in place. According to SDCL 34-20G and state guidelines, a growing facility must be an enclosed, locked, and secure area. This information can be found on the Secretary of State's website. Since the county does not have a zoning ordinance that addresses something like growing the medical cannabis, it cannot be regulated by the county as to where a facility can be established, according to Richards. He added that the commissioners' hands are tied.

"We can't do it [change the zoning law]," he said and added that it needs a closer look. McCartney told the audience that several years ago, a zoning ordinance was attempted to address the regulations the audience had brought up, but was voted down.

"It's was totally voted down by the citizens of the county," she

Commissioner James Ager addressed the audience by pointing out that once the law had been passed by the South Dakota Legislature, the county had to follow that law.

'All five of us did the very best we could do with what was given us at that time. We made the best decisions we could make," he said.

Based on public comment, the number of growing facilities was opened to have an unlimited number of applications, according to McCartney. "We are following the statutes," said Richards. The Department of Health regulates medical

Another concern was whether there could be cross-pollination of the cannabis plant with surrounding cropping acres. This is an unlikely event considering the plants are not related genetically. There is also nothing in state regulation concerning the proximity of growing facilities to water-ways or other crop-

Richards encouraged members of the public to contact their local legislators with their concerns.

land.

"We cannot grow complacent," said Buck Casey. He motivated the group by encouraging them to vote and to be active in local government.

Four facilities have been sent to the State for approval to become cultivation facilities. They are Black Hills Bud on Helmer Rd, Butte Valley Farms with a mailing address of Oliver Lane, Newell; Center of the Nation Cultivation with a mailing address on Ridge Road, and Redwater Cannabis Care with a mailing address of Rapid City. There were issues of concern that the final plat for the Redwater Land Company subdivision could not be approved as presented to the county commission. The owner of Lots 1-10 of Tract A, located in Section 26, T8N, R2E of the Butte County wants to further subdivide the tract. It was argued by McCartney that there is a county ordinance, 2017-3, that prohibits the placement of any mobile home on any lot within a subdivision that is not "placed upon a permanent foundation." Otherwise, according to McCartney, the area is to be considered a Mobile Home Park and constitutes other regulations. It is not clear if that is the intention of the tract owner, but after consideration, the commissioners voted to send the Plat back to the Planning Commission for further study.

Earlier in the day, bids were opened for two tracts owned by the county near Mill Street in Belle Fourche. DA Peterson, LLC bid \$195,900 on parcel S consisting of 6.53A, and \$60,000 on Parcel Q consisting of 7.73A. Hult Homes bid \$6,530 on 6.53A and \$7,730 on the 7.73A. The commissioners will decide at the March 1 regular meeting.

The next regular commissioners meeting will be March 1 at 9 a.m. in the Commission Room.

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Why Make it Easy?

While I was gone for a few days one summer, my youngest son Chance was watching the cattle for me. Somewhere in his formative years, Chance had heard a little about tying on hard and fast and "tripping' cattle. He never learned much of it from me!

Not that I have a problem with it, but more for the fact that I never was taught how. I did tie on when I was a mere lad, but at a very early age, team roping came into this country and I grew up learning to dally. Dad didn't believe in ropi

To get back to the story I started to relate, Chance took the time while I was away to perfect his skills at "trippin' cattle"! Not that I would probably have stopped him, but some things are better done when the old man ain't around!

Chance was checking on yearlings and found a heifer who needed doctoring. He had been doing a little tripping on some breechy yearlings to "punish" them for being in the wrong pasture, so felt that this would be a good way to capture and doctor this particular heifer. He was ridin' my big dun horse, "Kid". Kid will run to a critter and give you a good shot cuz' I've trained him well. How I did this was to pick out a critter to rope and then chase said critter at a dead run, all the time throwing and missing the critter, with your rope. The horse learns that if he is ever going to get a rest, he must put you up fairly close and keep you there. Either that or "run the critter until it tires and lays down, whereupon the rider will finally get the rope on and the horse will get a chance to get his wind back. Needless to say, all of my horses will really track a critter and give you a good shot! Some people claim I am a poor roper. I prefer to think that I am a hell of a good rope horse trainer!

So Chance put good ol' Kid up on the critter and slaps a necklace of nylon on her, throws his trip and rides on by. The critter goes down, but Kid has never been taught the finer art of "logging off" and dragging the critter, so that it can't get to it's feet, so that the rider can pile off the horse and tie the critter down.

Chance gets the heifer down, but of course she

& Hauling

don't stay down. So he rides to her and throws another trip. She again gets to her feet, so Chance builds to her again and throws his trip and rides on by. Only thing he forgot was to check his cinches!

That third trip, the saddle turns from the force of the bovine on the end of the rope and ends up twisted on the horn.

Chance works and works and finally gets the rope off from the horn. That frees the poor yearlin' from the wreck and she proceeded to trot over to a dam with a little water in it, to cool off. Chance loosens his cinches and get his saddle squared back up and looks around and see's this yearling, coolin' off in the waterhole and he starts formulating a new plan of attack. Kid just lets out a sigh!

Chance knew that it was too muddy to ride out and pick up his rope, that was decorating this heifers nose.

Chance decides to paddle the boat out into the water and try and scare the yearling back out onto dry land where he and Kid would again have the upper hand. He finds an old paddle (made from a stick and an old license plate tacked onto the end) and paddles out to the heifer. The heifer is puzzled as she has never been approached by a boat with a guy wearing a hat in it, waving a stick in the air and calling her unprintable names.

The heifer finally decides to leave the waterhole and when the heifer leaves, Chance disembarks from the boat, gets Kid from where he's left him hobbled and takes down his second rope (he is like his father and has lost a rope to a critter a time or two and just hates to have to try and pickup a rope, on the run, from the back of a horse, that is being dragged by a scared, mad, on the fight bovine) and rides up and ropes this poor bewildered yearling, by the hind feet, this time.

After that, Chance said, doctoring her was plumb easy!





