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“Catch My Drift” Keeping the Highways Safe for Winter Travel

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Throughout South Dakota an impressive fleet of shiny yellow snowplows with flashing lights keep the roads safe for winter travel. Thanks to a statewide snowplow-naming contest, the brainchild of the SDDOT, many of these magnificent machines may now be recognized by name.

In far eastern South Dakota plows named “Thawsome”, “Snowmagator”, “Luke Ice Walker”, “Sleetwood Mac”, and “Blizzard Buster” can be identified by their names in bold letters on their windshields. Other fleet members, “Little Plow on the Prairie”, and “Snow Force One” take over in the mid regions, while here in the far west, “Catch My Drift”, “Betty Whiteout” and “Black Hills Cold Rush” battle the scourge of winter blizzards on the highways.

Altogether there are 36 snowplows that have been named by creative contest participants in the past three years.

On Thursday, March 30, The Belle Fourche area was introduced to “Catch My Drift” the 2023 addition to the fleet, named by Carmen Hall, and submitted by Lantis Enterprises

of Spearfish. Carmen’s idea for the name was one of several name submissions sent to the SDDOT for the Belle Fourche area snowplow.

The public was invited to vote on the names.

According to Merida Smith, spokesperson for Lantis Enterprises “We have participated in the ‘SDDOT Name the Snowplow Contest’ for the last three years.”

Lantis Enterprises takes transportation safety seriously. The company has even dedicated a week of fun activities called Snowplow days. “We have a newsletter each day with information about our in-office contest, snow related puzzles, cartoons, jokes, and some winter driving and safety reminders. On Thursday we vote for our office favorite, and on Friday our winner receives a “fabulous” prize. On Friday everyone also gets a gift bag with goodies and other reminders for packing a winter travel bag, with such items as snacks, first aid items, hand wipes, winter travel guide, etc.”

More information on the contest is available at: https://dot.sd.gov/inside-sddot/of-interest/sddot-snowplow-naming-contest#listItemLink_1852



Lantis Enterprise employees, participants in the SD Department of Transportation’s (SDDOT) annual state-wide snowplow naming contest, pose with “Catch My Drift”. Pictured here are Kelly Chaffin, Jayme Hunt, Alex Boss, Mary Ellen Lantis, Shannon Hegdahl, DJ Bahmuller, Carmen Hall (author of the winning name, “Catch My Drift”), Deb Ring, Jill Netterberg, Kristie Charles, Maclyn Westland, our snowplow driver Karl Karl Hulin SDDOT Highway Maintenance Worker, Belle Fourche, and Merida Smith. *Courtesy Photo*

Albany Farms Ramps Up Production

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BELLE FOURCHE – Albany Farms Belle Fourche operations is ramping up production as they have added a second production line. The ramen noodle manufacturing company moved to Belle Fourche from Los Angeles nearly three years ago. Albany opened its first production line in late 2021 and now has doubled the manufacturing capacity of its Twisted Noodle product.

Company spokesperson Angie Besler says they now have an additional production line in operation.

“Our second line is up and running,” Besler told the Beacon. “We are rapidly producing pillow noodles in addition to our cups.”

The pillow product is a traditional ramen offering that features a 3-ounce rectangular block of ramen noodles with a seasoning packet included. As with the cup product the consumer adds hot water to the noodles and seasoning to create their entree in about 3 minutes. They currently offer three flavors, beef, chicken and veggie but the company says they plan to add more in future.

According to Besler, Albany Farms has employed more than 100 people and they are not finished yet. “We plan to start interviewing and hiring again the middle of April,” she said.

With both lines running Albany Farms is currently running two day shifts and one upcoming night shift which is currently training with day crews. Besler says by mid-April

they hope to be starting two night shifts.

The production lines run 11 hours per day, six days a week. And the number of units produced each shift exceeds a quarter of a million.

“When both lines are running, we are producing 550 units of ramen per minute,” Besler said. “This equals out to 363,000 units per shift worked.”

The company has plans already for a third production line, but Besler says no timeframe has been set for that. One thing that is for certain, the demand for the product has not slowed down, nationally or locally.

“We are proud to say that our Twisted Noodles can be found here in Belle Fourche at MJ’s Market, Lynn’s Dakota

Mart and Lueders,” Besler said. “Over in Spearfish, you can find Twisted Noodles at Lueder’s and in Sturgis at Lynn’s Dakota Mart.

“In addition to the local stores, Twisted Noodles are distributed to Walmart Canada, and approximately 305 Target stores nationwide along with HEB stores in Texas,” she added.

Besler says the company expects to add more stores in mid-2023 with the possibility of adding Dollar Tree stores as soon as next month. She said if any local business is interested in having Twisted Noodles on their shelf, they can go to the company website at albanyfarms.com and from the home page, scroll down and click on the dark red button.



Local shoppers can now find Twisted Noodle ramen products on store shelves at Leuders, MJ’s Market and Lynn’s Dakotamart. The company also distributes to more than 300 Target stores in the US, Walmart Canada and HEB. They hope to soon be in Dollar Tree stores nationwide. *Beacon Photo*

Merle’s Landscaping & Yard Service Decades of Great Professional Care

In the spring of 1986, Merle and Anita Bierschenk started the lawn care service business, known as Merle’s Landscaping and Yard Service.

