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### **Belle Fourche:** City on a Hill

Meg English

Special to the Beacon In 1630, John Winthrop, a Puritan leader, coined the phrase "City on a Hill" in reference to the Massachusetts Bay Colony and how it would "shine" as an example to the world, as an ideal place to live.

The Massachusetts Bay Colony was one of the first settlements in the New World.

While visiting with the recently appointed members of the Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for this article, I was reminded of Winthrop's "City on a Hill"

Each of the new board members expressed a vision for Belle Fourche similar to Winthrop's vision for The Massachusetts Bay Colony. Each new board member expressed an appreciation for Belle Fourche's unique western history, geography, and ideals. The resounding enthusiasm for their community from the new board members was an echoing theme. Collectively, the new board members see Belle Fourche as a growing community with the potential to "shine" as an example to other small towns, much in the same way that John Winthrop envisioned The Massachusetts Bay Colony.

Hence, the title of this article, Belle Fourche: City on a Hill.

In January, The Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce welcomed eight new board members: Dr. Jade Larson, Lee Capp, Heidi Parker, Nikki Hoyme, Tallia Nighswonger, Rachel Woodruff, Rachel Nelson, Toniya Canales. Each will serve a three- year term.

Current president, Mona Heimbaugh and vice-president Sheila Hodge are both enthusiastic leaders with considerable experience. Both Mona and Sheila appreciate the importance of the chamber board



Sheila Hodge

(Pierre, SD) - State Rep-

announced last week that she is

South Dakota State House since

2017, is a US Air Force veteran,

"We need more of South Dako-

Howard has served in the

a businesswoman, and a wife

resentative Taffy Howard

running for Congress.

and mother.

### **World Day of Prayer**



Approximately 60 individuals attended the ecumenical World Day of Prayer this year held at the First Baptist Church in Belle Fourche on March 4. World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. Beautiful inspirational music was shared by local popular gospel group. "The Pickers". A program of prayer and thanksgiving featuring countries of Wales, Northern Ireland, and England was presented by Colleen Anderson, Pastor Kimberly Bachman, Lily Nussbaum, Charlotte Fladmoe, and Maureen Beals. Following the program, the crowd attended an English Tea Party in the fellowship hall beautifully decorated by Mary Wendt and long time participants of the World Day of Prayer annual event.. It was an afternoon spent in the presence of God and enjoyed by all. Thanks go out to everyone who participated, provided, and worked the event. Special thanks to our hosts, First Baptist Church. - Courtesy Photo



Mona Heimbaugh

and understand the positive impact the chamber can have on businesses and quality of life for all people in Belle Fourche. "We really are looking out for the best interests of the community" Sheila commented. Both Mona and Sheila are Belle Fourche natives. Although Sheila left the area for 17 years, the Hodges recently returned when the opportunity to purchase Pete's Clothing presented itself. Sheila and her family are glad to be back.

According to Mona Heimbaugh chamber leadership involves a large picture view. "The role of the chamber of commerce is to help businesses support one another." She commented. Businesses must be willing to see their business as one piece in a larger community. "What's already good,

Chamber A3

### **Examination of City Books Continues, CPA to Attend Next Council Meeting**

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The examination of the city's finance records is progressing well and the firm hired to look into the records reports they will be present at the next city council meeting this coming

On Dec. 20th of last year the Belle Fourche City council authorized Mayor Randy Schmidt to sign two engagement letters with certified public accountant firm Casey Peterson and Associates of Rapid City for services related to bank reconciliation, consulting, and annual report preparation for this past year.

The second engagement letter is more involved and is for preparation of the city's financial statement for 2021.

"Casey Peterson will be at the next council meeting on March 21st to give their report," said Mayor Randy Schmidt. "They are still transferring some information and finance records over into gWorks. Their estimated completion date of this will be the end of March."

gWorks is an Omaha-based software company that licenses their product to the city to keep track of finances and accounting as well as provide for online payment systems. Casey Peterson is making sure all relevant data has been moved into the system as they work to complete bank reconciliation and compile data to complete an upcoming audit.

Interim City Finance Officer Jason LaFayette says Casey Peterson will only focus on 2021. Any financial matters going further back will continue to be under the purview of the firm that has done the city's audits for the past several years, Independent Audit Services (IAS) of Madison, SD, a state approved firm.

Ben Elliott from IAS has performed past city audits and Mayor Schmidt said Elliott was expected to be on site this week.

"He will be here to gather more documents for 2021 and will complete audits for 2020 and 2021 at the same time," Schmidt said. "When he's com-

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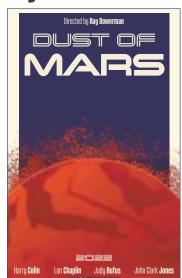
### Beacon's Cody Robinson Wins Addy

Belle Fourche Beacon graphic artist Cody Robinson was one of 16 Black Hills State University award winners at the Black Hills American Advertising Federation (ADDY) awards held February 25th in Rapid City.

Robinson is a senior from northeast Colorado and is responsible for many of the ads that you see in the Beacon each week. Robinson was a Silver Award recipient, and it is the second year in a row she has been honored for her work. Her work this year featured a faux movie poster entitles "Dust of

Mars.' BHSU had six Gold Award winners including Nicole Klungness who won two medals and took home Best of Show honors. Troy Pheko received four gold medals and the Judges

Choice Award. Gold Addy Award Winners will now move on to the regional competitions in Minneapolis, and if they are successful there,



they will move on to the national competition.

The Addy's single out the best advertising projects from the past year in photography and graphic design. Black Hills State University students took home 35 awards total.

"I am so proud of our students," said graphic design professor

Gina Gibson, "And I appreciate the Black Hills Chapter of the AAF, they give opportunities for our students throughout the year. These awards are just one of the many wonderful things

being offered." "It was amazing to see not only the quality of the work that our students were creating; but also, the vast breadth of the work created in both photography and graphic design." said Allen Morris, BHSU photography professor. "I think that it is safe to say that if you want great commercial artists - look no further than BHSU...and we have the awards to prove it!' Fellow photography professor Jerry Rawlings echoed their sentiments following the awards. "I simply could not be any prouder of our students. This is a tremendous accomplishment on their part."

The Addy's are the largest and most prestigious awards given out by the advertising industry in the United States.

#### ta in Washington DC," Howard said. "I'm running to bring elecand pushes the woke agenda. tion integrity, to find solutions to the immigration crisis, and of American families and indiam fighting to fix the debt. I'm excited about the future, and multinational corporations.' what South Dakota values can "We've met overwhelming do to fix DC.' Howard supports a full audit for Congress," said Howard.

**Rep. Taffy Howard Announces** 

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of the 2020 General Election and voted for election integrity legislation. [1] She co-sponsored South Dakota's pro-gun Constitutional Carry law [2], supports the right to life [3], and



Taffy Howard

[4]"I stand in firm opposition to Biden's so-called 'Build it Back Better' plan primarily because of the numerous new burdens on farmers, ranchers, business owners and families," Howard "The proposed \$3.5 trillion

is a strong proponent of lower

taxes and limited government.

in spending destroys job growth We must stand up for the needs viduals, not special interests and support in every corner of South Dakota as we explored running "During this 'pre-campaign' period, over \$110,000 has already been raised into the campaign and an allied SuperPAC.

Howard is Vice Chair of the House Appropriations Committee and is also a member of the Joint Committee on Appropriations as well as the House Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

Howard received a B.S. in mathematics from SDSU, was commissioned as an Air Force officer through the AFROTC program at SDSU, and earned her jump wings at the US Army Airborne School at Ft. Benning,

She and her husband Mark were both stationed at Ellsworth AFB and have made their home in Rapid City for 28 years.



Belle Fourche Mayor Randy Schmidt (left) presents Belle Fourche Police Chief Marlyn Pomrenke with a certificate of appreciation for his five year's service as police chief. Pomrenke announced last month that he was retiring from law enforcement after more than 35 years. He has been Chief of Police in Belle Fourche since 2017. The presentation was made at the City Council's regular meeting on March 7th. The certificate reads: Given with sincere appreciation for your outstanding contributions as Chief of Police for the Belle Fourche Police Department and the citizens of the city of Belle Fourche - signed Randy Schmidt, Mayor. Beacon Photo

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### Randy Keffeler 60

Randy Keffeler was born to this life in Sturgis, SD on September 10, 1961, and entered eternal life on March 4, 2022. He met his soulmate of 28 years, Susie, and they were married February 26, 1993. They raised two sons; Austin Cole (Kelsey) and Chaney Lee. Randy attended school in Stoneville K-8th

grade and then attended high school in Newell. Upon completion of school, he continued his passion of ranching and farming. Randy and Susie initially lived in the old Staulbaum house where he worked the family ranch and eventually moved to the home place on Red Owl Creek, where they continued raising their family and working the ranch. In 2020 they decided to leave the ranch and they moved to town into Piedmont where they both found work and fostered very strong relationships with their neighbors and church family.

Where do we all begin in defining Randy Keffeler? If you were to ask Randy if he met strangers, he would quickly say there are no strangers in this world, just friends you haven't met yet. He opened his life to everyone and his presence was such that people knew him far and wide and he kept in touch with all of them. He positively impacted many lives and was loved by so many that it will surely leave an empty space in all our hearts. He always had a kind word and was genuinely interested and cared about how someone was feeling and doing. He wanted to know everything about you and you walked away knowing you had just made an instant friend. Randy was a giver and offered anything he could to help someone out; it never occurred to him that these intentions were exceptional to most of us, in his mind it was just how you treated family, friends, and anyone who happened to be lucky enough to meet him.

Randy coached several youth teams and loved to be



around kids. The church youth would clamor to get candy from Randy not knowing he was giving them vitamins. We also learned that, according to Randy, peppermint essential oil cures any ailment. Is there anyone out there who hasn't heard how much he adored his corn and John Deere equipment? There was so

much more to Randy's life that it can't be put into words. Everyone has a story to tell and they are all good. Randy's life was truly defined by his community and the land he dearly loved.

But this is not the end of Randy's story as he was introduced to his Savior, Jesus Christ, then followed with the steps of obedience and baptism on September 23, 2018, and his life was impacted in a way that was indescribable to him. This brought him an even larger family and community to embrace and opened avenues of love, worship, and spiritual growth that profoundly impacted his life in so many ways.

Randy is survived by his wife, Susie; sons, Austin Cole (Kelsey) and Chaney Lee; mother, Darliene Keffeler; mother-in-law, Shirley Carter; his sisters, Mary Anne Lange (Kurt), Wanda Schuelke (Marty); brothers, Danny Keffeler, Rodney Keffeler, and Todd Keffeler; sister-in-law, Karen Workman; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Maurice. A celebration of life was held on Saturday March 12, 2022, at the Central Meade County Community Center, Union Center, at 2:00 pm. Randy was laid to rest in Red Owl at Pleasant View Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to First National Bank in Faith, SD. Condolences for the family may be sent to www.kinkadefunerals.com.



### **Harlan Palo 83**

Harlan Alvin Palo, 83, of Newell, SD, passed away peacefully in Spearfish, SD, on March 8, 2022.

Harlan was born May 10, 1938, in Belle Fourche, SD, to Alvin and Mary (Lakson) Palo. He was raised and grew up on the family farm near Newell, SD. He lived there his entire 83 years, working the farm, irrigating, raising sheep, cattle and his family.

Harlan attended Newell School until his graduation in 1956. He was active in 4-H and FFA while in school and was elected State FFA president in 1957. Harlan met Joan in high school, and they were married on May 24, 1958, in Newell. They experienced almost 64 years of marriage. They were blessed with 5 children, Teresa, Diane, Jim, Gary and Rich.

Harlan enjoyed everything to do with hunting and fishing. He had a deer and antelope license every year since he was 12 years of age. Harlan made many trips east river to hunt pheasants where he made lasting friendships. He even had the opportunity to shoot a wild boar in Florida. He also enjoyed great times on fishing trips to Alaska, Florida, and Lake Oahe near Mobridge,

He worked in Deadwood in the early 90s dealing Blackjack and as a floor supervisor. Too active to retire,

Harlan became a contract mail driver for 15 years taking mail to the Opal area, driving 140 miles roundtrip 6 days a week until the last 5 months of

He loved playing in the Blackjack tournaments in Deadwood and attending his grandchildren's sporting events. He was a Belle Fourche Irrigation District board member for 28 years.