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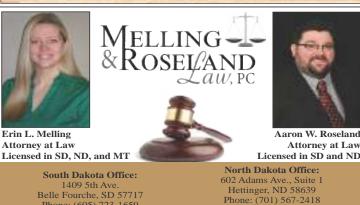


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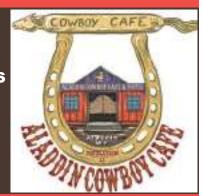




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The Belle Fourche High School FFA Parliamentary Procedure team that qualified for nationals presented a demonstration of their skills to the school board at their regular meeting on February 14th. The team was South Dakota state champions and will represent the state at Nationals in Indianpolis in October. (From left) Advisor Austin Bishop, Dustin Kolb (Chair 4), Shaylee Pickett (alternate), Reese McKenna (Chair 3), Nicole Kraft (Chair 2), Ava McLennan (Chair 1), and Olivia Furrow (Chairman - far right). - Beacon photo

From A1 School Marijuana

The issue is further complicated by the fact that there are no current provisions in the state guidelines that require a school administrator to be present during the administration of the drug. This leaves open the potential for multiple doses to be given beyond the cardholder's requirements. Doses which could potentially fall into the wrong hands.

Other medications given to students during school hours, such as those which control ADHD, are administered by a school nurse. The doses are legally prescribed, and the potency of the drug is known.

Further complicating matters

From A1 **Convention Center**

"Originally we went with a three-story structure because the size of the land wasn't very large," he said. "To leave enough parking for the convention center and oversized rigs we had to go three stories. We're going back to a two-story format now.'

Peterson says there may be a few more tweaks added to the design, but the basic accommodations and amenities will remain. There will still be 74 hotel rooms, which Peterson says will include some family suites with two bedrooms and four beds and some executive suites with single kings, double kings and a small living room. He also plans to offer extended stay options with suites that would include a small kitchen. "We've never done that before

for school officials is the fact that measuring potency of medicinal marijuana is still an inexact science, according to the National Institutes of Health (NIH). A 2020 study of 8,505 cannabis products in four Western states and five Northeastern states revealed that THC concentration levels between medicinal and recreational products were nearly similar (19.2% vs 21.5%). The study found that most products advertised for medicinal use stated the average labeled THC concentration was less than

The study concluded "These stated concentrations seem unsuitable for medicinal purposes, particularly for patients

but it's kind of surprising how

often the need comes up when

folks are moving to town and

to move into yet or they begin

Peterson adds that with Al-

bany Farms relocating a major

food processing plant to Belle

Fourche the timing for these

accommodations couldn't be

"I'm even more excited about

moving into Belle Fourche now

"There have been a lot of new

things coming to town in the

last year. That, along with the

response we had for what we

planned to do last year, shows

that I think we correctly read

the need and I think that has

even intensified over the last

than I was before," he said.

a job and need a place to stay

until a home is available,'

Peterson said.

better.

year."

their house isn't quite ready

with chronic neuropathic pain. Therefore, this information could induce the misconception that high potency cannabis is safe to treat pain."

The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) last month released a statement opposing HB1094. The statement read in part that HB1094 in its present form "would reverse the current protections for patients to be able to access their medicine at school. Many of these minors need to take a dose of medical cannabis at regular intervals, which often includes during school hours." Most medical cannabis uses are to combat pain.

Plans call for the complex to have a convention center capable of seating 300. The space will have full audio and video equipment as well as a wet bar. They also plan to cater food into the convention room.

Peterson says the planned 1,200 square foot fitness center will sell memberships to the public. They will have access to the center 24 hours a day with a key card entry system.

The restaurant will be called Grazer's Burgers and Beer and is patterned after Peterson's other restaurant locations in Bowman and Newcastle.

They will serve mostly pub fare with beef tips, pizza, and wings as well as appetizers and desserts.

If all goes to plan Peterson says he hopes to begin construction this summer with an opening in early 2023.

BFDC Presents Dr Willard

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news@bellefourchebeacon.comDuring the Feb. 14th BFSD School Board regular meeting the Belle Fourche Development Corporation (BFDC) presented Superintendent Steve Willard with a plaque recognizing Willard as the 2021 South Dakota School Superintendent Innovator of the Year, an award given by the SD School Superinten-

dent's Association. BFDC Executive Director Hollie Stalder had intended to present the award during their organization's annual meeting on Jan. 19, but Dr. Willard had a scheduling conflict.

"With a passion for career development and a servant's heart as a teacher, coach and

superintendent for 42 years Dr. Steve Willard continues to drive for innovation in education," Stalder said. "Making a difference in the lives of our young adults to prepare for their future has been a very high priority. And that has positioned Belle Fourche for the future with the Career Technical Education program which has helped students achieve success in career fields that are in high demand in today's work force. Dr. Willard is Belle Fourche's biggest cheerleader and has tremendous pride in his community and family. The Development Board thanks you and congratulates you and your incredible support team with the school board and administration staff."



Dr. Steve Willard was recognized at the recent school board meeting by the Belle Fourche Development Corporation as SD Superintendent Innovator of the year. From left: Dr. Steve Willard, Hollie Salder, Ex. Dir. Belle Fourche Development Corp., Wendy Bowers, President of the Belle Fourche Development Corp. Beacon Photo

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Looking Back in Belle-

125 years ago Belle Times February 20, 1897 More Artesian Water G. W. Couch was in one day this week and informed us that he had artesian water on his place a few miles from town. The well is only sixty feet deep. The flow is not large but goes far towards verifying the fact that Butte county may be abundantly supplied with artesian water. No doubt the coming spring and summer will find a number of such wells being put

down.

Current Comments Mrs. D. P. Roberts has been confined to her bed with the measles this week. Bruce Sebastian made a business trip to Spearfish the latter part of last week. J. H. Widdoss made final proof on his land, near Minnesela, on Saturday last. Mrs. John McClure, of Minnesela, paid the TIMES a very pleasant call Monday. Peter Vallery, of Snoma, shipped a car load of steers to Chicago from Whitewood on Saturday of last week, he accompanying them.