Over the last three and a half decades, the business has evolved from a one man operation with a push mower, a self-propelled mower, a pickup, and a few yard tools into a full service lawn business.

Merle’s Landscaping and Yard Service has serviced thousands of customers over the years. The business offered mowing, spraying, installs and maintenance of sprinklers, landscaping and snow removal.

Over the past 37 years, Merle has donated thousands of hours helping to beautify the cities of Belle Fourche and Spearfish.

He donated the installation of the Christmas lights at the Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce/museum for 13 years. He donated the mowing and lawn maintenance at Rail & Robb’s Park for years. He also donated the mowing at the Spearfish Chamber and High Plains Western Heritage Center for decades.

Merle has left many trademarks in the Northern Hills other than his love for lawn care.

Many people will miss seeing his staple, “The Red Sprinkler Truck” driving around town.

Merle and Anita would like to thank all of his customers and the communities for supporting the business over the years. After 37 years in the business, he has decided to retire and pass the “Little Red Truck” onto the new owners.

On April 1, Quillan and Meg McNeese purchased the business. He is excited to help them with this journey. They will continue the great service he has provided to the Black Hills Community.

There will be a reception to celebrate his retirement at the Belle Fourche Country Club from 4-7 p.m. on April 22, 2023.



Merle Bierschenk and his “Little Red Truck” following his final snow storm as owner of Merle’s. *Courtesy photo*

Belle School Board Candidates Answer Issues

Two of three to be elected in April 11th School Board Race

BELLE FOURCHE – There are three area residents vying for two seats on the Belle Fourche School Board in the upcoming election on April 11. Recently the Beacon sent a questionnaire to each candidate in an effort to better inform the public of their background, motivation for running, and where they stand on current issues. The questions were formed using responses from public inquiry, current issues before the school board, and interaction of the public with the board during open forum time.

Tammy Clem, current School Board President, has decided not to run again. The other term that will be ending is that of Scott Reder, current Board Vice-President.



Scott Reder

Reder will run for his seat once again. He is a local rancher, former Roundup Committee Chairman and a Commercial and Ag Lender at Pioneer Bank and Trust.

There were two other candidates who filed before February’s deadline. They are Faye LaDuke-Pelster of Belle Fourche, Chair for the School of Education at Black Hills State University, and Wayne Gilbert, local historian, who served on the school board previously and was the school board’s legislative liaison.

Before we get to the answers, this is a reminder that

the polling place will be the Belle Fourche Community Hall at 508 6th Ave. This will be the location for all city wards along with the rural communities of Fruitdale, Romans, Minnesela, St. Onge and rural Belle Fourche precincts.

Voting hours begin at 7am and the polls close at 7pm.

The following are the questions and the responses from each candidate.

Candidate 1- Incumbent Scott Reder

City of Residence: Fruitdale
Please provide a brief biography: I have been a lifelong resident of Butte County and the Belle Fourche area. I went to high school in Newell and attended college at SDSU, graduating with bachelor’s degrees in Animal Science and Ag Business. I married my wife Angela in 1998 and we have three children, all of whom have received the entirety of their education in the Belle Fourche school district. We are a ranching family and are all very active in our local community. I work as a loan officer at Pioneer Bank and Trust in Belle Fourche and I am currently Vice President of the Belle Fourche School board.

Question: What do you feel are the most important issues that need to be addressed regarding our children’s education in the community?

I believe we need to provide a safe, nurturing environment for our kids to be educated. This includes staff, facilities, bussing and activities.

Question: The district’s long-range planning includes some facility upgrades. What areas do you feel need the most attention?

The school district does have a ten-year budgetary and expansion plan currently in place. This covers everything from changing curriculum to regular maintenance to expansion of current facilities, all of which are carefully allocated and controlled by our budget. I feel the school district has its challenges

School Board Election B1



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Ray Kidd 81

Ray Kidd, age 81 of Belle Fourche, died Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at the Rolling Hills Healthcare Center in Belle Fourche.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10:30 am Friday April 14, 2023 at St. Paul Catholic Church in Belle Fourche. A vigil and rosary service will be held 7pm Thursday at the church. Inurnment will take place in Pine Slope Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements are with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. Ray's funeral mass can be viewed live or afterwards from his obituary page, located on the funeral home's website: www.LeveringtonFH.com



Ray is survived by his daughter, Clara (Pete) Kiley of Belle Fourche; sons, Leroy Kidd of New Haven CT, Tom (Cindy) Kidd of Montgomery IL; 4 grandchildren, Morgan (Rachel) Kiley of Milbank, Dylon Kiley of Sioux Falls, Alexander Kiley of Arlington VA, Natalia Kidd of Bradley IL; 2 great grandchildren, Aspen and Lincoln Kiley; brother, David Kidd of Firestone CO; nieces, nephews, and honorary granddaughter, Amythest Schwender of Belle Fourche. He was preceded in death by his wife and parents.

Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills

Alice Helen Witte Enright 91

Alice Helen Witte Enright, 91, of Belle Fourche, SD, formerly of rural Corson County died on Friday, March 24, 2023 at Belle Estate in Belle Fourche. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 10:30 am MT at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Timber Lake with Father Brian Lane, Celebrant. Visitation will be held at the church on Monday, March 27 from 3-5:00 pm MT with a Parish Prayer Service and Rosary at 5:00 pm. Interment will be held at a later date at Timber Lake Cemetery.