Harlan is survived by his wife, Joan (DeGarlais); children, Teresa (Dudley) Bethea, Whitewood, SD, Diane (Kevin) VanderMay, Norris, SD, Jim Palo, Newell, SD, Gary (Mary) Palo, Hot Springs, SD, and Richard Palo, Newell, SD; and by his niece, Janice (Barry) Thompson of Kingsley, IA, and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Lorraine Henry; and daughter-in-law, Cheryl Palo.

Services were handled by Kinkade Funeral Chapel with burial at Snoma Finnish Cemetery, Fruitdale, SD. A memorial has been established to the Newell

Ambulance and the Newell Fire Dept. Send condolences to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

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### **Phyllis Clary-Poignee 87**

Phyllis Clary-Poignee, 87, Rapid City, SD, passed away on March 9, 2022. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, 2022



at Kirk Funeral Home with visitation starting at 1 p.m. Interment will be at a later date at Black Hills National Cemetery.

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### **Danny Viegrets 72**

Danny Lew Viergets, 72, of Alzada, MT passed away in his home March 4, 2022.

He was born in Belle Fourche, S. on March 4, 1950, to Lew and Velma Viergets of Alzada, MT. Danny graduated from Belle Fourche High School in 1968. After graduation he attended Miles City Montana College. After college Danny returned home to the ranch, where he worked sun up to sun down alongside his father Lew. Danny, taking pride in his appearance never missed an opportunity to work on his tan or find a workout in whatever work he was doing. He always wanted to look good, and always did. After the death of his father Lew in 1999 and mother Velma in 2005, Danny kept the ranch going until he finally decided to retire in 2015. He sold his herd and leased the land, but continued to help out whenever he could.

Danny loved and took pride in cleaning and working on all of his motorcycles and cars. He was always very particular about the tiniest details in them. When he wasn't working on or cleaning them, he would find every opportunity to take them out racing around towns and cruising through the Black Hills spending time with

Danny was a character, always had a smile on his face and always seemed to have a new story to tell. He loved

talking to anyone about everything under the sun. He often said he "held them hostage" but only to earn of their stories and opinions on matters portant to him at the time. His easy-going relaxed nature made him a delight to be around. He had a lot of friends and was always the life of the party. He loved his animals and always went above and beyond to take care of them.

Danny had a young soul, and a giant heart full of love. He will be deeply missed and cherished forever. As he would say "See ya later."

Danny is survived by his son, Logan Brown (Amanda) Lead, SD; sister, Patsy Nygaard (Bill) Rapid City, SD; niece, Mechele Nygaard, Rapid City; nephew, Mike Nygaard (Tascha, Erik and Jake) Florence, MT. Danny was preceded in death by his parents, Lew and Velma.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Alza-

da Fire Hall and Community Hall. Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 19, at 1:00 pm at Kline Funeral Chapel in Belle Fourche. Interment will follow at Pine Slope Cemetery in Belle

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From A1 Chamber can even be made better." Mona explained. "How we get there is the question." Sheila Hodges agrees that everyone benefits when businesses support one another. "As a chamber we are trying to make all boats rise with the tide."

Although they come from diverse professional backgrounds, the new members clearly share the vision of their leaders. Each of them shares a commitment to Belle Fourche and each expresses an interest in the chamber of commerce being a larger part of the quality of life in Belle Fourche.



Jade Larson, Heidi Parker and Lee Capp are all Belle Fourche natives. Jade was born and raised in Belle Fourche. After high school graduation in 2007 left to attend The University of Sioux Falls where he played football and earned a bachelor of science degree in biology. Next he moved to Bloomington, Minnesota to study at Northwestern Health Sciences University College of Chiropractic. There he met his wife, Rebecca. Since 2014, the couple and their four children have lived in Belle Fourche where Jade practices at the Tri-State Chiropractic. "I love the authenticity and integrity of the people of Belle Fourche. Also, the geographical region and scenery of the area is second to none"



Lee Capp moved to Belle Fourche at the age of four. He attended Belle Fourche schools for all thirteen grades. Lee is a veteran. After high school graduation in 1989 Lee served in the US Army where he spent two years in Germany in addition to several months in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. Currently, Lee is a supervisor at one of the American Colloid plants in Colony. He attended the Belle Fourche Development Class of 2019/2020 where he learned how Belle Fourche functions and about the businesses that have thrived in Belle Fourche. "I believe Belle Fourche is on the verge of great growth." Lee said. His goals are to help guide the chamber as Belle Fourche begins this new stage of development.



Heidi Parker

Heidi Parker is the City Council Liason. She is the only other new member who grew up in Belle Fourche. Heidi holds a bachelor of science degree in communication studies from South Dakota State University in Brookings. She raised her children in Rapid City and returned to Belle Fourche in 2019 when she and her husband bought a historic home that they are lovingly renovating. When Heidi is not working in healthcare or serving on city council, she can be found with her family and friends, enjoying the outdoors, gardening, at a concert, traveling, or seeking out vintage treasures. Heidi is employed at Black Hills Vision



Nikki Hoyme Nikki Hoyme and

Tallia Nighswonger are also health care professionals. Nikki has worked in the rehabilitation department at Monument Health in Belle Fourche for nine years. Nikki grew up in Southwestern Minnesota, moved to Pierre in 5th grade where she graduated from high school. For the past 20 years, Nikki and her significant other, Clint have lived in Belle Fourche. Nikki is involved in animal rescue. She has a pug, "Captain Frank" and two cats. She and Clint foster animals on a regular basis. Nikki's expressed her vision for Belle Fourche "I would like to see Belle showcase all of the great things our community has to offer. We have so many great businesses and people in our community"



Talia Nighswonger

Tallia Nighswonger grew up in Hulette, Wyoming. Tallia works as the director of marketing for Jackson Dental. In January, she was elected to the Belle Fourche Economic **Development Corporation** Board of Directors. Each year a member of the economic development board sits on the chamber board to foster alignment between the two groups. Tallia has a bachelor of science degree in family and consumer sciences from SDSU in Brookings. She also has 17 years of corporate retail experience. The couple chose to relocate to Belle Fourche to raise their small children, Elle and Brock and to be closer to family. "We love the small town feel of Belle Fourche and are excited to raise our family here.'





Rachel Woodruff

Rachel Woodruff is originally from Sturgis and went to college in Vermillion at USD. She graduated with a bachelor of science in mass communications and public relations. Rachel, her husband Justin and daughter Rylee, 6 moved to Belle Fourche where Rylee attends 1st grade at South Park Elementary. Rachel is a market development executive for Beam Technologies. Her vision for the chamber is to continue the community's revitalization efforts, and promote incentives to attract young families and new small businesses to town. She would like to see more emphasis placed on housing and infrastructure as essential elements for growth.



Rachel Nelson

Rachel Nelson relocated to Belle Fourche in 2021 from Westminster, Colorado. Rachel studied English with a concentration in linguistics at Metropolitan State University in Denver.

"Back in 2020, when things started to change in the Denver area, my fiancé and I decided that we wanted to move to a state that we knew we would be happier in and that was more in line with our beliefs."

Rachel's vision for the chamber is to support small business owners through community events, marketing, and fundraising.

"As someone who is new to Belle Fourche, I know that I still have a lot to learn about this beautiful town. I want to be the voice for the people who work hard for the businesses they run and the town they love". Rachel is an administrative assistant for Neighbor-



Toniya Canales

Toniya Canales is proud to be a South Dakotan. Born and raised in Watertown, Toniya has 35 years experience in retail sales and business management. In November 2021 Tonyia started Redwater Market a gift shop featuring gourmet foods, jewelry, candles, wine



### BLACK HILLS ART GALA

This is a formal art gala taking place at the Matthews Opera House in Spearfish on March 18th from 5:30pm to 9pm. Killian's will be catering the event with light appetizers with beer and wine available as well. 605 Media will be videoing the evening and Black Hills Photography will be taking pictures for the red carpet. We have 9 artists from across the Midwest who will be displaying their art from water color and pyrography artists to photographers. Their works will be available for purchase that evening as well as silent auction paintings to benefit Grayson Chapeau and his ongoing battle with cancer.



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and much more. Tonyia loves treasures and old things and was inspired to open a market called junkin@the station It's open the second Saturday of every month Tonyia is excited to be on the chamber board and is eager to become involved in existing events. Three of Toniya's four adult children have also relocated to Belle Fourche.

She noted that Belle Fourche is a charming community with history and geographic proximity to the hills. "Belle Fourche is a special place..." Toniya commented at the conclusion of our discussion, once again repeating the theme shared among each of the new board members on the Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce.



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### Olivia Furrow: FFA Historian

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Meet the 2021-2022 Belle Fourche FFA Historian, Olivia Furrow.



Olivia Furrow

Olivia has been in FFA for four years, and this is the first year she has applied for an office. Her parents include Matt and Amber Schreder, as well as James and Chelsie Ogaard. She also has 4 siblings including her three sisters, Ellie, Hope, and Kinnley and her brother Owyn.

During her time in FFA Olivia has participated in multiple leadership and career development events. Some of these events include Food Science, Milk Quality, CCM, and Parliamentary Procedure. Olivia has been on the Parliamentary Procedure team ever since she joined FFA, and this year her team won state and are qualified to go to nationals next year.

Olivia says that this is her favorite memory she has withing the organization. Her favorite volunteer opportunity, however, was helping at the elementary school's petting zoo.

Olivia was first introduced to FFA when she and her friends went to an FFA meeting after volleyball practice in 8th grade. She credits joining FFA to the advisor, Austin Bishop, who pushed her to join.

Along with FFA, Olivia is involved in many extracurricular activities including NHS, YLT, and theater. In her free time Olivia likes to read and knit. In the future Olivia hopes to go to post-secondary school and become a teacher.

### **Shayla Howell Heads to NCAA Nationals**



Shayla Howell flies through the air during her triple jump qualification jump. Courtesy Photo

Colleen Brunner news@bellefourchebeacon.com

BELLE FOURCHE/LARA-MIE, WY – University of Wyoming athlete and former track and field star and graduate of Belle Fourche High School Shayla Howell (Colony, Wy) is in relatively new territory, practicing for her indoor long jump on Friday night, March 11 at the NCAA Indoor Championship in Birmingham, AL. But the runway leading to the long jump pit will be familiar by the time her competition begins on

Friday night. Howell, a graduate of Belle Fourche High School (BFHS) recently became the first female athlete in the University of Wyoming program to qualify to compete at the event at the NCAA Division I Indoor Championship. In high school she was named the Gatorade Female Track and Field Athlete of the Year in 2018 in South Dakota, and was highlighted in Faces in the Crown, in the Sports Illustrated 2017 edition. She placed at the state track meet 21 times and won 12 state titles. Howell also holds the Class A state records in the long jump, the triple jump and the 100-meter dash.

This year in preliminary qualifications at the collegiate level,

she broke through her 21-foot goal for a 21.4.75 (6.52 m) jump to qualify, and also ran a personal-best 7.50 in the 60-meter dash at the conference final on February 26 in Albuquerque. This slotted her into the top 10 among Division I competitors this season.

In 2019 she qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championships in 4x100-meter relay with her Wyoming teammates in Austin, TX, which motivated her to compete at the Division I indoor finals during her career. But, thanks to Covid, that indoor season never came to fruition. Howell also speaks about having veteran teammates as part of that relay, and how they presented at the national level, encouraging her as a freshman to push beyond her personal best.

But struggles to find motivation during the pandemic caused her to question whether she would even return to track and field. She nearly didn't, but a reliance on her strong faith, perseverance and resilience to help her rediscover the joy and passion in the sport.

"I found sanctuary on the ranch, and in rodeo," she said "It's a huge blessing in my life—when done with a sport (like track) you kind of lose a sense of purpose. Growing up on the

ranch, being competitive in rodeo, which I love as much, or maybe more than track, it gave me peace."

With the indoor season in 2020 never coming to fruition. "I just trusted God to get me where I needed to be, trusted my coach, tried to stay healthy and strong and in tune with my body," said Howell of that time. "I felt like I did myself, the program, and my coach justice."

In her qualifying event that sent her on to nationals, you can see Howell's enthusiasm evident in the video following her 21foot plus jump. Watching the scoreboard carefully, she jumps enthusiastically and gives a fist pump as she realizes she qualified.

In Birmingham she will jump against 15 other high-class women, the elite of the elite. Her goals: jump over 21-feet, and qualify for the indoor nationals.