> 100 years ago Belle Fourche Bee March 3, 1922 Public School Costs

According to the recently published statement of Fred L. Shaw, state superintendent of instruction, the cost of education in the public schools of the state considerably more than doubled during the 10 year period between 1910 and 1920. Mr. Shaw does not attempt to analyse the situation but offers figures showing the comparative costs that are highly interesting. For instance, the per capita cost for public schools in 1910 was only \$6.96 but in 1920 it had jumped to \$13.37. The number of pupils actually enrolled in 1910 was 126,253 and 10 years later it was 147,025 while the average length of term in days increased from 147 to 163. The average salary of teachers in the public schools rose during that period to \$854.13 which includes the salaries of much better paid city teachers. It is obvious therefore that these three items are the main reasons for the increase in the cost of education in the public schools. The total expenditures mounted from \$4,068,012 in 1910 to \$11,520,117 in 1920 but the total receipts had also risen from \$5,053,328 to \$15,293,385 during the same period. When these figures were made, the cost of everything was away out of proportion and if they could be brought down to date, they might show some reduction. But taxpayers who are studying every angle of the things they are called upon to pay, even though they might decide that some things in the schools are not absolutely essential, do not overlook the fact that our school endowment fund is rising and constantly cutting down the burden to the taxpayer that otherwise would be unbearable. That \$100,000 annual distribution to the schools of the state is a pretty fine offset to any captious criticism.

Town and Country Louis Sheldon of Alazada, Mont., was in the city last Saturday. General Agent E. E. Benjamin of the Northwestern, came down from Deadwood Tuesday. Hugh J. Kimball of Aladdin, Wyo., was in from his ranches in the Bear Lodge country last week. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Wells went to Whitewood Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Wells' brother, C. E. Wells who was buried on Wednesday. The fourth

semi-annual sale of the Black Hills Hereford association will be held in the pavilion at Whitewood on March 30. Twenty-five bulls will be offered at the sale. Telephone your order of cut flowers to McDonald, the florist, Lead, S. D.

75 years ago Belle Fourche Bee March 8, 1947 Farmers Enter Protest to "Rainy Day" Clause Beet Labor Contract

At a recent meeting of the Butte County Farm Bureau, held at Nisland, a protest was entered by the organization to the so-called "Rainy Day"clause in this year's beet labor contact. This protest was sent to Representative Francis Case, who in turn presented the protest to Clinton P. Anderson, secretary of Agriculture. The Farm Bureau letter, sent to Case said: "In the 1946 contract, we definitely objected to the clause which guarantees one dollar per day to Mexican laborers for rainy days, and demand that it be stricken from the 1947 contact... it is doubtful if many sugar beets will be raised in this area unless there are changes made in the 1947 contract." In commenting upon this protest, Ford Scalley, manager of the Black Hills Sugar Plant states that legislation is now pending in Congress for reimbursal payments.

> Bronc Cagers Close Conference Season Defeating Lead

The Bronc cagers closed the year's conference race, Friday night, in a most fitting and pleasing manner, both to themselves and their large crowd of fans. That was to give the Lead Gold Diggers their only defeat of the season, the final score being Belle Fourche Broncs 37, Lead Gold Diggers 31. Friday's night's contest found both teams performing in championship style, featuring fast breaching floor work and good offensive tactics.

50 years ago Belle Fourche Bee March 10, 1972 Ice Jam Causes Lowland Flood Here "Now," as the drug store

observers say, "all we need is a



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by Mary Buchholz

fat, juicy rain." The comment is

occasioned by the fact that the Belle Fourche river spilled over its banks onto the Roundup grounds Wednesday morning because of an ice jam on the river bend near the grounds. The flooding marked the apparent arrival of the vanguard of 200 feet/second of water which had been released from Keyhole dam about 60 miles up the river on Monday. Normally, the head of water could be handled easily by the river, but ice has been jammed up in the river for the past two or three weeksapparently one of the few spots along the river where there is a pile-up. With the flow checked by the ice jam, the water backed up and went oozing across the Roundup grounds. Manager Harold Sjoldal of the Belle Fourche Irrigation District said Thursday morning that he had been informed that the Bureau was to release another 300 feet/ second on Wednesday. That water would arrive in Belle Fourche this weekend. Sjokdal explained that the water was being released from Keyhole because water level in the 190,000 acre-feet lake is with .8 of a foot of the spillway. Meanwhile, the water will also have to by-pass Orman reservoir east of Belle Fourche, since it, too, is as high as the Bureau of Reclamation will allow. The diversion dam gates that carry the water to Orman were closed Monday after storage in Orman had reached 160,300 acre feet. The dam was designed to hold about 177,000 acre feet, but because of a deteriorated spillway, bureau officials are fearful of allowing the storage level to get any higher than its present point. Its not all bad, of course. Lon Newell says now the rest rooms at the Roundup grounds all have running water. Mother nature solved the ice jam problem about 4 p.m. Thursday. Sufficient water and enough pressure developed to move the jamming ice loose and it quickly moved down stream.

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work, and communicate with smaller local communities is the inability to afford the price of transformation. Trying to go it alone seems like an unattainable task as funds are sparse, expertise is difficult to find, and enough willing and able bodies to carry the mantle are few. Because of this, at worst, communities simply give-up, or at best they struggle and settle for only marginal or muted progress. This need not be the case, there are answers to this seemingly insurmountable

dilemma.

One of the biggest is-

sues I see today as I travel,

Smaller communities in most cases are a subset of many small communities located in general geographical area. While they may have competed in the past for many of the same tourist and outside dollars, by simply understanding the marketing world, they can work together, still maintaining their individual identity in transforming and attracting regional tourism. There are very sound reasons bitter rivals such as Burger King builds next to McDonalds. There is a reason you see a CVS close to Walgreens. While they are rivals in a cut-throat business, they are allies in drawing bodies to mutual locations. They understand where there are bodies, there is business, some of which flows to them.



Thus, you have the rise of destination marketing, regional branding, co-op marketing and other similar marketing terms.

This is simply where by John Newby small communities in a single county or area, or

even several counties located in the shadows of larger tourist or business attractions must work together to effectively compete against the bigger draw. When they work together, they can marshal the needed resources to compete. Thus, the "rising water raises all the ships in the harbor" approach to smaller community transformation.

When you look at larger markets, you have large and well financed Chambers and economic development organizations, you see magazines, both print (yes, print is still in demand) and digital promoting their destinations. Larger savvy markets build their own databases, and have digital resources rarely seen in smaller communities. Larger markets tend to draw the human capital needed to market and brand effectively. Larger markets get all the headlines in the media, excepting a few token stories about their fringe outliers. In short, smaller markets struggle in the shadows of their big competitors, losing valuable dollars to them in a constant outflow.