Alice Helen Jung Witte Enright was born at home in Corson County, SD on October 6, 1931. Her name in German was Allus, meaning "this is all". However, she was the 6th of 14 children born to Matt and Anna (Chase) Jung. (9 sisters and 4 brothers). She grew up on the family farm and she always said "the girls worked just as hard as the boys!" She attended a country school for 8 years, then went to high school in Isabel for 2 years, and McIntosh for 2 years, graduating in 1949 as Salutatorian of her class. Playing girls basketball was one of her fondest memories in high school.

After graduation, she was hired to teach grades 1 through 8 at a county school south of Watauga, in the McIntosh school district. Math and History were her favorite subjects. She taught there for two years. During the summer she attended summer school to get her teaching certificate, one summer at Northern Normal School (now known as Northern State University), and the second summer at Black Hills College in Spearfish.

Alice loved music and dancing and met Edward Witte at a dance. They were married June 22, 1952 and lived south of McIntosh, on her brother Phillip's farm. In 1955, they purchased a dairy farm 11 miles northwest of Timber Lake, SD. Their first home was a basement house built into the side of a hill. In 1967 they moved into a "new" house they renovated. They farmed and milked dairy cows. Six children were born to them. Curtis (Sue) Witte of Pierre, SD, Sherry Witte of Norwood Young Amer-

ica, MN. Roxy (Craig) Hanson of San Diego, CA, Lynn Hayward of Columbus, OH, Leann (Vern) Hintz of Belle Fourche, SD and Roger (Samantha) Witte of Pierre, SD.

Edward passed away March 24, 1978. Alice moved to Timber Lake and was employed at Moreau Grand. While working there, she met A. Bryce Enright and they were married on June 15, 1984. This also expanded the family with two bonus children, Denver (Adele) and Rodney (Mavis) Enright of Timber Lake. Bryce and Alice lived in Timber Lake during the winter time and on the ranch 10 miles NE of Timber Lake during the rest of the year. They enjoyed traveling and saw much of the United States. After Bryce died (October 28, 2010) she remained in her home in Timber Lake until November of 2019 and then moved to Belle Fourche Estate Senior Living in Belle Fourche, SD.

Alice was a devoted mother, and proud of all her children; especially the fact that they all graduated from college. Throughout her life, she was a teacher, raised her children, gardened and canned, did upholstery work, was an EMT and was a secretary at Moreau Grand. She had many hobbies, including reading, sewing, gardening, playing harmonica, and baking (especially breads) and has won many awards at the achievement days for this. She had an impressive teapot collection and acquired many of them at auction sales. Later in life, she really enjoyed going to the casino. She enjoyed her many friends and was a member of the Holy Cross Catholic Church, Holy Cross Altar Society and Birthday Club.

She is survived by her 7 children, Curtis, Sherry, Roxy, Lynn, Leann, Roger and Rod. 21 grandchildren, 27 great grand children (soon to be 29), and 7 great, great grandchildren, 7 siblings; Jean, Agnes, Barbara, Beth, Mel, Tony, Pat.

She is preceded in death by her parents Matt and Anna, husbands Edward and Bryce, son Denver, siblings Phillip, Mick, Lawrence, Myrtle, Mary Ann, Francis.

Barbara Espinosa 82

Barbara Espinosa of Belle Fourche, returned to her Heavenly Father March 28, 2023. Barbara was born December 12, 1940 to George and Barbara (Baker) Knight in Provo, Utah. Barbara moved to Belle Fourche 3 years ago and loved the beauty of the Black Hills.

She is survived by her daughter Wendy Reed of Belle Fourche, 2 Grandsons and their wives, 2 Granddaughters, 4 great granddaughters and 1 great

grandson, 1 brother, 2 sisters, several nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death was her husband Louie, both of her parents, her daughter Marilou Winn, 1 brother and his wife, 1 sister and her husband.

Interment will be Wednesday April 5th, at Larkin Sunset Gardens in Sandy, Utah

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Andy Anderson of Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Pastor's Perspective



"What Does the Resurrection of Jesus mean to Us."

Luke 24:1-9. But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest.

There is hymn, originally written as a poem in 1866 that has become one of my favorites, it's "I Love to Tell the Story, by Katherine Hankey." One verse is "To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love." Why do I love to tell the story of Jesus? Because Jesus has radically and forever changed my life. He has given me a hope and purpose that this world cannot offer. A hope that is extended to all people, young or old, rich, or poor. A hope that extends beyond this life and into eternity. A hope that will never die.

The Word of God tells us that our sin has separated us from God and that we are all on a road that leads to destruction, namely hell and eventually the lake of fire. Destruction that is inevitable unless God intervenes.

God did intervene, He sent His Son to pay the price for our sin, to offer us forgiveness and to offer us eternal life. Jesus' resurrection from the dead proves that His sacrifice was acceptable of God and that through Him we can have forgiveness of our sin peace with God and eternal life.