"It's all in God's timing," she smiles. "I took each meet one at a time, doing the best I could at that meet."

In a late update from Birmingham on Friday night, Howell didn't have the best jumps she's ever had, but succeeded in earning Second-Team All-American Honors at the NCAA National

Howell went 20-5 on her third and final jump of the night, cementing her 14th place finish. With her performance, she now has the distinction of earning Second-Team All-American Honors in both Division I Indoor and Outdoor competition. "There's room for improvement for sure," said Howell. "Having people to look up to and people to push me in competition, I just focus on the Lord, myself, my fiancé, family and teammates." Following her focus on the outdoor season coming up quickly, this young Cowpoke said this summer she hopes to rope and ride horses professionally. "My fiancé is in same profession and that's a big blessing in my life." Howell's fiancé is three-time National Finals Rodeo Qualifier Brenten Hall.

Jamie has been a RDH with Nehl Dental for 10 years. Wow, it's great to have you part of the team!



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### **Belle Youth Wrestlers in Action**

Belle Fourche AAU wrestlers competed in the 2022 District 1 competition at Douglas.

District champs: Raelyn Harris, Ema Leach, Kyra Vandenberg, Royce Bachman, Bayzen



AAU Wrestlers huddle on the mat at start of last week's District Competition. Courtesy Wrestling photos

Curtis, Jeremy Merjil, Landon Swaney, Logan Gleason, Garet Huston, Clay Mackaben, Riley Dighton, & Lucas Tonsager.

Finish in 2nd Place: Riddik Randolph, Aiden Tope, Porter Tysdal, Caden Swaney, & Keagen Walker.

Finish in 3rd Place: Vincent Tysdal, Micah Coyle, Tate Krul, Jace Hiles, Cooper Conry, & Dylan Park.

Finish in 4th Place: Elizabeth Tonsager, Hudson Streeter, Braxton Randolph, Patrick Tysdal, Brady Hakala, Ezra Avalos, Max Coyle, & Kolby Tibbs.

Finishing in 5th Place: Jaxon Linch, & Nathan Hudson.

Finishing in 6th Place: Roman Randolph, Jacob Tonsager, & Elijah Beatson.

Finishing in 7th Place: Alexander Bush, Jackson Tope, & Jayden Hodge.

The top 8 wrestlers moved on to Regional Competition. (District Pictures on A6.)

### 20 Youth Wrestlers Punch Ticket to State

The Belle Fourche youth wrestling club competed two weeks ago at the District 1 tournament in Douglas, qualifying 39 of 40 wrestlers to compete at the Region 1 tournament this past weekend at Rapid City Central.

542 wrestlers were competing at Regionals to achieve their goals of being a state qualifier. Belle Fourche had 20 of those

athletes punch their ticket to the

state tournament in Sioux Falls March 25-27th.

Riddik Randolph, Royce Bachman, Patrick Tysdal, Bayzen Curtis, Jeremy Merjil, Landon Swaney, Jace Hiles, Logan Gleason, Caden Swaney, Cooper Conry, Garet Huston, Dylan Parks, Clay Mackaben, Riley Dighton, Keagen Walker, & Lucas Tonsager.

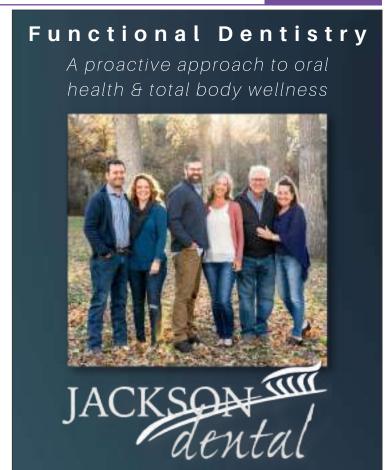
Girls division, Raelyn Harris,

Ema Leach, & Kyra Vandenberg.

Also qualifying in the freestyle division was Owyn Schreder. This is the most Belle Fourche has ever sent to the AAU state tournament.

The club had around 65 wrestlers out this winter and is always looking for more.

Thanks to all the volunteers and coaches!







**Braxton Randolph** 





Jayden Hodge



Raelyn Harris



Royce Bachman



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



St. Patrick's Day is tomorrow and it might be time to throw a few

jokes your way, as it seems the holiday inspires corn beef & cabbage, good humor, and for some a nice glass of Guinness Stout.

A waiter working in a noisy bar & restaurant when a vacationing North Dakotan stumped him with

a drink order. He approached the bartender. "Have you ever heard of a drink called 'Seven Young Blondes'?" I asked.

He admitted he'd never heard of it, and grabbed a drink guidebook to look it up. Unable to find the recipe, he then asked me to go back and tell the patron that he'd be happy to make the drink if he could list the ingredients for him. "Sir," I asked the customer, "can you tell me what's in that drink?"

He looked at me like I was crazy. "It's wine," he said, pronouncing his words carefully, "Sauvignon blanc."

A lady was with her husband at a baseball game in Boston's Fenway Park when she decided to go get herself a hot dog. As she stood up her husband asked her to buy him a beer.

When she got to the concession stand, the young clerk at the concession stand asked to see verification of age.

"You've got to be kidding," I said. "I'm almost 40 years old." He apologized, but said he had to insist. When I showed him my license, the clerk served me the beer. "That will be \$5.25."

She gave him \$10 and told him to keep the change. "The tip's for carding me," she said.

He put the change in the tip cup. "Thanks," he said. "Works every

A Reader's Digest joke: "My friend asked his father-in-law, a crop-duster, how his day had gone. "It was the worst day of my life," replied the man. "This morning I was up in my plane dusting a field when I nicked a power line and damaged the wing of the plane. When I got back to the office, my boss chewed me out. Then the guy from the FAA chewed me out. On my way home, I stopped off at a bar and was handed a warm beer. So I yelled at the bartender, 'Don't you have any cold beers?'

The bartender said, 'Sorry, but we've been out of electricity

- By: Doug Cole all day ever since some idiot crop-duster hit a power line down the road."

— Essie Conley

A sign on Washington's Route 8, featuring an illustration of a police car with lights flashing, reads: "If you drink and drive, we'll provide the chasers."

An amnesiac walks into a bar. He goes up to a beautiful blonde and says, "So, do I come here often?"

Our first day of vacation at a resort a man and his wife decided to hit the beach.

He went back to our room to get something to drink, one of the hotel maids was making up the bed.

He grabbed his cooler and was on my way out when he paused and asked the maid, "Can we drink beer on the beach?"

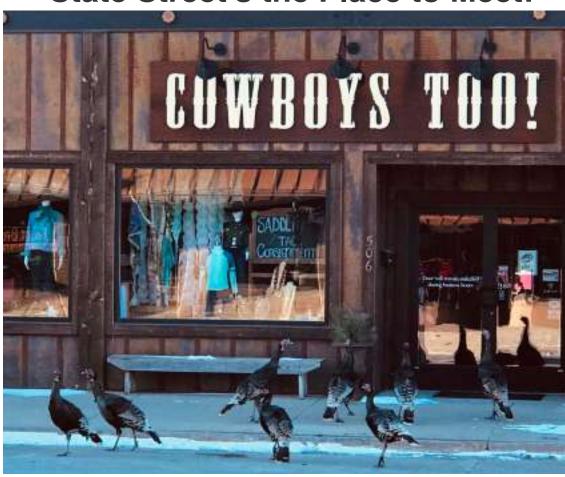
"Sure," she said, "but I have to finish the rest of the rooms first."

Charles Dickens walks into a bar and orders a martini. The bartender asks, "Olive or twist?"

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### South Dakota Youth Hunting Adventures

**Bill Eastman** Special to the Beacon

South Dakota Youth Hunting Adventures (SDYHA) is a partnership between volunteer sports men and women and the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Black Hills organization. This wonderful collaboration's sole purpose is to provide hunting, fishing and other outdoor adventures for youth that may not have had the opportunity to enjoy what the great outdoors has to offer. The goal to instill in young people a lifelong enthusiasm and respect for the outdoors, wildlife, the land, as well as to teach hunter safety, ethics, wildlife, and habitat conservation. It is more than a hunt, it's a connection as these matches between adult and youth typically turn into lifelong friendships.

Mentoring is the key to success! SDYHA works hard to create one of the finest mentoring programs with the most dedicated mentors. A great deal of emphasis is put on properly preparing the mentor for his or her role with the hunting youth. Mentoring provides opportunities to forge a relationship with the outdoors and connect with other people.

Our mentors are experienced hunters within South Dakota! They have knowledge, passion They are a friend, confidant and a guide. They truly care about helping children develop a love for hunting and other outdoor related activities. They are supportive and encouraging, patient, open minded and good listeners. The mentors are willing to give the time and attention that is needed for supporting youth. SDYHA originated out of the Rapid City area and has now expanded to the Northern Black Hills, Hot Springs and Mitchell. The Northern Hills branch of SDYHA currently has 12 matches within the Newell, Nisland, Belle Fourche, Sturgis, and Spearfish area. We encourage any potentially interested NH youth and their families, as well as potential adult mentors, to contact Christian Hagen with Big Brothers Big Sisters at 605-643-1488 or SD Game Fish and Parks staff member Bill Eastman at 605-391-1575. You can also check out the program at South Dakota Youth Hunting

and expertise for hunting. They

also have something to share.

Adventures and on Facebook. We would love to tell you about the program and the fun that we The Northern Hills branch of SDYHA would like to thank

the many landowners who have

opened their properties up to

our group for so many wonderful memories to be made. We would also like to thank everyone who has donated to the program (hunts, taxidermy work, equipment, and donations). You are all a very valuable part of the SDYHA team. THANK YOU ALL

Some added info regarding the

program: o The focus is for kids with a potential interest in hunting that may not have the chance or opportunity to learn or participate otherwise

o Mentors go through a thorough background check o The program supplies all equipment and supplies needed



(firearms, fishing equipment, boots, coats, gloves, etc.) o We really need more mentors and kids in the NH



The young hunter is Kanjon Van Matre of Belle and that is his first turkey. Posing with Kanjon with the fan is his Youth Hunting Adventures Mentor Dave Daygin and Sheriff Fred **Lamphere** who donated the tail mounting. *Courtesy Photos* 



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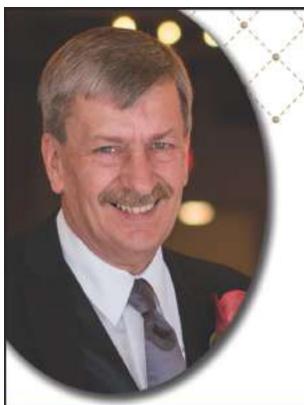




South Dakota and then take questions after that. Bowman Hall is located at Jackson and 8th Avenue across from the BF Police Station in Herrmann Park. For information call (605) 593-6209.







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### **NOMINATIONS FOR 2021-2022** BELLE FOURCHE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

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Swan, Tom Or Karen, Newell SD			
Thompson & Sons, Ww, Spearfish SD	1	Blk Hfrt	925 \$100.00
Thompson & Sons, Ww, Spearfish SD	1	Bld Cow	1130 \$83.50
Weigh Up Bulls			
Bryant, Scott, Sturgis SD			
Bryant, Scott, Sturgis SD	1	Herf Bull	1595 \$90.50

### **Friday, March 18, 2022**

Bred Cow Special 9:00 AM - Weigh Up Cattle - 11:00 AM - Bred Cows -12:00 Noon - Feeder Cattle

BT-Branding Time Shots PC-PreCondition Shots DF-Drug Free BV-Bangs Vaccinated NI- No Implants

### **Bred Hefiers & Cows**

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Hillsview Ranch, Sturgis SD.

Lemke, Michael, Gillette WY.

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Levin, Cory, Hereford SD ....

Davis, Douglas Or Julia, Belle Fourche SD..1....

Mcpherson, Fred J, Sturgis SD ......1 ....

Open Box Cattle Co LLC, Gillette WY........1 ....

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Sparks, Thomas, Plevna MT .....

Stilwell, Larry, Box Elder SD .....

Tate, David & Rhoda, Gillette WY...