While the intent is to en-



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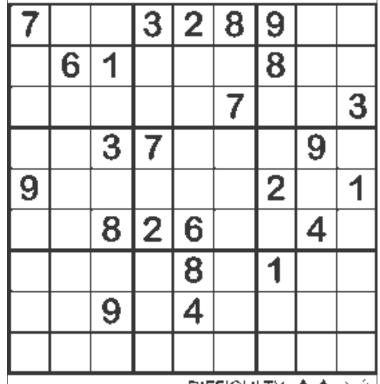
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courage smaller communities to band together in ways that make sense for them, here are a few ways these communities can work together to conquer mountains. Combine on a print/ digital magazine that promotes the entire region and distribute into the surrounding areas. This increases the advertiser base and can lead to building a regional database that can be shared and utilized by the small business base as well. Utilize the many nearly free digital tools available to market, brand, create newsletters, consolidate email, build texting databases, all of which can be done in a broad swath, yet breaking down to a local base. The point is simple, smaller communities working together CAN and must harness nearly every resource used in larger markets just as effectively when implemented in a strategic fashion.

Smaller communities can no longer effectively compete on their own, they must work together. Make no mistake, help from the cavalry is not coming. Nearly every market, large and small is under some sort of economic stress. If you are relying on them for help, you will be waiting a long time. The federal government has shown their disdain for small communities and local businesses by shutting them down during the pandemic while National chains with their larger crowds were allowed to remain open. Those communities you are in the shadows of rarely have an interest in you, other than how they can extract more of your dollars into their communities. Smaller towns must fight back by working together in a common cause.

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8 Black-Brd Hfr	Bull Bred	946	1675.00
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12 Black-Brd Co	w 5/Sm	1461	1450.00
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	1	Black-Cow	1195	77.50926.12\$
Dan Taylor, Sundance WY	1	Black-Cow	1245	79.00983.55\$
	1	Black-Cowette	1005	80.50809.02\$
Lucas Waterland, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Cow Open	1620	80.501,304.10\$
Steve Jordan, Alva WY	1	Black-Cow Open	1375	83.001,141.25\$
Shane Moke, Belle Fourche SD	1	Bwf-Cow	1410	79.501,120.95\$
	1	Black-Cow	1305	75.50985.27 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1040	74.50774.80\$
	1	Rwf-Cow	1295	76.50990.67\$
John Ismay, Sturgis SD	1	Black-Hfrt Open	850	110.00935.00 \$
	1	Black-Cow Open	1125	78.00877.50\$
Sipe Ranches, Belle Fourche SD	1	Xbrd-Cow 5/6 Yo	1480	72.501,073.00\$
	1	Rwf-Cow Sm	1235	74.00913.90\$
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	1	Black-Cow	1130	76.00858.80\$
Blair Bros, Vale SD	1	Black-Cow	1145	76.00870.20\$
Don Polich, Forsyth MT	1	Black-Cow Open	1125	79.00888.75 \$
Austin Risty, Reva SD				
Grubbing Hoe Ranch Inc, Buffalo SD	1	Black-Cow	1640	83.001,361.20\$
	1	Black-Cow	1610	82.001,320.20\$
Spur Land & Livestock, Newcastle WY	10	Black-Cowette	1177	83.50982.79\$
	5	Black-Cow Open	1600	83.501,336.00\$
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	1	Black-Cow Open	1280	84.501,081.60\$
	1	Black-Cow	1695	72.001,220.40 \$
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	1	Black-Cow	1475	82.001,209.50\$
	1	Black-Cow	1365	77.501,057.87\$
Ben Or Lori Garman, Belle Fourche SD	1	Black-Cow	1630	77.501,263.25 \$
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Cross Four Ranch, Miles City MT				
	3	Black-Cow	1143	72.00823.20\$
Darrell Ennen, Rapid City SD	1	Black-Cow	1380	77.501,069.50\$
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NEWELL SCHOOLS

Two More Resignations

COLLEEN BRUNNER

news@bellefourchebeacon.com NEWELL – The Newell school board accepted two more resignations. Ag teacher, Cassandra Champion submitted her resignation, which will be effective as of the end of the school year. Also, para-professional Kendahl Wetz submitted hers. The district is currently looking for two para-professionals to service students. They are also looking at next year's staffing and will be advertising for a 9-12 English teacher and K-12 Vocal/Band teacher.

The year has been filled with changing roles for school staff, with resignations providing gaps, especially in the area of para-professionals. They have also struggled having enough substitute teachers to provide that service.

In other board business they heard from the custodial/maintenance director who said they had been monitoring in piezometers in the north and south area by the entrance to the school gym.

"There was no water in the south side and 8'9" of water in the north after a slight thaw," said Robert Witherspoon. The north side hole where the device is has a lot of sand and the south side has gravel. The water level is being measured over a period of time to provide information to formulate the best plan of action for dealing with standing water in that area when there is snow melt or heavy rain, something the district has not had to deal with recently.

School Board C2

Miss South Dakota Visits Newell School



Miss South Dakota Kaitlin O'Neill (far right, seated) poses with students from third through fifth grades during a visit to Newell School on Thursday, Feb. 17th. Story on page C2. - Betty Bruner photo

Further Discussion of Abandoned Mobile Home by the Newell Commission

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NEWELL-The Newell Com-

missioners heard more information concerning the abandoned mobile home located at Block 36, Lot 7 & 8 at the regular

monthly meeting Monday evening. Mark Martin, as the new owner, was present to give his claim and understanding of the problems surrounding the mobile home. Martin is in the process of obtaining full ownership of the property, but has not been able to acquire full possession at this point.

Martin explained that the plywood and fence on the south side of the motel building was placed there by Ken Ballou, who maintains that his property line goes to the fence. Mayor Ken Wetz advised Martin that the question of the property line and placement of the fence and the plywood is a civil matter that should not be handled by city officials.

Martin understood that part of the process and wanted to reassure the commissioners that he has every intention of "moving all the junk, but was waiting for full possession."

"I plan to get rid of the trailer. I will get it all out of there," he

Tony and Becky Dean from RSI, were present to explain the new rates for commercial dumpsters in the town. There are over 25 businesses that have commercial dumpsters and approximately 290 residential customers that are serviced by

Also discussed were irrigation rates within the city limits. The system needs continuous maintenance and upkeep. According to Mayor Wetz, enterprising funds such as the irrigation system must be self-supporting

A special meeting will be held to February 25, 2022 at 6 p.m. to discuss rate changes for both garbage and irrigation fees.