In a world that appears to be falling apart, God offers hope and comfort. Everything is coming together, falling in place just like the Word of God, the Bible said it would. You can make peace with God and become a member of His family by realizing that you are a sinner, that Jesus died for your sin, that He rose from the dead and offers your forgiveness and eternal life. Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 10:9-13 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

A gift that is yours if you want it. Will you ask God to forgive you and call upon Jesus to save you? For spiritual assistance please text, email or call me. Blessings Pastor Andy - ebcfb.org

Christian Life Center Belle Fourche Holy Week Services

Friday, April 7th
Good Friday Communion Service 6:00 pm

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service
Pine Slope Cemetery 7:00 am
Free Brunch at CLC 8:00 am
Easter Sunday Service 10:30 am

Sunday, April 2nd
Palm Sunday Service at 10:30

Thursday, April 6th
"The Passion of the Christ"
Free community movie showing 6:00 pm

1 Corinthians 10:13
No temptation has seized you that isn't common for people. But God is faithful. He won't allow you to be tempted beyond your abilities. Instead, with the temptation, God will also supply a way out so that you will be able to endure it.



What a life she's led - and now she's 100!

Belle Fourche's Rosemary McMahon celebrates her 100th birthday on April 15th from 2-4 p.m. at the Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche. Please join us to honor this remarkable lady!





Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce

Event Calendar

April 7th & 8th - Saturday on State Street Market
 April 16th- Family Fun Day - Tri-State Museum and Visitors Center 2pm to 4pm
 April 17th - Community CPR/First Aid - Rec Center 5:30pm
 April 18th- Tax Day

More information at:
bellefourchechamber.org or call 605-892-2676

Stephen Dick, M.D., FACEP marks 30 years in Emergency Medicine

Stephen Dick, M.D., FACEP, has been recognized for 30 years of Emergency Medicine Board Certification by the American Board of Emergency Medicine (ABEM). He is an emergency medicine physician at Monument Health Rapid City Hospital Emergency Department and has previously served on the Monument Health Board of Directors and as the Director of the Emergency Department.

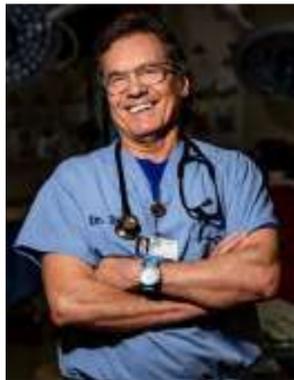
For his initial certification, Dr. Dick completed medical school and specialized training in Emergency Medicine. This was followed by completion of an examination that covers the breadth of Emergency Medicine.

"The Rapid City Hospital Emergency Room is a Level 2 Trauma Center. It's the largest, and busiest, Emergency Department in the tri-state area. We see close to 65,000 ER patients every year," said Steven Maser, M.D., Vice President of Medical Affairs at Monument Health. "When you look at that number of patients and multiply it by 30 years, you begin to see the incredible impact that Dr. Dick has had on our community. He is truly a pleasure to work with and I'm grateful for his dedication to providing high-quality care to his patients."

Monument Health Rapid City Hospital expanded its Emergency

Department in 2019. The updated space was 129 percent larger than the original footprint, with the capacity to treat 40 patients at a time. Dr. Dick oversaw both the design and opening of the expanded Emergency Room.

Board certification is a voluntary process, and reflects a dedication to the specialty of Emergency Medicine. Dr. Dick actively participates in a program of continuous learning to maintain his certification. The ABEM continuing certification process helps board-certified physicians stay up-to-date on current medical research and provides opportunities for practice improvement.



Stephen Dick, M.D.

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There will be a CDM and Horticulture public presentations event at the Spearfish Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, April 5 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Horse Safety Training (YHL) will be held at North Point Church in Spearfish on Tuesday, April 11 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Registration opens April 12 for 2023 4-H Camps "Safari With Me" will be held at Camp Storm Mountain in Rapid City,

SD.

The National 4-H Conference will take place April 14-19 in Arlington, VA. Jr. Leaders will meet Sunday, April 16 from 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

Butte and Lawrence Leaders will meet at 6:00 p.m. on April 18 at UCC followed by Redwater at 7:00 p.m.

Youth Livestock Literacy (YLL) will be held April 23 at 2:00 p.m. at the Newell School. Registration is not required.



Party to be held in honor of Rosemary McMahon's 100th

Long-time Belle Fourche community member, Rosemary McMahon, will be honored at a party for her 100th birthday on Saturday, April 15 from 2-4 p.m. at the Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center.

A proclamation about the event will be provided by Mayor

Randy Schmidt.

Refreshments to be provided by a committee helmed by Alberta Krush, with assistance from the museum and visitor center staff.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, please call the Tri-State at 605-723-1200.

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 Dan Carlson, Pastor
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 Sunday Schedule:
 Long Term Care Service: 8:45 a.m.
 Sunday School: All ages 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
 1105 Todd St.
 John Allred, Bishop
 Sunday: 10 a.m. Sacrament Meeting
 Sunday School:
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 11 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

Emmanuel Baptist
 902 Lawrence St. - 723-6899
 Andy Anderson, Pastor
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State AAU Wrestling Tournament Held in Aberdeen

Program has 3 state Champions; Bachman has undefeated Season

State AAU was held in Aberdeen a week ago last weekend. From Friday to Sunday 1470 wrestlers competed for a state championship in their division.

Belle Fourche had 3 wrestlers compete in the freestyle divi-

sion Friday night. Lucas Tonsager placed 1st, Riley Dighton 2nd and Garett Huston 6th.

Saturday BF had 10 wrestling Saturday and Sunday.