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#### Sheep Report - Thursday, March 10, 2022

Good Run Of Sheep Today Not Many Lambs But What We Had Sold Higher

Next Sale - March 17th - Regular Sale - 1 PM

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#### **NEWELL SHEEP YARDS**

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#### **2022 SHEEP SALES**

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news@bellefourchebeacon.comBELLE FOURCHE-Bids were opened at a special meeting held at 1 p.m. on February15 for two tracts owned by the county near Mill Street in the Belle Fourche area. DA Peterson, LLC bid \$195,900 on parcel S consisting of 6.53A, and \$60,000 on Parcel Q consisting of 7.73A.

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on the 6.53A and 7.73A tracts. All bids received for the Real Estate offered by the county were

rejected by the commissioners at the regular commission meeting held March 1. The commissioners have several other options now open for them.

Commissioner Stan Harms asked if it would be possible to enter into was possible to go through the bid process again with a minimum bid or have a private sale.

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The commission can accept bids that are 90% of the appraised land value.

Finally, the commissioners decided that a final decision would be added to the agenda and discussed in the future.

The Northern Hills Retired School Personnel will be meeting on Monday, March 21,2022 at the Senior Center in Spearfish, SD at 1:00

Sturgis will be the host town. Our speaker will be Julia O'Neil King. Her presentation Is "Walking the Spanish Camino de Santiago. Julia has traveled more than 500 miles of this ancient pilgrimage trek and will share her story with the group. Anyone who is a retired school personnel is invited to attend.







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life;

Or how my poor mistreated spouse, is still my loving wife

We had a bunch of baby ducks that a hen hatched out

one year. They left in fall but came back next spring; and how

did they get here?

A pronghorn will adopt an orphan; but no other wild creature will.

You CAN make a cow take a bummed calf, if you got knowledge and the skill.

A seed hits the ground and next spring a new plant grows from that. Kids can eat everything in

sight, and still never seem to get fat.

People moving far away will sometimes leave a pet

Sometime later here comes that pet; and he's got an axe to grind.

Amazements happen all the time, we just have to look to

If you want astonishment sometime, check out the life of a be.

The one that I have marveled at since I was just a mere youth;

Is when we find out a politician has finally told us the truth!





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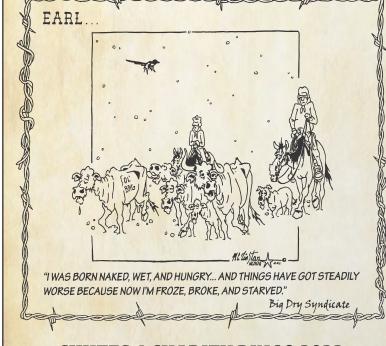
### BARREL RACING STANDINGS

2022

Rank	Name	Hometown	Money Won
1	Wenda Johnson	Pawhuska, OK	\$24,520.00
2	Brittany Pozzi Tonozzi	Lampasas, TX	\$23,515.94
3	Jordon Briggs	Tolar, TX	\$22,177.23
4	Hailey Kinsel	Cotulia, TX	\$21,100.75
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by Jim Thompson



Radio host Jim Thompson takes motivational stories that listeners and readers send him and incorporates them into the a daily program he calls "The Good Stuff." It has been on the air for more than 10 years. The Beacon is honored to host the written version of some of Jim's classic episodes and we proudly present them here.

Recently I got a letter from a poet friend and great singer, Bob Petermann from Montana. He sent a poem that he'd written over 25 years ago. "Jim, he said, this is more true today than when I wrote it" He's darned sure right and I want to share it with you as well:

### The Answer's Written Down

Some folks read the paper, or watch the TV news; To hear the country's leaders, expound upon their views.

Then they try to figure out what's happenin' today; why the problems just keep building and don't seem to go away.

Friends, the answer can't be found in Washington, D.C. Congress cannot write a law to alter history.

History's course has been decided, it's all written in a book. Our nations problems could be answered if they'd just slow down and look.

They're found in the Old Testament where Daniel prophesied; How the governments would self destruct, from their false wisdom and their pride.

Then it tells in Revelation and explains to us just how Christ returns to claim whats His and every knee shall bow. So why don't Congress throw about half those laws away; and call a special session, just to bow their heads and pray. To ask for Gods forgiveness for the mess this country's in; and help us all to trust in Him, to make it great again.

by Bob Petermann

Thanks Bob...and thanks folks for reading. Jim t

### **BFHS Rodeo Club Annual Rodeo Dinner**



The Belle Fourche High School Rodeo Club held their annual rodeo dinner and auction Sat. March 5th at the Community Hall. A steak supper was prepared by the Branding Iron Steak House and served by the club members. Following the meal, there was a live auction and a silent auction held. A large, generous crowd was in attendance. The money will be divided up amongst the 28 club members to be used for the upcoming rodeo season. A big Thank You from all club members to all who attended, donated or purchased at this event. Courtesy photo

### PRCA has expanded its Pro Officials to 12

The Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association implemented changes to its Pro Officials Program, beginning on March 1.

"Traditionally there has been eight Pro Officials," said Rick Smith, PRCA's Supervisor of Pro Officials. "This year we have expanded it to 12 Pro Officials."

Smith said five of the 12 Pro Officials have been Pro Officials and are returning. That group consists of Cliff Overstreet, George Gibbs, Joe Bob Locke, Harry Rose Jr., and

Mike Todd. These veteran Pro Officials are joined by newcomers Paul Cleveland, Terry Carlon, Rocky

Steagall, Skip Emmett, Carl

Burkholder, Chuck Hoss, and Scot Quick.

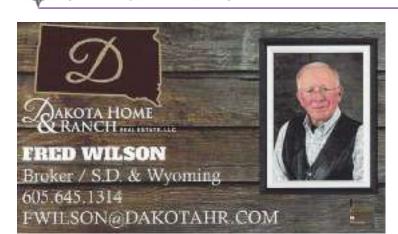
"All 12 of these guys are assigned as needed and of course they will be involved in our bigger rodeos," Smith said.

The Wrangler Pro Officials Program was designed in 1981 by Ken Stemler and had eight full-time Pro Officials. The idea was to build a base of qualified judges. Before the program, every PRCA contestant was required to judge one rodeo a year, if called upon, but the competency level was impossible to control.

The original eight full-time Wrangler Pro Officials responsibilities included overseeing the draw, flagging the timed

events, watching the score line, and judging roughstock rides. Their job is to make critical calls instantly.

"We have set this up a little different now," Smith said. "They are contract employees now. The length of these contracts is varied from one year to three years. One of the things we wanted to try to accomplish was give these reserve officials an opportunity to move up through the system. In the past, the judges (Pro) Officials didn't change much from year-to-year. Now there will be four contracts up every year. That doesn't mean you will replace 4 people but there's the option to replace four people.





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KAREN ODELL

The cold is still hanging on. Alvin Cordell had eight below one night, along the Little Missouri. By Friday, it was warming up, and we hope for warmer weather in the coming week. Marlee went in to Belle Fourche for a dentist appointment, on Tuesday. Rod Bisgaard came out to the ranch to help Alvin with calving for a few days, this week. He came on Wednesday, and stayed until Saturday. Alvin is calving heifers, and the cattle are using lots of feed. The grass is very low across the area, so we are hoping for spring rains. On Friday, Alvin and Marlee went in to Camp Crook for the Chuck Humbracht funeral. On Saturday, Alvin was keeping track of the Black Hills State basketball games. They were at a tournament, and were in Texas. They had won their first two games, so were positioned very well in the NCAA 2 national standings. Denin Cheguis made a trip to Colorado, on Friday, to pick up a Black-Mouthed Mountain Curr pup for Ryan's

After church at Ladner on Sunday, Gene Secrest stayed to help Clint Zolnoski for a few days. Gene and Evert Johnson stopped by at Ronda Cordell's, on Wednesday. Evert used the phone to check on a truck load of hay, that was following his load down from North Dakota. Diane Wear came from Ekalaka, that afternoon. She went to Buffalo to pick up her grandson, Ryker Douglas, and they came

back to spend until Friday. On his way back to North Dakota, on Friday morning, James Douglas came by to get Ryker, and take him home. Diane went back to Ekalaka that day, and Ronda went to Camp Crook for the Chuck Humbracht funeral. Gene went to Shannon and Ashley Secrest's that day. On Saturday, Clint, Denise, Darby and Abby, went with Ronda to the Bergstrom place, to trail the two-year old heifers the rest of the way home. Ronda went to Camp Crook for supper, on Saturday, after they had finished moving cattle.

Ian and Jenna Flatgard had gone to a symphony orchestra concert. They had gotten the tickets as a Christmas present, and the concert was absolutely wonderful. It is something they would like to do as a tradition. Marla had stayed with her Grandmother, but it is something she, too, will enjoy sometime. Jenna's brother Joe Malecek, has moved to Big Timer, where he had a job waiting for him. It will make things very hectic for Ian during calving season. Hope they get a new helper soon. Ian's parents, Rob and Jean Flatgard, came out from Arlington, South Dakota, to visit and help out for a few days. It is great to have them for a short while.

Donna Lewis stayed home during the cold weather. She went in to Ekalaka one day, to get her mail and pick up



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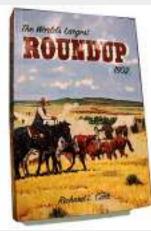
In 1902 thousands of cattle were rounded up and removed from reservation land in South Dakota at the behest of the federal government. Some of you most likely are related to those cowboys who took part.

Several years back Dave Strain along with several others and I visited the epicenter of this event on the White River. While Dave gave us a history lesson

I took photos at various angles of the landscape and, once back in the studio, made adjustments to reflect 1902. Using Dave's knowledge of the roundup and my sketches the result is the painting you see. Richard Carr published a definitive book on the subject.

The painting presently hangs in the High Plains Western Heritage Center in Spearfish, SD.





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some groceries. She is looking forward to seeing her granddaughters in the AAU Wrestling competition next weekend at Billings. They had been to a Sydney meet on Saturday.

Ernie, Rachel and Tommy Melum are busy with calving, now. They worked cows on Monday, and Tuesday, then moved them to the calving pastures. Junior has been watching a few at his house, too. Tommy has forty days of school left, and he counts the days.

Lynn Gustafson and Jane Teigen made a trip to Buffalo, on Monday, for an appointment. They had lunch at Saloon Number Three. Lynn and Bruce went to the Chuck Humbracht funeral, on Friday. On Sunday, they went to church at the Little Missouri Church.

Erma Albert got her allergy shot on Wednesday, in Buffalo. On Friday, Dick had a doctor's appointment in the Hills. They stopped to visit with Clara Braun. They went to church, on Sunday, and had lunch at Saloon Number Three with Frather Brian and the Erks.

Julia Davis has been stuck at home this week, while her hand is slowly healing. She had a doctor's appointment for Wednesday, but the weather would have been bad for travel, so they got that changed. Doug hauled a bull to St. Onge on Thursday. On Friday, Doug and Julia got to Face-time with their grandson, Rory, in Alabama. It was Rory's second birthday, and he was most excited about the fact that it had snowed. That is a surprising thing for Alabama. He took the phone to show his grandparents the snow outside every window of their house. It was a great birthday present, and he even got to go out with his dad and make a little snowman, later in the day. Doug got to see his grandsons Keaton and Kellan in the MotoCross races at Rapid City, on Saturday. Back at home, Mattie Buck had come out to help Julia get the ranch bookwork done. Since Julia can only use one hand, it is difficult and slow work to get things typed into the computer. Julia and Karen Odell had a good time remembering those old manual typewriters that we learned on, and how we had to use some force to push the keys. The good thing was that you could still type when the electricity was off.

Dorothy and Dawn Padden made a trip to Bowman, on Wednesday. Dorothy went to Camp Crook for the Chuck Humbracht funeral, on Friday. The Paddens have started with calving heifers, now, and Dawn will be talking to her sister in the calving shed, sometimes, in the middle of the night. They both take the night shift. Dorothy saw a few flakes of snow

coming down, on Sunday, so there still might be some snow

in our future. Charlie Odell has just been feeding and unfreezing the waterers. It seems the cows were able to unplug them, but he thinks that problem is fixed. Karen made Welsh cakes, on Wednesday, and they made a trip to Buffalo, the next day. She and Charlie had lunch at Saloon Number Three, went to the bank and did some shopping. Karen did lots of research and writing on her new novel, this week. She did research and writing on her Sugar Creek Township books, too. It was a cold week, and a good time to work inside. Friday's weather was much better, and that day, Karen and Charlie went to the Chuck Humbracht funeral at the Camp Crook Area Community Center. There was a large crowd there, and it was a very good memorial to Chuck. We send our sympathy to Peggy, and all of the family. On Sunday, Charlie and Karen went to church at the Methodist Church in Camp Crook, where Karen played piano for the hymns. In the evening, Charlie picked up supper from the Over The Edge. St. Patrick knew how to lead

the snakes out of Ireland, but older brother's bed. Happy St.