Commissioners approved Library Board members Kim Wince for a two-year term, Linda Vollmer for one-year term, and Karen Wallace to finish Anna Erk's term to December

They also approved David Morell, Douglas Parrow, Sharyl Scott, Annitta Stolnack, Lynette Culver and Curator Linda Velder for the Museum Board.

Acting Finance Officer Sheila Smith was promoted to Finance Officer with a pay increase.

The next commissioners' meeting will be a special meeting February 25 at 6 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be March 14 at 6 p.m.

The Equalization meeting will be held March 21 at 6 p.m.

Newell PTO Father-Daughter Dance



Newell PTO held a Father/Daughter Dance in the Multi-Purpose Room Friday evening with more than 25 couples attending. Dads and daughters, all decked out in finery, were present for the second annual event hosted by Newell PTO. Story on page C2. - Betty Bruner photo



Fifth grader, Karley, colored a flower petal and wanted to encourage people as part of the BLOOM program presented by Miss South Dakota Kaitlin O'Neill. - Bruner photo

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Newell School Menu Feb. 23 - Mar. 2

Wednesday Feb. 23, 2022 Lunch: TATER TOT CASSEROLE, WHOLE GRAIN DIN-NER ROLL, PINEAPPLE, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Thursday Feb. 24, 2022 Breakfast: BISCUITS AND GRAVY, SAUSAGE PATTY,

FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

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

Monday Feb. 28, 2022

Breakfast: DONUTS OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: HAMBURGER DELUXE, WHOLE GRAIN BUN, BAKED BEANS, MIXED FRUIT, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Tuesday Mar. 1, 2022

Breakfast: FRENCH TOAST OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: RAVIOLI, GARLIC BREAD, MIXED VEGETABLES, PEARS, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Wednesday Mar. 2, 2022

Breakfast: YOGURT PARFAÍT OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: SHRIMP POPPERS, BRUSSEL SPROUTS, STRAWBERRIES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK



From C1 **School Board**

Food Service Director Vicki Morell gave her report and requested the district purchase an approximate 20-22 cubic foot freezer to store the donated beef, through a program run by Wall Meats. Ranchers can donate a beef to the program.

'We'd love to have someone donate some more right now so we have enough to finish out the year, and get a start on next year," said Morell. "The beef has been really well received."

The freezer proposals she brought to the board include commercial grade freezers ranging in price from \$989 to over \$2000, as well as household grade ranging from \$849 to just over \$1000.

Morell said the freezer would be used exclusively for the locally raised beef products and save storage costs in Rapid City as well as costs involved in the transportation of the beef from Rapid to Newell on a regular

Technology and student services Director Cara Muckridge reported that the seniors had been tested for the National Career Readiness Certificate and that Newell had two students register in the "platinum" level.

The board discussed her proposal to purchase Chromebooks to replace out of date laptops for the high school

students. There is a problem with the plan though, as several of the CTE classes have to take tests that cannot be done on a Chromebook. There would need to be approximately 15 Windows-based computers for those services. Muckridge said there was a possibility that the 15 computers could be included as part of the Perkin's grant application.

Chairman Tyrel Bonnet was not in favor, saying, "I'd steer away from putting it in the Perkin's grant. That does a lot for our shop program and it's not worth compromising our Perkins grant for 15 computers." The replacement of Windows-based laptops for the high school would be an approximate \$95,220, according to Muckridge, while the Chromebooks would range around \$36,000.

"I don't want to pay that for computers," she said, referring to the higher figure. Since this information came during Muckridge's report, no action was taken.

Principal and Activities Director Steve Schoenfish reported that they would be taking the photography class to Wind Cave soon. He also said there are two students who have expressed interest in graduating early. One thing that might affect this is if the state legislature votes to require a full year of government.

Second Annual Father / **Daughter Dance**

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NEWELL- Newell PTO held a Father/Daughter Dance in the Multi-Purpose Room Friday evening with over 25 couples attending. Dads, granddads, and special friends gathered with the lovely young ladies of the Newell area. PTO spokesperson, Luaine Shaykett, said that the PTO hopes that this will become an annual event and would like to add a Mother/Son dance in the future.

Many of the young ladies were dressed to the nines, with their escorts equally looking dashing. Corsages and boutonnieres were also seen on several couples. The girls were excited to be there and several dads looked like it was their first date. But there's nothing better than having a dance with your dad or granddad, it makes a lasting impression on a young

If you missed this year, put on your dancing shoes and practice for the next time. You won't want to miss an opportunity to dance with one of the prettiest girls on the floor!



Photos were taken of fathers and daughters and others during the Father/Daughter Dance in the Newell Multi-Purpose Room.

- Betty Bruner photo

Newell Community Club Presents

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Tuesday night: 7:00 pm Drawing at the Newell Bar.

One name from the tickets sold each week will be drawn.

That person will win 10% of the week's ticket sales and draw 1 card from the deck. If they find the **Ace of Hearts** they will split the jackpot 50/50 with the Newell Com-

If they find another card, the game continues next weekas the Jackpot grows with ticket Other Aces will pay \$100 and Jokers are \$25.

The Deck is reduced by 1 card increasing your chance to find the **Ace of Hearts.**

Tickets can be purchased on line @ newellcommunityclub.com

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. 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; MSBBB @ Faith Tournament, 9 a.m.

Feb. 27: Vale Community Club Pancake supper fundraiser, 5-7 p.m. Pancakes, eggs,

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

Mar. 1: NVN-Feeding SD food distribution at NVN Center. 1 p.m.



Mar. 1: Kids JAM, Nisland Church, 6 p.m. Nisland Church 402 Olin, top of the hill on Highway 212 at Nisland.

Mar. 1: Chili Feed and Silent Auction for Dave Nuenke at High Plains Restaurant and 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, contact Tara at the Belle Fourche Irrigation District office or just drop items off there or at the High Plains Restaurant.

Mar. 11: Lions Club Pancake Fundraiser, 5-7 p.m. Darryl Gaylor family. Silent/Live Auc-

Miss South Dakota Visits Newell School

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NEWELL-Sponsored by the Newell National Honor Society, Miss South Dakota Kaitlin O'Neill appeared and visited with students at Newell School Thursday, February 17. Classes met with her in Austin Auditorium and the Middle School Gym to hear her presentation, "BLOOM Into a Healthier

BLOOM is an organization that helps individuals learn how to find a healthy balance mentally, physically, and emotionally. During her presentation, Miss South Dakota used the acronym to point out areas students could use to improve their own personal health habits.