Royce Bachman finished an undefeated season earning his first state title and Kyra Vandenberg earned another state title.

Ema Leach placed 2nd. Elizabeth Tonsager and Lia Mundt placed 3rd. Logan Gleason

placed 8th. Bayzen Curtis, Brady Hakala, Kolby Tibbs and Kendall Owen qualified for State but did not place.

To have 5 kids in the state finals and 3 champions was a great achievement for the Belle Fourche AAU program.

The youth wrestling program wants to thank all the coaches and other volunteers for their time they put into the kids.



Royce Bachman pins his opponent in the championship match pin to take the title and cap an undefeated season. *Courtesy Photo*

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Kyra Vandenberg



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BFHS Prom and Post Prom

Alyssa Frisbie
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On Saturday, March 25, Belle Fourche High School hosted their prom. This year's theme was "Dancing in the Clouds"

and was sponsored by the junior class and their advisors, Emma Thomas and Kyle Haxton. 204 students attended at prom, as there were 100 couples and 4 singles.

The night started off with Grand March at 7:00 p.m., as the couples posed for pictures with the decorated set. Alluding to the theme, the set was complete with lots of balloons, clouds, and lights.

After Grand March, the dancing portion began with a disc jockey from Colt 45 Entertainment. It was a fun time that went until 11:00 p.m.

After prom ended, post prom began with the theme of "Casino Night." Post prom was complete with mobile escape rooms, bingo, cornhole, blow-up events, and more.

There was also free food and a coffee stand available to the students. During these events, students could earn more "cash" to put into a drawing.

At about 1:00 a.m., the

hypnotist, Chris Jones, took over the night. Chris Jones is a hypnotist and comedian that was on "America's Got Talent" and is originally from Chicago, Illinois. The students had a lot of fun during the hypnotist's show, as a group of their peers were hypnotized.

After this, the students won some prizes that were sponsored by the Parents Who Care organization. There was a cash drawing, which is where someone would draw out of the bucket of "cash" and the number on it won. Aside from this, there were nice prizes that students would get based on when their number was drawn.

It started with the seniors and then the juniors were eligible to win prizes. Some of the gifts included items such as TVs, mini fridges, laptops, printers, and even things like towels.

Overall, both prom and post prom had a great turn-out.

Thank you to Emma Thomas and Kyle Haxton, Colt 45 Entertainment for the DJ, Traci Nowowiejski and Kelly Keegan for coordinating post prom, members of the Parents Who Care organization, and many others who helped with donations as well as their time to put on these events for the BFHS students who greatly appreciated and enjoyed them.



Senior class president **Nicole Kraft** and **Gunnar Geib** start off the Grand March on prom night.



Daniel Krajewski and **Chloe Merjil** pose during Grand March.



Devin Nowowiejski and **Lily McCarty** pose during Grand March.



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Ayden Kummer, Lainna Ruby, and Morgan Mackaben enjoy the second walk through at Grand March. *All images courtesy of Lesa Krajewski/BFHS Yearbook*



Dancing to the music provided by Colt 45 Entertainment.



Izzabella Ramos, Justice Njos & Lily McCarty enjoy a cornhole competition at post prom.



Dustin Kolb, Grace Clooten, Sloan Young & Matthew Goodwin compete in the escape room at post prom.

Show Up by Belle LaVenue



The Belle Fourche Rec Center Theater is really hopping as we enjoy April through Easter and beyond. It won't be a long wait until the next show!

It would be great to see YOU on stage in April at the FAB Community Talent & Variety Show. The Fine Arts Boosters welcome all interested volunteers to their meeting this coming Wednesday at the Grap's Wine Room to plan for the TALENT & VARIETY SHOW on April 30th at the Belle Fourche Community Hall. BF MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS & COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS are TEAMING UP for this expanded variety show which now will include a Festival of Fine Arts for all ages starting at 1 PM with pre-show activities including snacks, live music, cakewalk, silent auction, and more! At 3 PM the main show features local musical, instrumental, and comedic performers. Acts of all kinds can still join the show, so get your act together and contact Belle Fourche FAB at bfhsfab@gmail.com to be part of a FUN community event!

APRIL 21 & 22 @ 7 PM, & 23 @ 2 PM at the Rec Center Theater - the Belle Fourche High School Theater program presents the classic and eternally popular musical, **THE MUSIC MAN**. The high school thespians and their directors, ToiLyn Flick, Nathan Schreier, and Micah Pennel have just started practices for this show that is full of familiar and famous music and characters. You will definitely want to send these show dates to your spring calendar!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for these upcoming Fine Arts Events:

- THE MUSIC MAN - BFHS Spring Musical - April 21 & 22 @ 7 PM, & 23 @ 2 PM at the Rec Center Theater.
- APRIL 24 - Center of the Nation Concert Series presents: HOW SWEET IT IS! Tribute to James Taylor at the Rec Center @ 7 PM.
- APRIL 30 - BF FAB COMMUNITY TALENT & VARIETY SHOW! Belle Fourche Community Hall.
- MAY 4 - Middle School Band Concert - BFRC 6:30 PM
- MAY 9 - Middle School 6th/7th/8th Chorus Concert - BFRC 6:30 PM
- MAY 11 High School Band/Chorus Concert - BFRC 7:00 PM
- MAY 12, 13, & 14 - Pride and Prejudice, Belle Fourche Area Community Theater

Maybe YOU know what SHOW is UP next? Share your fine arts tid bits and upcoming events at bellelavenue@gmail.com. I especially love the juicy backstage dish and green room gossip! Mark your cal-

Newell CDE Results

Nicole Kraft
FFA Reporter

This past week, Belle Fourche FFA members competed at the Newell CDE.