I know that you should never put a rubber snake in your Patrick's Day.















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### From A1 City Council pleted those audits he'll re

pleted those audits he'll report to myself and the finance officer to discuss suggested adjustments and recommendations." According to the mayor the new city finance officer, Bethany Estes, will take her oath of office on April 4th. She will replace Breanna Schaefer who resigned last November.

"Ben has all the information he needs for 2020 and we've been compiling all the information for 2021," LaFayette said last December. "We'll have our annual report done on time, which will be done by Casey Peterson, so we'll be set and ready to go with that. That is the hope so that the new finance officer will come in with a clean slate." The contract with Casey Peterson would go until the end of the year but LaFayette says the city could pull out of it before then if it chooses to do so.

In other council news local citizen Oz Hespe addressed the council during community input time expressing concerns that the city has awarded the contract for the new security video system at the city-run liquor store to a firm from out of town. Hespe, who at one time was the owner and manager of the local Radio Shack, said they city could have saved thousands of dollars by going with a local hid

Hespe outlined to the council three areas of concern. First he says no written specifications were provided and second, he says, not all parties received the same equipment requests. "After the quotes were opened for different equipment and features no one took the time to call the local business to ask if they could provide the same services that the committee

for the system." Specifically, Hespe says services involved included a cloud recording system, a 10-year

apparently felt was necessary

warranty, services to monitor and connect future systems together and pricing. Hespe says the quote was awarded to an out-of-town vendor in the amount of \$29,000. He says the local quote was \$4,000 less and the awarded quote does not include \$3,000 per year in cloud recording services. An amount he says would add up to \$30,000 over a ten-year period. Hespe maintains that for less than 2-years' worth of that recording contract the local vendor could build a server system to record security video for most all the city's entities, such as the library, the landfill or museum.

When comparing what Hespe says are comparable systems (including recording services for 10 years) the awarded contract will cost \$59,000 compared to \$25,000 from the local vendor.

"My bottom line is, why do we continue to spend our money out of town and not support our local businesses?" he said. "I have no problems with any of our city council members but I truly feel you dropped the ball on this purchase. Why, when the quotes were opened, and an obvious difference appeared on specifications, wouldn't this council say 'hey, let's call that local guy in a see why there's difference and can he match this quote? There was no need to make a quick decision and plenty of time to keep our local tax dollars at home. What does the local business person have to do to earn the city's business?" Hespe referenced a letter the council and mayor approved stating the city's commitment to become a "Truly Local" nationally designated community when John Newby, a weekly columnist in the Beacon, was in the city last year.

"My question is, when and how are we going to start shopping locally?" he said in conclusion. The presentation was firm but amiable and neither the mayor nor council made a public reply. In later council action there was approval to purchase three new statue bases from Mountain Man Metal Art, a Belle Fourche fabricator, for statues downtown. The cost was \$17,280 which was a 2022 budgeted item.

Several items related to the public landfill were approved unanimously. A contract for landfill improvements totaling \$692,664 was awarded to North Star Construction. This was the only bid received and was \$60,000 less than project estimates. An amount of \$510,000 will be drawn from the Landfill Capital Improvement fund with the remainder coming from the Landfill Reserve funds.

A groundwater monitor contract for a little more than \$18,000 was awarded to Apex Companies. This service will provide monitoring and reporting of groundwater quality from eight wells at the landfill. Semi-annual monitoring will take place in May and October of this year, weather permitting, with a report submitted by April 1st of next year.

Also a contract was awarded to Brosz Engineering to conduct a landfill progression survey in the amount of \$19,375. "This is something that we do every year," said City Engineer Brent Hardy told the Beacon. "We hire Brosz to fly their drone and the create a model of the landfill so we can determine every year how space in the landfill we are using. As part of our reporting for permits to Pierre we have to do this and project how much life is left in the landfill."

The council also set a date and time for the next Board of Equalization meeting. It is scheduled for next Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at 5:15 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

## Community Variety Show March 20

The Belle Fourche Community Variety Show will be March 20th starting at 1:30 with free refreshments and a fabulous silent auction.

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your hosts for the afternoon.

Over twenty acts by performers of all ages will grace the stage, including singers, skits, and a sneak preview of the upcoming high school musical.

New this year are the Name that Tune Contest (with a twist) and Belle Fourche teachers competing in the Minute-to-Win-It Challenge.

Check out just a few of the many silent auction items!

Rogue Motor Sports, Black Hills Title, and Grap's Burgers and Brews are just some of the sponsors of the Variety Show. silent auction.









### BFMS Production of Big Top Trouble Plays to Wonderfully Full Houses

The BFMS production of Big Top Trouble by Toi Lyn Flick performed for two large and enthusiastic audiences on Friday and Saturday. The cast and crew aimed to please with circus clowns, acrobats, jugglers, lions, and side show entertainers. The audience joined the fun both nights, playing the role of circus-goers under the big top with cheers, clapping,, gasps, and laughter. The costumes, makeup, and set created the energy of the traditional circus excitement. Directors Reva Potter and Rachel Johnson were assisted by many volunteers, including set designer, Terry Hoscheid, costumes/makeup artist, Colleen Anderson, practice/backstage assistant, Walker Schouviller, and graphic artist, Kendal Schreier, as well as the parents and families of the performers. Both nights of the play were recorded and and are available to watch at the Belle Fourche School District website Activities page. *Courtesy Photos* 







Unlikely hero, Alfie, answers the Crown Circus clown' questions.





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### **Bullock Community Presents MASH**

M\*A\*S\*H (Mobile Army Surgical Hospital) of the 4077 (double natural for those of you who play craps.) had its run, March 4,5,6.

The lights have gone down and the set and stage are put away. It was a glorious run! The 30 person cast (not counting the extra Koreans) kept the stage hopping.

The short vignettes were a new experience for the actors and for the crew. The use of blackouts between them was a totally different approach for this group as the normal 2 or three act comedy does not require the snappy change from each scene in quick succession.

This show also had the lighting and sound effects of the war, so realistic, it helped the audience understand the truly awful circumstances of the MASH units and the gallows humor to keep themselves sane.

The cast: General Hamilton Hartington Hammond - Jim Erk; Pvt. Boone - Peydon Adolph; Lt. Colonel Henry Braymore Blake - Darwin Latham, Captain Bridget McCarthy - Kami Barrow; Lt. Janice Fury - Odessa Clarkson; Sergeant Devine - Reese Clarkson; Lt. Louise Kimble - Cheyenne Kalisiak; Captain Frank Burns - John Latham; Father John Patrick Mulcahy - Gary Johnson; Captain Walter Waldowski (Walt) - Chuck Whitney; Captain John McIntyre (Trapper John) - Chad Njos; Captain John Black (Ugly) -

Benjamin Franklin Pierce (Hawkeye) - Doug Hausman; Captain Augustus Bedford Forrest (Duke) - Randy Hausman; Ho-Jon - Zak Njos; Pvt. Lopez - Jonah Njos; Korean Woman -Emma Richter; Korean Woman - Hailey Richter; Lt. Nancy Phillips - Alexis McCann; Major Margaret Houlihan - Angela McCann; Congresswoman Goldfarb - Kay Ovitz; Dean Mercy Lodge - Amanda Njos; Miss Randazzle - Kirsti Hansen; Bonwit Sisters Mitzi - Sarah Sabo; Fritzi - Gracie Houde; Agnes - Autumn Stenerson; Lt. Connie Leibowitz - Kadence Christman; Captain Oliver Wendell Jones (Spearchucker) - Windon Hewson; Major Ruth Haskell - Ann Dingfelder; Other Koreans - Lloyd Hausman, Acacia Hausman, Molly Njos, Maelina Ruona.

The warm-up act, The Trash Can Kids, included stand up comedians and puppeteers: Walker Dingfelder, Weston Dingfelder, Mason Voeller, Mylee Voeller, Lloyd Hausman, Acacia Hausman, Ian Njos, Molly Njos, Owen Nios, Hailey Richter, and Maelina Ruona. Linda Mohagen and Becky Holsti directed them but Jennifer Dingfelder and Nicole Njos helped also. Jo Piekkola designed the light scheme and Laura Tenold put together and ran the sound. Jo Piekkola and members of the cast kept the group fed throughout all of their rehearsals.

Johanna Ruona worked on the Korean costumes. Tailynn Adolph worked on the hair styles and also helped direct

the play. Tonja Hansen was the main stage manager but had help from Amanda Njos who also played the part of Dean Mercy Lodge. Bobbi Nelson, Courtney Tope, and Nicole Njos applied make-up to the faces of each person on stage as the lights tend to wash out the persons' features and skin tones.

Becky Holsti, the producer, also prompted, but had very little prompting to do as the characters were very dedicated in learning their lines. We are especially thankful to the wonderful sponsors: Blossoms & Brew, Bowman Sales & Service, Bronson's Marketplace, Buffalo Hardware, Buffalo Ranch Supply, Dakota Community Bank, Dakota Western Bank, Gooseneck Implement, Grand Electric Coop., Inc., H&L Grocery, Harding County School District, Heartland Home Health, Jenn Wickstrom Agency, Olson Construction, Olson Fuel. Olson Propane, Over the Edge Grill, Peaceful Prairies Estates, Pioneer Bank & Trust, ProPoint Cooperative, Sabotique, Scranton Equity, Wade Works, West River Telephone. **Bullock Community Center** members: Wayne and Susan

Nelson, Edie Hewson, John and Kay Ovitz, Kayla Spickelmier, Kaycee Moody, Jean Tennant, Joaine Heggem, Bonnie Johnson, Cathy Richter, Brittany Hausman, and Jessica Holmes, fed the cast for the last week and ran the concession stand

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The lights have gone down for the final time on Bullock Community Players 2022 production, M\*A\*S\*H. We would like to thank all those that had a hand in helping boost it to success. You are so appreciated! Thanks again!

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### Looking Back in Belle-

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Story from Pioneer Footprints, published 1964 by the Belle Fourche Half Centery Club.

Story of the other Dr. Townsend, Francis Townsend -World Famous Townsend Plan

Dr. F. E. Townsend - This handsome man of medicine was thirty-six years old when he came on the Belle Fourche scene in 1901. He had a dedicated physician's idealism, ambitions, and sense of justice. Even as a dreamer he could not have foreseen that he would one day be honored as a great humanitarian and that his annual birthday would be celebrated by thirty million Americans. Yet that was to be a fact.

Dr. Francis E. Townsend was born in a log-cabin near Fairbury, Illinois, April, 1876. Butte County first met him in 1901 when he came west to fill in at Dr. L. J. Townsend's office while L. J. was in Europe. As was the case with many other people, the war of 1917-18 lifted them out of a rut for better or worse. Before this, Dr. F. E. became a partner in the Townsend Clinic venture. Dr. F. E. bettered himself by making Mrs. Minnie Bogue, the clinic supervisor, his wife. They established a home on Elkhorn Street.

The crusading impulse was apparent when in 1910, Dr. F. E. Townsend told the Belle Fourche city council: "We need a clean, moral town in which to raise our families. The redlight district is a blight on our community. The Green Front with its scarlet sisterhood has to be expelled from our midst." orting group praised Dr. F.E. for his stand. Many businessmen were afraid that the padlocking of honkeytonks would cause trade to drift to oter towns. The reform was achieved by slow degree.

Orman dan with its irrigation potential caused Dr. F. E. Townsend to homestead down the valley and make Nisland his home. He later admitted that the ranch project finally broke him. At the age of fifty, Dr. F.E., a disillusioned farmer with a dissipated clientele, disposed of his holdings in 1917, and entered the service. Thus ended his sixteen years in Butte County.

After the war the Townsend's moved to California where in the depression years of the thirties, he developed the famous Townsend Pension Plan that swept across the country like a tidal wave, making the nation conscious of the plight of aged people everywhere. Dr. F.E.

Townsend bacame the hope of millions. In 1935, Dr. F.E. returned to Belle Fourche to be a guest speaker at an outdoor cowboy church service at the Black Hills Round-Up grounds. All his friends came to meet him again. To direct the Plan's legislative program. Dr. F. E. moved to the national capital. His death occurred on September 1, 1960. The doctor is gone, but the cause that was so dear to his heart lives on.