B-Balance. Students were given ways to schedule time every day to relax and find a balance

between work and play. L-Listen. Students were shown how they could listen to their body and how to keep it in

top performance. O-Outlet. Not an electrical outlet, O'Neill pointed out, but diving into a hobby or something that the students are passionate about. The students had various ideas on what an outlet could be, from dancing to listening to music and playing basketball or reading a book.

O-Outlook. O'Neill challenged the students to view



Newell students had many questions for Miss South Dakota Kaitlin O'Neill. - Betty Bruner photo

things that will affect their performance and mental health.

M-Move/Meditate. Get up and move or relax with meditation. O'Neill told the students that they will feel stronger, align emotions, and boost their metabolism.

O'Neill had started a marketing campaign called BLOOM Together to help connect, motivate, and bring purpose back to those struggling through quarantine. As a partner with the South Dakota Department of Health, SANE Solutions, Advanced Recovery Systems and

the School of Health Sciences and Public Health at the University of South Dakota, O'Neill is a spokesperson for their "Be the I" campaign promoting the state's suicide prevention resources.

According to O'Neill, BLOOM benefits and resonates with anyone, regardless of age, background, or abilities. She has connected with over 1,000 people from ages 5-75.

The National Honor Society used funds that had been set aside for opportunities to encourage and challenge students.







(Top) Young girls from pre-school age to middle school passed the time with balloons before the music began. (Above left) Every girl needs a little help with her "ensemble" to get ready to dance. (Above right) Dads sat and visited before the music began at the second annual Father/ Daughter Dance in Newell. - Betty Bruner photos

BETTY OLSON

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On Valentine's Day Linda Mohagen, Patsy Wilkinson, Connie Weishaar, and I went quilting at the church Monday morning and got quite a bit done. We got word that Tashona and James Ingalls had a baby boy born with

James Ingalls had a baby boy born with melatonin in his lungs and in critical condition. We got good news on Sunday that he was doing well and Tashona was taking him home!

Ramona Hight's birthday was on Valentine's Day so Amanda and the kids went to Buffalo to help Grandma Mona celebrate her birthday. I asked little Knox how old Grandma Mona was now and he thought about it for a minute and then told me Mona was 56. Sounds about right!

Linda Mohagen, Patsy Wilkinson, Lori Besler and I went quilting again Tuesday morning, but we quit at noon. My cousin Joe and Karen Wilkinson had gone to Hettinger that morning and stopped to have a good visit with Reub and me on the way home that afternoon.

Taz was up at the rodeo in San Antonio, Texas on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Tuesday evening he won the round with a 3.6, moving him into the finals next week.

Jeb Ford, age 52, formerly of Lemmon, passed away in a motor vehicle accident

> near Parkston, SD, on Sunday, February 6. Memorial services for Jeb were held on Friday, February 18, at the Calvary Lutheran Church in Lemmon with burial

in the Rosebud Cemetery south of White Butte.

Ralph Besler, 87, Whitewood, SD, died Feb. 9, at home surrounded by family after a threemonth battle with mesothelioma. Ralph's funeral was Friday, February 18, in Whitewood. He was buried with military honors at the Black Hills National Cemetery.

Dr. Joe Mattson, age 82, passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 12, in Littleton, Colorado. Dr. Joe served at the Hettinger clinic and hospital for many years and he will be missed by the many patients he treated. Dr. Joe was also a military veteran.



Bradford Hofland, 80, Piedmont, SD, passed away Friday, February 12, at his home in Piedmont. Funeral services for Brad were Tuesday, February 22, in Spearfish with burial at the Black Hills National Cemetery with military honors.

These families have our sympathy.

Amanda kept her little nephew Keen on Wednesday and Grandma Starla Jenson came to pick Keen up that afternoon and take Copper back home with them. Copper just loves to help babysit Keen.

Missy kept Knox and River while Amanda went to volleyball that night.

Reub and I went to Spearfish on Thursday to get a new microwave after my old one died. We stopped and had a real good visit with Pete Larson and Christina Larson after we finished shopping. A friend of Pete's stopped to visit on him way home from being an honor guard at a veteran's funeral that afternoon, using Pete's brother Keith Larson's gun. Missy went to Lemmon Thursday afternoon for the visitation for her friend Jeb Ford at Evanson Jenson Funeral Home that evening. Missy attended Jeb Ford's

funeral in Lemmon on Friday and Casey left for the Regional wrestling tournament in Fort Pierre that started early Saturday morning. My Aunt Patsy Wilkinson had a birthday on Friday. I called to wish her happy birthday and asked what she was doing to celebrate. She said that Jim and Vicki had invited her over for supper. Happy Birthday Patsy!

Casey had the wrestlers in Fort Pierre on Saturday for the Regional wrestling tournament. Six of the Harding County wrestlers qualified for state and Casey was named Region 4 Coach of the Year! Reub and I hauled a lot of wood into the house Saturday after we heard the weather report and then I helped him grease his tractor.

Our son Sandy Dan had a birthday on Saturday and the weather was a lot better than it was when he was born during that awful winter of 1979. We hadn't been able to get out of the place for two weeks because of the heavy snow. Reub got the road opened to the highway just as I started labor. Reub was able to get me to the hospital in Hettinger and Sandy Dan was born late that afternoon. Another blizzard was predicted for the next day. Buck and Amy's car was getting fixed at the garage in Hettinger so I called the garage to see if their car was fixed. It was, so I had them bring it up to the hospital. I wrapped our new baby

in a heavy blanket, dismissed us both from the hospital and started to drive home.

The blizzard started just as I headed south from Reeder. The snow was so high on both sides of the highway that it was like driving through a tunnel and I was the last vehicle down the road. Thankfully, I had called Reub when I left town and he was waiting for us when we got to our mailbox to plow us into the place. It was another couple weeks before we could get out again. That was probably the most stupid thing I ever did, but the good Lord took care of us.