Newell CDE Results Ag Mechanics – Ryan Wood 7th, Kyle Hendrickson 4th Team 4th; Agronomy – Soren Kopp 9th, Tucker Hughes 7th, Clay

Mackaben 4th, Taya Kirstine 2nd, Morgan Mackaben 1st – Team 1st
Food Science – Keenan McInerney 8th, Wyatt Lesmeister 5th, Ashtyn Hight 4th, Jazlyn Olson 3rd, Team 2nd; Horse Evaluation – Mataya Ward 8th, Anika Main 3rd, Team 2nd; Livestock Evaluation – Joseph McLennan 10th, Rachel Lee 9th, Team 3rd; Meat Evaluation – Casen Schmidt 10th, Koby Bowden 5th, Trey Smeenk 3rd, Cody Foos 2nd, Carter McKenna 1st
Milk Quality – Olivia Furrow 4th, Lydia Main 3rd, Ava McLennan 2nd, Dustin Kolb 1st, Team 1st; Natural Resources – Izzabella Ramos 4th, Ariana Richter 3rd; Vet Science – Atlee Olson 6th, Kord Colburn 3rd, Team 1st; This next Wednesday, students will compete at Sturgis!



Taya Kirstine and Bailey Moke are all smiles at Newell CDE. *Courtesy Photo*

BHSU Festival Choir



Local area schools were invited to nominate deserving students to participate in Black Hills State University's annual Festival Choir this past Monday. At this event, selected students had the opportunity to learn select choral music on their own time and join together for one day and have one performance as a large group. High Schools in attendance included Belle Fourche, Spearfish, Sturgis, Sundance, Custer, Hot Springs, Douglas, RC Central, and more. Those selected from Belle Fourche HS included Brooklynn Roden, Nick Tolley, Maesie Blankenship, Nic Lambert, Maggie McCord, Sophia Thompson, Tim Thompson, Alex Klocek, Nell Uskoski, Kyha Trainor, Nyomi Woltkamp, and Brodie McNeese. *Courtesy Photo*

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Tues, April 11th
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Retirement after 44 years at NRCS

Helping former Mayor Gary Hendrickson commemorate his retirement from Natural Resources Conservation Service are: Left to Right, Front Row; **Bob Bennett, Gary Hendrickson, Randy Schmidt, Greg Fuller, Kenny Merrell** Class of '77 ; Back Row, Left to Right, **Bruce Schmidt (72), David O'Dea, Bob Packer, Roger Rhoads, Gene Fuller & Jay Eliason.** All but the two with years behind them are Class of 76. The group have all known each other for at least 50 years and some of them 60 years. Great group to call life long friends! *Courtesy Photo*

Anything Left in the Barrel?

TGIF has its rewards this-Friday March 31!

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The Branding Iron and the Belle Fourche, in spite of a Friday snow storm that messed up roads and kept many of us at home held their "Customer Appreciation Event" * * *

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By: Doug Cole

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The cover of the 2023-2024 Belle Fourche Tourism/Destination Magazine debuted Friday night at the Customer Appreciation Event. Pictured from left: **Roxi Dobesh**, Branding Iron, **Doug Cole** and **Brianne Bonnet**, the Beacon, **Bailey Sadowsky** (Magazine Creative Development), and **Toni Moncur** the Branding Iron owner. *ME PIX Images Courtesy Photo*

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| Wednesday March 29 | @ Rapid City Central Varsity | | 7:00pm |
| Sunday April 2 | **v. Winner Colome** | | 1:00pm |
| Sunday April 2 | v. Hot Springs | | 5:00pm |
| Thursday April 6 | @ Rapid City Christian | 5:00pm | 7:00pm |
| Monday April 10 | @ Rapid City Stevens JV | | 12:00pm |
| Monday April 10 | @ Rapid City Stevens Varsity | | 2:30pm |
| Wednesday April 12 | @ Rapid City Central JV | 5:00pm | |
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| Lewis, Jesse, Black Hawk SD | 3 | Blk | Hfr | 1346 | \$2,075.00 |
| Lewis, Jesse, Black Hawk SD | 2 | Blk | 4-5 | 1292 | \$1,475.00 |
| Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT | 1 | Blk | 3 Years | 1210 | \$1,450.00 |
| Randall Inc, Broadus MT | 10 | Blk | Hfr | 912 | \$1,675.00 |
| Randall Inc, Broadus MT | 6 | Blk | Hfr | 909 | \$1,750.00 |
| Randall Inc, Broadus MT | 12 | Blk | Hfr | 890 | \$1,725.00 |