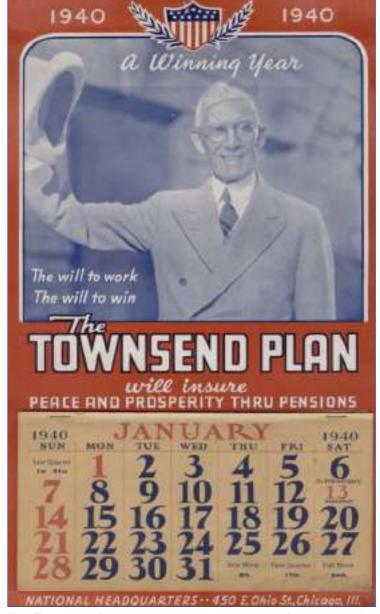
TOWNSEND PLAN, a plan for an Old-Age Revolving Pension, prompted one of the most astonishing social movements of the Roosevelt's New Deal. Combining the American traditions of pressure politics, reform by monetary manipulation, and evangelical utopianism, the Townsend Plan was one of the most popular of several such movements produced by the social distress and insecurity following the panic of 1929. Dr. Francis E. Townsend, the plan's originator, announced



by Mary Buchholz

it on 1 January 1934, and speedily enrolled millions of supporters. As embodied in a bill endorsed by Townsend, the plan entitled all people sixty years of age or over who had been U.S. citizens for at least five years, to an annuity of up to \$200 a month, provided they did not earn any money, and spent all of each month's annuity, within the United States, by the fifth day of the following month. By 1936, a presidential election year, the organization claimed to have more than three and a half million members, and it obtained more than twenty million signatures on petitions calling for congressional approval of the Townsend Plan. Many supporters joined the Townsend Clubs. Dr. Townsend continued to demand more adequate oldage pensions until his death in Los Angeles.





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Pooja Agnihotri, said "Fighting a change and clinging to the same old ways of doing things have never proved to be productive for anyone - you or your customers. We have all known businesses that failed. They had big dreams, great work ethic and small budgets. They hadn't budgeted marketing and hoped word of mouth would spur business growth. They hoped great customer service would set them apart. They hoped the affordable, out of the way business location would still attract customers. They had the passion and hoped hard work and a great attitude would overcome the expected obstacles normally encountered. In short, far too many hopes, poor planning and lack of community support.

When the dust settled, they learned through the school of hard knocks, hope really makes a poor business strategy. It takes far more than hope, hard work and perseverance to succeed. While every community with a truly local mindset will try and support local business, it isn't only the community's job to assure new businesses succeed. Many businesses lack many of the skillsets and funds needed before they even get started. That said, it is in a community's best interest to provide a winning business climate, and support networks that increase the odds of success for new or expanding business owners.

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Expanding and forward-thinking communities understand this very well. What are the best practices communities can employ to further by John Newby create an innovative and entrepreneurial mindset

> throughout their community? First, and foremost, create a hyper-local state of mind throughout the community. Forward-thinking communities have embraced this concept from the top down. They would never consider a government purchase outside of the boundaries of their community before exploring all hyper-local options. Every tax dollar kept local benefits the city many times

Secondly, they create networks that support local business development. The more unique the local business community is, the more it conveys the vibrancy needed to foster further growth. While we all want large employers or manufacturers to come to town, the reality is that communities can have equal results one new local business at a time. Ten new businesses with five employees opening each year will equal one 250 employee business moving to town every five years. Additionally, local businesses need fewer tax breaks, fewer amenities, and are more active in the community.

Thirdly, communities can work with businesses to meet

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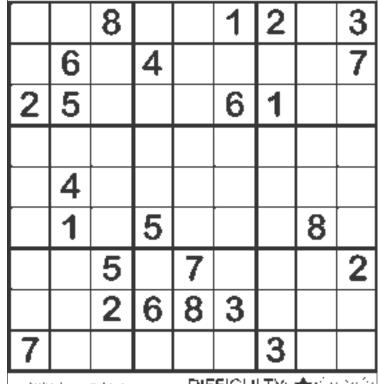
some local demands not currently filled by local businesses. Helping to support local steakhouses, entertainment, various retailer services are great starts. Not every business idea make sense for every community, knowing the kinds of businesses needed can be helpful as you seek to expand your community. Often, community leaders court national chains with their track record of success to fill their needs. Doing this comes at the expense of your local entrepreneurs able to fulfill those needs with a little push and assistance to meet those same demands. Local restaurants, entertainment and retail with a unique flavor always draw better than chains.

Lastly, we've mentioned on more than one occasion developing a tourist mentality is critical. Most communities can attract tourists through unique events or destination marketing. Communities must view each new tourist as \$1000 walking into your community to spend money now. View each hundred tourists as \$100,000 walking into your community. Communities often overlook this most basic and logical way to foster growth and development. Communities need not be New York, Chicago, Branson or a spring training site of MLB to draw tourism. Today, tourists are staying closer to home seeking unique attractions, unique events, unique downtowns, unique retail experiences and in short -something unique and outside the norm. Find your unique niche, build upon it and then let the world know. You will be amazed!

These certainly aren't the only things a community can do to battle the economic woes so many small and mid-sized communities face. These are

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simply basic ideas every community can start building their foundation with. Communities doing all the above and those local things unique to their area will find a way. They will find a way because doing all the above, show they are willing to do what it takes to win. Make no mistake, this is a high stakes competition, there are winners and losers -which side will your community line up on?

John Newby, Pineville, MO.

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	16	Black-Hfr Pc	638	156.50	998.66\$
	23	Black-Hfr Pc	520	165.00	858.71 \$
	4	Black-Hfr Pc	439	185.50	813.88 \$
Nonte Snook, Sundance WY	8	Black-Str Pc	565	194.00	1.096.10\$
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	10	Bk/Rd/Ch-Str Pc	477	198.00	943.47 \$
	10	Blk/Bwf-Hfr Pc	486	178.00	865.08 \$
	17	Bk/Rd/Ch-Hfr Pc	420	180.00	756.52 \$
ane Mcgill, Powderville MT	5	Black-Str	389	217.50	846.07 \$
Mcgill Land & Lyst. Powderville MT					
COWS					
Robert Cummings, Devils Tower WY					
Sterling Holland, Belle Fourche SD					
	1	Black-Cow	1245	76.00	946.20 \$
	1	Red-Cow	1065	79.50	846.67 \$
Wendt Ranch Inc, Newell SD					
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John Szymankski, Piedmont SD				
	3	Rwf/Bwf-Cow	1393	83.001,156.46 \$
	1	Herf-Cow	1230	83.501,027.05 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1360	84.501,149.20\$
	1	Bwf-Cow	1225	83.501,022.87\$
Clair Hagan, Piedmont SD	1	Bwf-Cow	1470	82.001,205.40\$
	1	Bwf-Cow	1490	84.001,251.60\$
	1	Black-Cow	1530	77.501,185.75\$
Michael & Carissa Lee, Whitewood SD				
Dejong Dale, Box Elder SD	1	Black-Cow	1185	78.00924.30\$
	1	Black-Cow	1305	82.001,070.10\$
Kelsie Dejong, Black Hawk SD				
Sorenson Farms, Forsyth MT	8	Black-Cow	1159	83.00962.28\$
	9	Black-Cow	1231	84.001,033.66\$
	12	Blk/Bwf-Cow	1260	82.001,033.20 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1330	84.001,117.20\$
	1	Black-Cow	1180	75.00885.00\$
	1	Black-Cow	1280	83.501,068.80 \$
	1	Red-Cow	1245	83.501,039.57\$
	1	Black-Cow	1475	80.001,180.00 \$
O P Bar Ranch Llp, St. Onge SD				
Barney Jorensen, Sturgis SD	1	Red-Cow	1440	77.001,108.80\$
Lazy Y Quarter Circle Llc, Aladdin WY				
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	1	Black-Cow	1035	81.00838.35\$
	1	Black-Cow	1190	85.501,017.45 \$
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Monte Snook, Sundance WY				
	1	Char-Bull Df	1615	104.001,679.60 \$
	1	Red-Bull Df	1670	107.501,795.25 \$
	1	Red-Bull Df	1790	110.501,977.95 \$
	2	Red-Bull Df	1823	102.501,868.06\$
Clear Bent Bars Inc, Leiter WY				
Ashlyn Fennema, Leiter WY	1	Red-Bull Df	1210	92.501,119.25\$
Collins Ranch Llc, Biddle MT				
Zach & Kim Davis, Buffalo WY	1	Black-Bull	1500	96.501,447.50 \$
Lance Marshall, Sundance WY				
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### **Newell School** to Host Another Preschool/ Kindergarten Registration

**COLLEEN BRUNNER** 

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NEWELL - "We are going to do another registration for preschool and kindergarten on Tuesday, April 5, from 9 to 11 a.m.," said Superintendent Andrew Fergen. This will be more of an opportunity to get a headcount for both programs, as well as screen those who were not able to attend the first screening.

The screening will be held in the lower elementary and those interested can call the elementary office at 605-456-0102 for more information and to register. If a child has already been registered for pre-school or kindergarten in February, it is not necessary to come to this registration.

Preschool is funded through our school Title I program. The Newell School District receives Title I funding due to the percentage of students in our district we qualify for free and reduced lunches. The elementary school which consists of preschool through fifth grade is a school-wide Title program which means students of all abilities receive services from our Title I program.

As a school district, services are provided for the students because the district truly values early childhood education and getting students prepared for kindergarten.

The preschool has a policy in the student handbook on pages 22-23.

"I will attach the student handbook to and email which will be sent out to parents," said Fergen. "We put a maximum number of students in the morning preschool of 10 students and 12 students in the afternoon. Currently, our morning preschool is for students three or four years old and they meet Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m."

The afternoon preschool is for students four or five years old and they meet Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons from 1:00 pm-3:45 pm."

As a school district, students

**Registration** C2

### Newell Schools Staff of the Year





(Above left) Cheryl McCann received the honor of Teacher of the Year at Newell School this week. She is pictured with her daughter, Hailey, and husband, Tim. (Right) Noreen Yule was named Classified Staff Member of the Year. She is pictured with her husband, Maynard, and daughter, Jenna. - Betty Bruner photos

### Celebrating Hard Work and Dedication at Newell School

**BETTY BRUNER** 

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NEWELL - This week an outstanding teacher and staff member were named as Newell's Teacher/Classified Staff Member of the Year. Superintendent Fergen announced their names at an all school rally held Monday morning.

Five teachers were nominated for Teacher of the Year. One was selected by a committee of the administration.

Cheryl McCann, Teacher of the Year, has taught at Newell School for 22 years in the Middle School.

An excerpt from her nomination form speaks of her passion for

teaching and that she holds students accountable in a way that teaches responsibility.

From the six nominations for Classified Staff Member of the Year, Noreen Yule was chosen to receive the distinction of the award. Individuals eligible for this award include paraprofessionals, custodians, secretaries, librarians, kitchen personnel, and business personnel.

In her nomination letter, the writer penned "She is eager to learn and always has a positive attitude...She is a stud!"

Fergen said that he believes it takes a team of amazing individuals to have a positive impact on students. These two staff members are prime examples of his words.

### The On-going Science Experiment

**COLLEEN BRUNNER** 

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NEWELL/RAPID CITY -Newell High School teacher Betsy Burtzlaff has participated and supervised her share of science experiments over her years of teaching since 1990 as a Black Hills State University graduate and science teacher. Now, she is in an ongoing science experiment through a program at South Dakota School of Mines that could bring about a new way of packaging food.

"It's challenging," said Burtzlaff of the opportunity, who says she is very comfortable in the high school setting. "It's making us think about higher levels and could help me challenge my students in the classroom, although I haven't brought it there yet."

Just what is this science experiment that has Burtzlaff so excited? It has a very technical name, but basically, according to the NHS teacher it is "trying to come up with a synthetic chitosan." For someone who is not a science nerd the definition of chitosan is: Chitosan is a linear polysaccharide composed of randomly distributed β-linked D-glucosamine and N-acetyl-D-glucosamine. It is made by treating the chitin shells of shrimp and other crustaceans with an alkaline substance, such as sodium hydroxide.