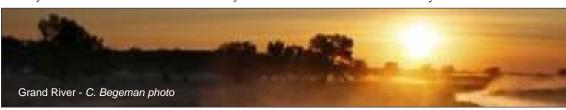
There was a Cracker Barrel in Lemmon Sunday afternoon but I had to miss it when it started snowing hard here just before I was going to leave. Rep. Sam Marty didn't go because he drove back to Pierre that afternoon to miss the heavy snow and we didn't make it to the movie at the church that evening.

This poem is so fitting: It's winter in South Dakota, And the gentle breezes blow, Seventy miles an hour At twenty-nine below.

Oh, how I love South Dakota, When the snow's up to your butt, You take a breath of winter air And your nose gets frozen shut.

Yes, the weather here is wonderful, so I guess I'll hang around. I could never leave South Dakota

Cause I'm frozen to the ground!



Then and Now in Newell

"Looking Forward to our Past"

February 22, 1912

W. H. Kenaston is having plans drawn up for an 8-room residence of tile and brick to be located on Dartmouth Avenue on west side of town.

Ed Peregrine's horses have been gone for several days. He thinks they have probably gone back to Caton where he recently purchased them. So, he made a trip to Caton this week in search of his horses, but finding them not there, he started for home and stopped to stay all night at the Moses ranch, where he learned his horses had been there for the last few weeks.

The Nisland Press is authority for the statement that J.B. Brittle of that town has been offered \$25,000 for a patent bob sled runner that clasps onto a buggy wheel, which converts the buggy into a bob sleigh.

February 16, 1922

The first truancy case to come before the Butte County, under the law passed at the last session of the Legislature was on Monday of this week, when David Korpi of Newell appeared before county Judge Brown on the charge of failing to send a young son to school. Korpi was assessed a fine of \$10 and costs of \$20. According to the law, the County Superintendent is County Truancy Officer and it is her duty to prefer charges against any parent who does not send a child to school during the school year, providing the child is of school age.

Louis Graf from near Hoover came in last Friday to secure treatment for his eyes which have been troubling him for some time. He consulted here with Dr. Martin, the Lead specialist, and went to Deadwood with the Doctor for further treatment. He was accompanied on the trip by his brother Stephan Graf.

February 25, 1932

Effective Tuesday, the Chicago Northwestern Railroad resumed it former passenger

train schedule from Whitewood to Belle Fourche and Newell, returning to Newell and all other towns in the Valley its former mail service. Tuesday's passenger train did not include the Railway Post Office car, but this was due to the fact that orders had not been received in time from Post Office Officials. While businessmen of Newell have already applied for Star Route service from Sturgis to Newell, it is the opinion that passenger mail service would be more desirable and therefore the action of the railroad company in restoring its former service is meeting with enthusiastic approval.

Reports given credence in financial circles today indicated that sugar companies in the Rocky Mountain region would not guarantee growers a minimum price for sugar beets this year. Many beet slicing factories in the region are expected to be closed next season.

Frank Hoffmeyer was a business visitor in Newell Monday and Tuesday. He reports the snow disappearing fast in the vicinity of Castle Rock, but in the Dears Ears country the few warm days have not had much effect. Considerable more snow is reported in the country from Deers Ears eastward.

February 19, 1942

George Rautio, a rancher living north of Belle Fourche, was fined \$50 and costs in Justice Court Monday in that city for illegal possession of fresh antelope meat out of season. The arrest was made by State Game Warden Harry Henderson.

Thousands of draft registrants who were have been kept out of the army by bad teeth or weak eyes will be called into service under a new selective service ruling. Local Boards were directed to re-classify men who had been deferred. The new standard requires only that a soldier have enough teeth, false or natural, to eat army food. The vision requirements were also

by Linda Velder

considerably relaxed.

A woman in a neighboring state had her husband arrested for throwing the family dog at her. The Judge dismissed the case after advising the plaintiff to slam the old man with the cat if he tried it again.

February 21, 1952

Grade school pupils of the Vale school enjoyed Valentine parties in their various rooms last Thursday afternoon. Presschool children were vitors in the Primary rooms while several mothers of the pupils were present and assisted with the party in the Intermediate room. Mrs. Oksol, teacher of the 7th and 8th grades gave the party for the youngsters in that room.

Tuesday evening 12 men gathered at the Congregational Church to hold a work night on minor repairs to the interior of the church. After the evening of work, coffee and cake was enjoyed, this was served by ladies of a Church Circle.

Due to the weather conditions and illness, there was only a small attendance at the meeting of the Highland Extension Club last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Waldemar Dahlquest. Mrs. Alice Buchholz received the guess package and a general discussion was held after which the hostess served a nice lunch. The Secretary will notify members of the time and place of the next meeting.

February 15, 1962 Honored for scholastic, 5

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Vale high School students have been invited to attend Scholastic recognition day and SDSU, Brookings February 17. Receiving invitations from Newell School: Roger Zwetzig, Daniel Hafner, Kit Edwards, Jean McDermott and Gary Wood and from Vale: Bernita Alexander, Robert Trohkimoinen and Leslie Miller. Selected by their Principals and Superintendents, High school students attending the State College event will compete for scholarships and receive a recognition token honoring their academic achievement.

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Plans for improvements to be

made at the Newell Golf Club will be discussed at a special meeting of the Newell Golf Club Tuesday evening at the City Hall; it was announced by Jack Dawson, Club President. All members and others interested are urged to attend the meeting to start at 7:30 PM sharp.

The Horse Creek School Board met Tuesday night at the Garrett Kimball home. Present were Mr. & Mrs. Louis Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Julius Viken, Bill Smeenk and other interested patrons. Lunch was served at the conclusion of the business meeting.



Chicago North Western Railway Depot on the southeast side of Newell. This is where passengers boarded and livestock and freight was accepted and shipped. Service began in 1910 and ended in 1965.



This is the Kenaston House built in 1912. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places 1985.

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NEWELL GIRLS BASKETBALL

Newell Girls Pull Off Win Against Tigers

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NEWELL – The Newell Lady Irrigators hosted the New Underwood Tigers on Tuesday, February 15 and grabbed a win 42-40.

The Irrigators outscored the Tigers 6-2 in the first period. Hailey McCann, Taylor Gaer and Jaelyn Wendt all hit one each for the Newell score.