Feeder Cattle

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|--|----|------|-----|------|----------|
| Brassfield, Steven, Caputa SD | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1185 | \$147.00 |
| Davis Ranches, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | Rbld | Str | 585 | \$229.00 |
| Davis Ranches, Belle Fourche SD | 2 | Rbld | Str | 527 | \$229.00 |
| Davis Ranches, Belle Fourche SD | 3 | Hfr | Hfr | 483 | \$220.00 |
| Flottmeyer, Mel, Piedmont SD | 1 | Bld | Hfr | 1420 | \$111.00 |
| Gergen, Billy, Broadus MT | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1150 | \$131.00 |
| Janvrin Jr, Clair C, Ludlow SD | 5 | Blk | Str | 557 | \$249.00 |
| Janvrin Jr, Clair C, Ludlow SD | 1 | Blk | Str | 420 | \$253.00 |
| Janvrin Jr, Clair C, Ludlow SD | 2 | Blk | Hfr | 572 | \$200.00 |
| Janvrin Jr, Clair C, Ludlow SD | 3 | Bld | Hfr | 381 | \$227.00 |
| Jones, Leroy J, Rozet WY | 3 | Bld | Str | 593 | \$233.00 |
| Kolka Livestock, Olive MT | 1 | Red | Hfr | 1005 | \$161.00 |
| Kolka Livestock, Olive MT | 4 | Red | Hfr | 963 | \$169.00 |
| Kolka Livestock, Olive MT | 3 | Red | Hfr | 923 | \$170.00 |
| Long Pines Land & Livestock, Buffalo SD | 3 | Blk | Str | 1066 | \$158.00 |
| Long Pines Land & Livestock, Buffalo SD | 8 | Blk | Str | 489 | \$229.50 |
| Long Pines Land & Livestock, Buffalo SD | 2 | B/R | Str | 642 | \$187.00 |
| Nixon, Reni, Alzada MT | 3 | Blk | Str | 611 | \$227.00 |
| Nixon, Reni, Alzada MT | 2 | Blk | Hfr | 502 | \$215.00 |
| Rasmussen, Dean/Maxine, Camp Crook SD | 12 | Bld | Str | 588 | \$242.00 |
| Rasmussen, Dean/Maxine, Camp Crook SD | 3 | Hfr | Str | 651 | \$222.00 |
| Rasmussen, Dean/Maxine, Camp Crook SD | 14 | Bld | Hfr | 520 | \$220.50 |
| Rasmussen, Dean/Maxine, Camp Crook SD | 2 | Blk | Hfr | 400 | \$225.00 |
| Schultes, Andrew, Frazer MT | 1 | Blk | Str | 1095 | \$131.00 |
| Schultes, Andrew, Frazer MT | 6 | B/R | Str | 1089 | \$150.00 |
| Schultes, Andrew, Frazer MT | 4 | B/R | Str | 795 | \$160.50 |
| Sprague, Dale Or Ruth Ann, Mud Butte SD | 21 | Blk | Hfr | 542 | \$217.00 |
| Swisher, Paul, Spearfish SD | 3 | Blk | Str | 493 | \$238.00 |
| Tavegie, Todd/Michael Troy, Newcastle WY | 3 | Blk | Hfr | 1178 | \$147.00 |