"Basically, we are trying to come up with a film that is natural, and comes from recycled

Newell science teacher Betsy Burtzlaff holds a Petrie dish containing a crustacean based film that she hopes will be the new way of creating plastic food-grade wrap. - Courtesy photo

materials," said Burtzlaff. "We want to mimic crustaceans without using petroleum." Currently most preservative-type wraps are made with petroleum-based

products.

Burtzlaff's supervisor on the project, where the teacher spends a portion of each

**Burtzlaff** C2

### Taffy Howard will host a Meet and Greet at



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Lunch: CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS, BROCCOLI, MANDA-RIN ORANGES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Monday Mar. 21, 2022 Breakfast: BREAKFAST BITES OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: BEEF STROGANOFF, WHOLE GRAIN NOODLES, GREEN BEANS, APPLESAUCE, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Tuesday Mar. 22, 2022

Breakfast: APPLE FRUDAL OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: TANGERINE CHICKEN, CHOW MEIN NOODLES, ORIENTAL BLEND, PINEAPPLE, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Wedensday Mar. 23, 2022 Breakfast: WAFFLE STICKS OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: SPAGHETTI, GARLIC BREAD, BLUEBERRIES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Thursday Mar. 24, 2022 Breakfast: TORNADOS OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: CORN DOGS, BAKED BEANS, PEACHES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK



#### From C1 **REGISTRATION**

in preschool can ride the morning or the afternoon routes on the school buses.

"Recently, we had a preschool screening in which we invited parents to bring children ages birth to six years old. In the screenings, we can monitor kids' academic and motor skill development and see if students

would need services such as speech, physical therapy, and/ or occupational therapy. With our Title I funding, we have a paraprofessional with our preschool classroom to aide our students and teacher. Students in preschool have an opportunity to receive speech, physical therapy, and occupational therapy within our school just like any of our other students that need those services."

### **Newell Lions Host** Pancake Supper for **Darryl Gaylor**

**BETTY BRUNER** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL-The Newell Lions Club stirred up the pancake batter, fluffed the eggs, and fried the sausage to host a benefit pancake supper for Darryl Gaylor on March 11. Gaylor has faced difficulties recently with a serious illness and the loss of his job. The Newell Lions put together the benefit, along with a silent auction to help. Thrivent

also put \$250 towards the event. Since Lions Clubs first began

in 1917, their motto has been to serve. Serving is the backbone of the Newell Lions. Members can be seen at NHS ballgames, picking up trash along the highway, selling tickets, and screening future kindergarteners. They are an integral part of the Newell area and are ready to improve the well-being and be support for the community.

Thrivent is an organization that partners with others to make an impact on the local community members.





There was a substantial crowd at the Newell Lions pancake supper held to benefit Darryl Gaylor. - Betty Bruner photos

### **Newell Community Club Presents**

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**Newell Rodeo Arena Grandstand Fund.** 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.

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.com/ documents/asset/uploaded\_file/211114/Employment\_application.pdf

Mar. 19: Nisland/Arpan Fire Dept. potato topper supper, 5-7 p.m. at fire hall in Nisland; Green Beer Olympics at Fire Pit Restaurant, 8 p.m. Prizes: 1st-Whiskey Barrel Liquor Cabinet, 2nd-\$100 FP Gif Card, 3rd-\$65 FP Gift Card.

Mar. 21: NHS Blood Drive at Austin Auditorium, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mar. 22: Pie Day at NVN Senior Center, 9-11 a.m. Pie and caramel rolls with coffee or tea.

Mar. 22&24: Parent/Teachers conferences, Book Fair, 4-7 p.m.

Mar. 23: FFA CDE's in Newell.

Mar. 30: FFA CDEs in Sturgis.

Mar. 31-HSTR at Belle Fourche, 3 p.m.

Apr 1: No fooling! Spring Fling FREE outreach dinner at Nisland Independent Church, 6 p.m. You must RSVP number attending, contact info (name, phone & email) by 3/21 to 605-645-9976 or to church Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/Nisland-Church/

Apr. 5: Feeding SD distribution, 1 p.m. by NVN Center. Line up along Third Street to east and then down Girard to north.

Apr. 8: Friday, 8 p.m., Tris Munsick Acoustic Concert @ High Plains Restaurant and Bar

Apr. 13: Vale Community Club bingo begins. 7 p.m. at the hall in Vale.

#### From C1 **BURTZLAFF**

weekend, experimenting with the help of undergrad Anna Hale, is Dr. Tsyetanka Filipova, of the SDSM&T Chemistry, Biological and Health Sciences department.

Burtzlaff, and another Newell teacher, Donald Decker, (see next week's article about Decker's experiments) are working as part of a National Science Foundation Research Experience for Teachers (RET) grant. This was something that the two teachers applied for. They are two of just 10 teachers to be part of the program.

'We had to meet certain criteria," said Burtzlaff. That included being located within driving distance of SDSM&T, applying what they learn to the classrooms and being able to spend a good chunk of free time on the university campus.

The program, which was slated to start in summer 2021, didn't actually begin until after school started last fall, so it may run later than the spring 2022 end date. It is centered on the theme of Energy and Sustainability and provides opportunities for K-12 teachers to conduct scientific and engineering research, engage in



Betsy Burtzlaff, Newell science teacher, has been involved since fall 2021 in a research grant at South Dakota School of Mines. Herr project involves and endeavor to create a new biopolymer film. - Courtesy photo

professional development and develop curriculum for subsequent use in their classrooms. Candidates had to commit to one week of research (30-40 hours) on campus, 90 additional hours of research over the academic year, Zoom-based tours and seminars, and an online workshop. As a result,



Inside a controlled and antiseptic environment, NHS science teacher Betsy Burtzlaff, sets a biopolymer solution to heat for 12-16 hours in the hope that the result will be a brand-new crustacean-based plastic wrap. - Courtesy photo

each was awarded a \$6,000 research stipend as well as \$2000 to each selected participant to purchase necessary equipment and supplies for the curriculum development in their classroom. Both teachers submitted a resume, a letter describing how the applicant might use the RET grant and a choice of top three research projects. Those projects included wastewater treatment, sustainable infrastructure, climate change, biopolymers, sustainable energy, sustainable biofuels, and 2-dimensional materials.

Burtzlaff's project was titled, "Polysaccharide-based Biodegradable Polymers, Synthesis and characterization." In essence her project includes utilizing exoskeletons of insects or lobsters/crayfish, mixing them with acetic acid and citric acid, to make a chitosan mixture. Oils of lavender and glycol are added and the mixture is then heated for 12-16 hours and poured into petri plates to set up for about four days.

So the next time you grab a roll of plastic wrap to cover your food, you might want to ask Betsy Burtzlaff where it came from, oil or the sea.

### Belle Fourche Reacon

#### **BETTY OLSON**

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Patsy Wilkinson, Lori Besler

and I spent our last day of quilting last Monday. With everyone lambing and calving and all the other spring work, we decided to give it up for a while. We did get three more nice quilts finished though. Scott and Monte Besler were down in Texas hunting wild hogs and Scott called Lori while we were quilt-

Rep. Elizabeth Marty May posted this on Facebook on Monday:

they had both had good luck

ing to let her know that

hunting.

"My brother Rep. Sam Marty was surprised today by House colleagues with a commemoration honoring his services to our state of South Dakota and United States of America serving in Vietnam. He's served 8 years in the House of Representative. There wasn't a dry eye in the house. I've enjoyed working beside him." Sam got his Purple Heart 26 years after he was wounded in Vietnam and when

I watched this it made my eyes leak too. This is Sam's last term in the House and he certainly deserved the honor his col-

Patsy Wilkinson hosted Ladies Aid Tuesday afternoon and she got to the church a little early to

leagues gave him.

sew around the last quilt before the rest of the ladies came to WMF. Norma Tenold, Teddi Carlson, Lori Besler and her granddaughter Lucille, Linda Mohagen and I joined Patsy for

the meeting. Patsy served us a delicious apple dessert that makes my mouth water just thinking about it! After WMF I had to go to the Reva Store to get laundry detergent and a couple bottles of Sprite for Amanda. Copper had the flu and spent the night puking, so there was a lot of laundry to wash.

Reub and I made a quick trip to Hettinger Wednesday morning, mostly to get the vitamins we'd run out of and to drop more stuff off at the Clothes Closet, our favorite place to shop. Patsy Wilkinson and Norma Tenold served us a delicious supper before the Lenten

**Grand River Roundup** service Wednesday evening. Norma brought beef sandwiches and chocolate chip bars and Patsy provided cheeseburger soup

> Sylvia Lorraine (Wicks) Fuller, 87, of Spearfish, passed away March 3. Lorraine grew up in the Slim Buttes. Her funeral was Friday, March 11, at Kinkade Funeral Chapel in Sturgis with committal services

at the Black Hills National

and lemon bars. And of course,

I ate too much again.

Cemetery near Sturgis. Charles F. "Chuck" Humbracht, 67, of Camp Crook, passed away on Friday, March 4, at his home. Funeral services for Chuck were on Friday, March 11, at the Camp Crook Community Center. I joined a large bunch of friends and neighbors to bid goodbye to a really nice guy. Reub sent a bunch of pictures with me of folks in the Ladner area that I gave to Jack Ovitz and the Holsti sisters.

Amanda, Knox and River came down with the stomach flu they caught from Copper on Thursday. Casey went to Buffalo that afternoon to get ear tags and meet with the wrestlers for the last time this year.

Reub spent the afternoon going through more pictures to share with our friends.

This is Women's History Month and with the war Russia is waging against Ukraine, I'll share a little of my grandmother's history. Grandma Lydia (Schmidt) Wilkinson's family were Germans from Russia. When Catherine the Great was the head of Russia, she gave land to German farmers to have them come to Russia and teach the Russians how to farm so Grandma's ancestors moved to Russia from Germany. The Ukraine was part of Russia then and they farmed near Odesa, Russia, which is part of Ukraine. After Catherine the Great died, the new head of Russia was conscripting the Germans into the Russian army and that's when Grandma's family came to America. I'm a descendant of draft dodgers, but that changed when my mother's brother, Gustave Schmidt, a full-blood German from Russia, changed his name to Gus Smith, went to fight the Germans in WWI and died in France. My father, Staff Sgt. Bryce White, who was also part German, fought the Germans in WWII.

Tony Holt turned 98 on Saturday and Tom and Mary Lu Holt and Bill, Becky and Molly Holt went to the nursing home in Lemmon to help him celebrate his birthday. Happy Birthday

Did you remember to set your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday morning? This switching our clocks back and forth twice a year just ticks me off. I have to change the time on twelve clocks and three watches and for what? I think I heard on the news that twelve states have decided to stay on Daylight Saving Time year around and eighteen more are considering doing the same thing. Arizona and Hawaii have never changed their clocks and it's time the rest of the states join them. Wouldn't it be nice to know where all that daylight has been saved?

The time has come to complain for an entire weekend straight. "Spring forward" for Daylight Saving Time is here again. Sunday at 2 am, clocks were set forward one hour to mark the beginning of Daylight Saving Time, stealing away one precious hour of sleep which we won't have returned to us until the first Sunday of November. While we used to say "don't forget to change your clocks," at least our smart phones are changing the time by themselves.

When told the reason for daylight saving time the old Indian said... 'Only an idiot would believe that you could cut a foot off the top of a blanket and sew it to the bottom of a blanket and have a longer blanket.'



### Then and Now in Newell

#### "Looking Forward to our Past" -

March 14, 1912 A rumor (authentic to be hoped) has it the section line between Vale and Newell is to be opened soon. But what good will it do with out a bridge?

The Belle Fourche & Northwestern Telephone Company with headquarters in Belle Fourche; their lines extend to Camp Crook on the north; Newell and Vale on the east, Hulett and Sundance in Wyoming in the west and connections with all Hills towns on the south. They are the largest independent line in western South Dakota and are equipped to give first class service. B. F. Clark is Manager at Belle Fourche

March 9, 1922

Much credit is due Miss Murray and Mrs. Voice for the excellent program given at the pie social put on by the lower grades in Vale School last Friday evening and did you ever see so many pies? The grand sum of \$65 was raised and this will go as payment on the new piano. Another program is promised in the near future.