Gaer heated things up with two from the arc for six points, while Rachel Erk and Wendt hit from inside the arc. Wendt also hit one of two at the line, to give Newell 11 points. The Tigers outscored them by three points in the period, 14-11, giving Newell a very slight edge of 17-16 at the end of the half.

Again, in the third period, the Tigers took the advantage, 16-13, giving them the lead 32-30 at the end of three. Gaer again hit a trey as well as a field goal. Wendt put four points on the board on two field goals, while Kim Johnson and McCann also hit from inside the paint.

In the fourth quarter the Irrigators outscored the Tigers 12-8, which gave them the win. Newell's Gaer once more stepped it up with two three-pointers as well as a field goal. Erk and Wendt came in with a field goal each for a total 12. That gave Newell the win, 42-40.

Q: N-6, 17, 30, 42. NU-2, 16, 32, 40. Erk-2, 0, 0/0, 4; McCann-2, 0, 0/0, 4; Gaer-3, 5, 0/0, 21; Wendt-5, 0, 1/4, 11; Johnson-1, 0, 0/0, 2.

Newell Girls Pull Off Win Against Tigers

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NEWELL – In a double-header of boys' and girls' basketball against the Dupree Tigers in Austin Auditorium on Thursday night, the Newell girls went down to defeat, 47-28.

The first quarter saw the girls' hang steady with their opponents, 16-11. Newell's points came from a field goal each by Hailey McCann, Jaelyn Wendt, and Sydnee Kjellsen. McCann also dropped in an extra point following a field goal foul. Kim

NEWELL BOYS BASKETBALL -

Johnson went two of two at the charity stripe.

Things went south for the hometown team in the second period as they managed to put just six points on the boards, a field goal each by Taylor Gaer and Kjellsen, with two more at the free throw line by Wendt. That gave Dupree a lead of 28-17 at the half.

The third quarter was even worse for Newell as they scored five points, a field goal by Rachel Erk and a three-pointer by Gaer. Meanwhile, the Tigers hit for 11 points, giving them the

lead 39-22 at the end of three. More of the same as the team

More of the same as the team play ran cold for Newell in the fourth, a field goal by Johnson and Stacy Mahaffy, while Rachel Stranburg came into the game to score two of two at the free throw line. The final score was 47-28.

Q: N-11, 17, 22, 28. D-16, 28, 39, 47. Erk-1, 0, 0/0, 2; McCann-1, 0, 1/2, 3; Wendt-1, 0, 2/2, 4; S. Mahaffy-1, 0, 0/0, 2; Gaer-1, 1, 0/0, 5; Johnson-1, 0, 2/5, 4; Kjellsen-2, 0, 0/1, 4; Stranburg-0, 0, 4/4, 4.

Newell Boys Fall to Dupree; Burtzlaff Tallies 36

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NEWELL – The Newell Irrigators boys' basketball team hosted the Dupree Tigers on Thursday night, February 17. The Tigers brought a tough contest to the hometown team.

In the first quarter Dupree outscored the Irrigators by 23-16. Newell's points came primarily from Colton Burtzlaff with five field goals. Jaden Tennis hit from the three-point line and James Davidson went one of two at the line, as well as a field goal.

Things slammed to a halt for

Newell in the second quarter as they scored just four points off a field goal each by Tennis and Burtzlaff. Meanwhile, Dupree knocked down 22 points. The half ended 45-20.

Burtzlaff got a second wind in the third period, hitting from inside the arc five more times for 10 points. Teammates Tennis, Chase VanDerBoom and Devon Jones all nailed field goals while Davidson hit from the arc, giving Newell 17 points in the period to the Tigers 12. But the Irrigators were still down 57-37.

The fourth period saw Burtz-laff continue to hold the team as

the only player scoring. He hit four field goals, a three and five of five at the charity stripe for 16 points in the period, a total of 36 in the game. Newell went

down by 20, 73-53. Q: N-16, 20, 37, 53. D-23, 45, 57, 73. Davidson-1, 1, 1/4, 6; VanDerBoom-1, 0, 0/0, 2; Tennis-2, 1, 0/0, 7; Burtzlaff-15, 1, 5/5, 36; Jones-1, 0, 0/0, 2.

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Newell's high school photography class, under the leadership of Mrs. Burt, enjoyed a day of photography at Wind Cave. - Courtesy Photo



Congrats to the following athletes who competed in the Knights of Columbus District Free Throw Championship. The three first placers advance to state in Chamberlain. Whitley Wendt 2nd place, Grant Hagen-1st, Rylan Gross-1st, Mesa Mangis-2nd, Brilee Heath-1st. - Courtesy photo

Newell School Happenings NEWELL - There's always as well.

NEWELL – There's always something going on at Newell school, and some of the events even take the students to new learning experiences outside of the campus.

This past week there was the opportunity for the high school photography class, under the leadership of Mrs. Burt, the teacher, to experience new opportunities for photography, underground. That presents a

challenge but the students enjoyed their day at Wind Cave Park both above and underground.

The sophomore and junior classes attended the career fair hosted by Sturgis Brown High School The students enjoyed learning about the wide variety of career options available.

The time is here to order your 2021-2022 Newell yearbook. Students Pre-k-12 are featured in this yearbook. The cost is \$40.72. Orders are due by February 25th, 2022 with the late order deadline being February 28th (will have a late fee)

Delivery will be mid-summer. An announcement will be made on the website when they arrive.

Scan the QR code for the link

as well. https://link.entourageyearbooks. com/my/Newell2022

Newell School District has the following teacher openings for the 2022-2023 school year-8-12th agriculture teacher, 9-12th

English teacher, K-12th vocal/band teacher. Information to apply for these positions can be found on the following website-https:// www.newell.k12. sd.us/page/employment-opportunities.

Newell School District is looking for two paraprofessional positions for this school year. If you are interested, please fill out the job application below by Wednesday March 9th. Applications can be dropped off at the school or emailed to andrew. fergen@k12.sd.us. https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.

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Good luck at state in March!



Most of the girls' basketball team and a couple others gathered to sing the national anthem at the last home boys' basketball game on Friday. - Courtesy photo





(Left) Many Newell students attended a job fair last week. Here Devon Jones, James Duncan and Gavin Tesch listen to a company representative share about his business. (Right) Megan Jackson, center, and other Newell students attended a job fair in Sturgis recently where they listened to companies give their pitch. This was about engineering. - Courtesy photos





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