Last Sunday while out hunting Wilbur Leuth, 17 year-old son of Charles Leuth, who resides 6 miles southeast of Newell, accidentally discharged his 22-calibr rifle, the bullet entering the roof of his mouth and lodging in his brain about 2 inches back and on the level with his eye. The lad was rushed to the Deadwood hospital where the surgeons determined the position of the bullet, yet no ill effects appeared to result. The boy is apparently

in healthy spirits. Young Leuth explains that he was leaning over to re-fasten one of his shoes and while engaged with both hands, some how in order to keep the rifle out of the snow, it must have been cocked and while fussing with his shoe, he must have accidentally touched the trigger. The wonder is that he still lives and coherent to tell about it.

March 10, 1932 Search is still being continued, States Attorney C.P. Seward said today for Jake Rutz, Nisland farmer, charged with a statutory offense against a 17-year old girl. Seward said officials had failed to locate Rutz at Sterling, Colorado, the hunted man's former home, but that a new clue led officers into Nebraska where Rutz was believed hiding with a family formerly of Vale.

On account of the snowstorm Tuesday, together with a lack of water in the boilers at the local school house, no school was held that day. All pupils who could be reached by phone were notified early in the morning and only a few who could not be reached made the trip to the school building. The freezing of the water in the city supply tank was the cause of lack of heat that day.

March 12, 1942

Local firemen discovered the other day that some low-down miscreant had drained the gas from the fire truck in the City Hall. This is a pretty serious matter and the guilty person, if found, may depend upon it that by Linda Velder

a swift and severe penalty will be meted out for this nefarious

Dr. Clark went to Lead Sunday to meet his son Howard, who was to have returned with the Lead Company from the Mexican Border. The Dr. learned that Howard had been detained at Ft. Crook, Nebraska for 10 days on special details.

Mr. & Mrs. Bartlett LaFayette and Paul Deschamps of Castle Rock called at the Wm Ernest home Tuesday afternoon and enjoyed supper there that evening. Other guests were Mr. & Mrs. Whalen and daughter Irene and Leo Whalen.

Einard Muotka got his dwelling house into town Saturday from the Walter farm 5 miles southeast of Newell. It is a 4-room structure and Mr. Muotka is planning to remodel and refinish it in first class shape.

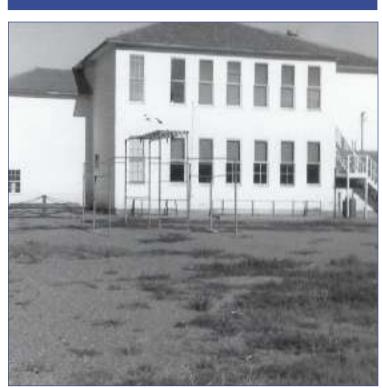
March 13, 1952 Miss. Delores Miles, Newell High School senior, has been named one of 3 major state winners in the 1952 essay contest sponsored by the South Dakota Education Association. Miss Miles' achievement is winning \$35 as a prize for her essay on "Why I Plan to Become A Teacher". In addition to the cash award, she will be eligible to win a scholarship on the state level to a College or University.

Joan DeGarlais has been chosen to represent the Newell Grade School in the Butte County Spelling Bee to be held in Belle Fourche on Saturday it was announced by G.W. Austin. Other students form





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In the early days the school house referred to as the "White Building". The lower six grades, FFA, and shop classes were conducted here.

the rural schools entered in the Bee representing their schools are: Lorelei Hill Vale School; Diana Babb Heston School and Barbara Wahlfeldt Trail Creek School. The winner will represent Butte County in the state contest sponsored by the Minneapolis Tribune, April 19. Mrs. Neva Plumier is the Butte County Superintendent of Education.

March 8, 1962 The Utah-Idaho Sugar Company will continue to operate its receiving station for sugar beets at Nisland; it was announced this week by F.W. Bergeson, District Manager. The decision was made following a re-evaluation by county officials in light of the more optimistic water situation on the Belle

Fourche Irrigation and a request by beet growers of the areas. However, the Morseman, Horse Creek and Arpan stations will be discontinued and dismantled for moving to other receiving areas. Some improvements will be made at the Nisland station. An engineer will inspect the facility there with a view to recommending it more convient and efficient.

Varsity letters have been awarded to 28 members of the South Dakota Tech's 1961 football squad; it was announced today. Coach Jerry Welfl's Hardrockers, who finished with a SDIC record of 2 wins and 4 loses, did not have a senior on the team. Letter winners included Tom Richter, a junior, son of Mrs. Marianna Richter and 1959 NHS graduate.



This is the sugra beet dump at Nisland. Waiting train cars are being loaded for transport to the

sugar plant near Belle Fourche.

# **Get Ready for Farming Season**

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VALE - It's almost that time of the year for area farmers to plan, plow, and plant. Belle Valley Irrigation is also ready to start the irrigation season. Jeremy Dyck showcased Belle Valley Irrigation, the local Reinke dealer, personnel and irrigation equipment offerings following a meal for area farmers.

Dyck introduced the "parts guy" that will be in the office ready to give support. Jordan Dyck, according to Jeremy, "knows everything" about the equipment and can answer most questions.

Dyck encouraged patrons to call the office with questions concerning irrigation parts and workings. The office number is (605) 456-1888, calls will be forwarded during off-business

One of the new options pointed out by Dyck is the diesel-powered pumping unit. The unit is a self-contained generator made by AIE. AIE distrib-

utes and packages industrial engine and electrical generator sets. It was established in 1974 with headquarters in Omaha, Nebraska.

Another product offered by Belle Valley Irrigation and Reinke is ReinCloud software. The remote irrigation controller dashboard can give a farmer information at a glance right in the palm of his hand with a smart phone. The irrigation system status, weather, sensor data and irrigation controls can be viewed quickly. There are some specifics that need to be part of the pivot, but that is available through Belle Valley Irrigation.

Belle Valley Irrigation is also a dealer for OCMIS Travelers. This equipment is made by Knutson Irrigation in Yukon, OK. In 2002 Knutson Irrigation developed a turbine-driven traveling sprinkler. The system line features a range of sizes to accommodate a variety of settings.

Dyck went on to explain various motors, filters, and Phase Technologies that are used in

the area by Reinke dealers.

Reinke is noted as the lightest pivot available. According to Vern Hinnenkamp, North Central Territory Manager, it can handle the wind better than competitors. It is the largest family owned irrigation company in the world and is based out of Nebraska.

Hinnenkamp explained the use of the CropX moisture probe, stating that it can save money down the road for corn or beans. The probes may not work well for alfalfa, but will do very well for row crops.

Belle Valley Irrigation can supply everything needed according to owner, Jeremy Dyck. The business handles many replacement parts and can order whatever is needed.

Hours begin early in the morning with the busy irrigating season soon to start in full swing. Jordan is ready to answer questions and direct local farmers to the right part. Call (605) 456-1888 and visit with Jeremy or Jordan.

#### Solutions to Puzzles on B7

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### **GFP Commission Holds** March Meeting

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission held their March meeting at the Missouri Avenue Events Center in Pierre on March 3-4. The Commission carried over proposals from their January meeting and passed several other proposals, which will now be up for public comment.

#### PARKS PROPOSALS

The Commission continued the discussion to allow for the cancellation of campsites and lodging facilities without fee for a period of time after a reservation is made. After that period has lapsed, a fee of one-half of the first night's camping or lodging fees would be assessed for both types of overnight use. Go Outdoors South Dakota

launched December 15, 2021. This system combines the purchases of hunting and fishing licenses with our state parks camping reservations and other purchases.

Additionally, the Commission concurred with the department that an entrance license should be required to access the boat ramp at Lake Vermillion.

### WILDLIFE PROPOSALS

The Commission proposed the elk and bighorn sheep hunting seasons for 2022. For more information on these proposals, visit gfp.sd.gov/commission/ information/.

Black Hills Elk -The Commission proposed to adjust the total number of available licenses from 450 "any elk" and 490 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 940 licenses) to 535 "any elk" and 730 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 1,265 licenses).

The Commission also proposed to modify the boundaries of BHE-H9A and BHE-H9B to correct the unit boundary and to establish BHE-H4B.

Prairie Elk - The Commission proposed to adjust the number of licenses available from 78 "any elk" and 178 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 256 licenses) to 102 "any elk" and 175 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 277 licenses).

The Commission also proposed to modify Unit PRE-9A. This proposal would split the current unit and establish a new unit to include the portion of Meade County. Also proposed was to correct season dates for units PRE-11D, PRE-35A and PRE-35B. Finally, the Commission established units and season dates for PRE-35C, PRE-35D, PRE-35E, and PRE-35F for antlerless elk licenses. Archery Elk - The Commission proposed to adjust the number of licenses available from 147 "any elk" and 70 "antlerless elk" licenses (total of 217 licenses) to 182 "any elk" and 90 "antlerless" (total of 272 licenses).

Custer State Park Elk - The Commission proposed to adjust the total number of available licenses from 9 "any elk" licenses to no more than 12 "any elk" licenses.

Custer State Park Early Archery Elk - The Commission proposed to adjust the total number of available licenses from 3 "any elk" to 4 "any elk"

Bighorn Sheep Season - The Commission proposed to increase the number of "ram bighorn sheep" licenses from 8 to 11. They also proposed to change the mandatory orientation meeting from "preceding the opening day of the season" to "preceding the first day of hunting by the license holder" and to eliminate Unit BHS-ZZ1 for preference points.

Although the crowd was smaller this year, those that attended the Open House sponsored by Belle Valley Irrigation heard what was new and available. - Betty Bruner photo



Belle Valley Irrigation owner Jeremy Dyck explains new irrigation equipment that is available to area farmers. - Betty Bruner photo

### South Dakota: The State for Business



Gov. KRISTI NOEM State of South Dakota

During my first State of the State address, I announced I wanted South Dakota to lead the nation, raising the bar in everything we do. We immediately got to work on that, earning big wins like Constitutional Carry and the Second Century Initiative to grow pheasant and wildlife habitat. Now, South Dakota will raise the bar in economic development.

Earlier this month, Site Selection magazine released the rankings for its 2021 Governor's Cup. Site Selection presents this award to the states with the most business development projects in a calendar year.

The result from those rankings sends a clear message: South Dakota competes with some of the largest states in the nation for big business projects. Our state ranked second overall for per-capita projects, with Kansas narrowly claiming the

But that is not the big news. From 2019 to 2021, our ranking jumped from 37th to 2nd in projects per capita. The 2021 criteria focused on projects with an investment of \$1 million or more. The total investment in South Dakota — just counting eligible Site Selection projects — amounted to an astounding \$1.2 billion, adding 2.8 million square feet of production space and an expected increase of

2,600 jobs around the state. Some of those projects have North Sioux City's metro area and Sioux Falls claiming the number 1 and 2 spots in Site Selection's metropolitan-area rankings, respectively, for per-capita projects.

Our "Open for Business" message has captured the attention of big companies around the country and driven this phenomenal growth. The Site Selection data understates the total tangible business growth in South Dakota—my Office of Economic Development in 2021 facilitated \$1.7 billion in total investment, for an overall increase of 3,700 jobs around the state.

The path I chose for South Dakota during the pandemic attracted businesses to our state. But we also are a business-friendly, low-tax, affordable state to start and own a business. We have worked for years to develop a business climate that is welcoming to

innovators and industry leaders. We brought in the Aesir Technology battery manufacturing facility in Rapid City, which Site Selection highlighted in their 2021 analysis. This project will add 400 skilled jobs for producing the batteries that service data centers and 5G cell phone networks.

Amazon's new fulfillment center in Sioux Falls adds 3 million square feet of factory floor, welcoming 1,000 new full-time jobs this year. CJ Foods, which specializes in producing Asian food, will build a state-of-the-art facility the largest of its kind – in Sioux Falls. The project is estimated to be \$500 million in construction for a new 700,000 squarefoot building with 600 new jobs by 2025.

But companies did not only

invest in our big cities. We saw new developments in Canton, Belle Fourche, and other smaller communities around the state.

We have come a long way in the last three years. From our business development growth to expanding high-speed internet statewide, we have ushered in a new era of innovation. And we show no signs of slowing down.

Just this week, the legislature overwhelmingly approved my recommendation to fund a \$30 million investment in the cyber research program at Dakota State University. This investment will help double the number of students who will graduate with the skills to land six-figure jobs out of college. South Dakota: the state for business today, tomorrow, and into the future.

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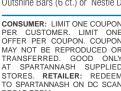
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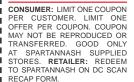
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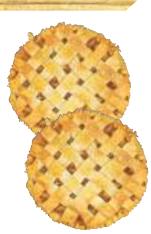
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