Weigh Up Cows

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|--|----|------|---------|------|----------|
| Bishop, Alan, Hermosa SD | 1 | Bld | Cow | 1145 | \$104.00 |
| Brassfield, Steven, Caputa SD | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 910 | \$133.00 |
| Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT | 1 | Blk | Cow | 1385 | \$95.00 |
| Christensen, Launa, Newcastle WY | 1 | Blk | Cow | 1635 | \$95.50 |
| Christensen, Launa, Newcastle WY | 6 | Blk | Hfr | 1110 | \$160.00 |
| Croell Revocable Trust, Roger, Sundance WY | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 825 | \$122.00 |
| Duprel, Darc, Vale SD | 1 | Blk | Cow | 1460 | \$94.50 |
| Duprel, Darc, Vale SD | 5 | Blk | Cow | 1424 | \$95.00 |
| Duprel, Darc, Vale SD | 4 | Blk | Cowette | 1223 | \$119.00 |
| Gaskill, Dan, Volborg MT | 3 | Blk | Hfr | 1151 | \$146.00 |
| Gaskill, Dan, Volborg MT | 4 | Blk | Hfr | 980 | \$168.00 |
| Gergen, Billy, Broadus MT | 1 | Blk | Cowette | 1390 | \$92.00 |
| Gergen, Billy, Broadus MT | 1 | Blk | Cowette | 1070 | \$121.00 |
| Green Acre Ranch Inc, Olive MT | 3 | Cow | | 1318 | \$94.00 |
| Green Acre Ranch Inc, Olive MT | 1 | Bld | Cow | 1605 | \$94.50 |
| Harn, Keith, Caputa SD | 3 | Red | Cowette | 1626 | \$96.50 |
| Hansen, Ken Or Pam, Fruitdale SD | 5 | Blk | Hfr | 1129 | \$157.00 |
| Hansen, Ken Or Pam, Fruitdale SD | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 905 | \$145.00 |
| H-C Feeders, Rozet WY | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1160 | \$120.00 |
| Humbrecht Bros, Camp Crook SD | 4 | Bld | Hfr | 1078 | \$129.00 |
| Humbrecht Bros, Camp Crook SD | 2 | Red | Cow | 1345 | \$94.00 |
| Humbrecht Bros, Camp Crook SD | 1 | R/Ch | Cowette | 1115 | \$110.00 |
| Janvrin Jr, Clair C, Ludlow SD | 5 | Blk | Cow | 1603 | \$94.50 |
| Janvrin Jr, Clair C, Ludlow SD | 1 | Blk | Cowette | 1325 | \$102.00 |
| Janvrin Jr, Clair C, Ludlow SD | 11 | Blk | Cowette | 1216 | \$109.00 |
| Jochim, Mark, Belle Fourche SD | 2 | Blk | Cow | 1357 | \$94.00 |
| Kinghorn, Ray, St Onge SD | 1 | Hfr | Cow | 1520 | \$94.00 |
| Kinghorn, Ray, St Onge SD | 1 | Hfr | Hfr | 1210 | \$96.00 |
| Kudlock Ranch, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 945 | \$165.00 |
| Lambert, Bill & Or Marcia, Osage WY | 3 | Red | Hfr | 1023 | \$120.00 |
| Lambert, Bill & Or Marcia, Osage WY | 6 | Red | Hfr | 970 | \$168.00 |
| Mattson, Jay, Sturgis SD | 1 | Bld | Cowette | 1600 | \$95.00 |
| Open 8 Ranch, Broadus MT | 2 | Blk | Cow | 1440 | \$94.50 |
| Open 8 Ranch, Broadus MT | 1 | Blk | Cowette | 1345 | \$105.00 |
| Open 8 Ranch, Broadus MT | 1 | Blk | Cowette | 1090 | \$130.00 |
| Open 8 Ranch, Broadus MT | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1080 | \$125.00 |
| Open 8 Ranch, Broadus MT | 4 | Blk | Hfr | 1047 | \$169.00 |
| Peterson, Scott, Belle Fourche SD | 2 | Blk | Hfr | 1002 | \$130.00 |
| Peterson, Scott, Belle Fourche SD | 5 | Blk | Hfr | 915 | \$171.00 |
| Plucker, Jeff, Aladdin WY | 3 | Blk | Cow | 1415 | \$97.00 |
| Plucker, Jeff, Aladdin WY | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1200 | \$125.00 |
| RBJ Ranch West LLC, Elroy WI | 3 | Blk | Cowette | 1505 | \$94.00 |
| RBJ Ranch West LLC, Elroy WI | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 930 | \$141.00 |
| Redding, Dave, Hulett WY | 4 | Bld | Cowette | 1351 | \$96.50 |
| Ryan XZ Ranch LLC, Aladdin WY | 1 | Blk | Cow | 1380 | \$95.00 |
| Ryan XZ Ranch LLC, Aladdin WY | 2 | Blk | Cow | 1367 | \$94.00 |

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|--|---|-----|---------|------|----------|
| Ryan XZ Ranch LLC, Aladdin WY | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1185 | \$127.00 |
| S Bar 7 Livestock, Plevna MT | 3 | Blk | Hfr | 883 | \$169.00 |
| Schuldies, Steve, Nisland SD | 3 | Blk | Cow | 1460 | \$95.00 |
| Schuldies, Steve, Nisland SD | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1210 | \$111.00 |
| Sleep Ranch LLC, Spearfish SD | 5 | Blk | Hfr | 1049 | \$165.00 |
| Swaney, Jeff Or Michelle, Rozet WY | 1 | Blk | Cow | 910 | \$117.50 |
| Tavegie, Todd/Michael Troy, Newcastle WY | 2 | Blk | Cow | 1517 | \$95.50 |
| Tavegie, Todd/Michael Troy, Newcastle WY | 1 | Blk | Cow | 1185 | \$120.00 |
| Thompson, Ed, Sturgis SD | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 1035 | \$155.00 |
| Thompson, Ed, Sturgis SD | 1 | Blk | Hfr | 850 | \$170.00 |
| Tripp, Ralph & Gerald, Gillette WY | 7 | Blk | Cow | 1430 | \$96.50 |
| Tripp, Ralph & Gerald, Gillette WY | 1 | Blk | Cowette | 1260 | \$116.00 |
| Vanden Bos, Jerry Or Nora, Rapid City SD | 1 | Blk | Cow | 1320 | \$94.00 |
| Vore, Tom & Susan, Newcastle WY | 3 | Bld | Cow | 1508 | \$95.00 |
| West, William Or Darla, Oshoto WY | 1 | Blk | Cowette | 1150 | \$112.00 |

Weigh Up Bulls

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|-------------------------------------|---|-----|------|------|----------|
| Crowley-Johnson, Kate, St Onge SD | 1 | Blk | Bull | 1385 | \$102.00 |
| Gay Ranch Inc, Broadus MT | 1 | Blk | Bull | 2035 | \$120.00 |
| Habeck, Mike, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | Red | Bull | 1645 | \$124.00 |
| Habeck, Mike, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | Red | Bull | 1495 | \$110.00 |
| Habeck, Mike, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | Red | Bull | 1255 | \$115.00 |
| King, Dale Or Helen, Hammond MT | 1 | Blk | Bull | 2075 | \$110.00 |
| King, Dale Or Helen, Hammond MT | 2 | Blk | Bull | 1662 | \$109.00 |
| King, Dale Or Helen, Hammond MT | 1 | Blk | Bull | 1075 | \$129.00 |
| Lambert, Bill & Or Marcia, Osage WY | 1 | Red | Bull | 1795 | \$107.50 |
| Mitchler, Tyler, Newell SD | 1 | Blk | Bull | 2270 | \$102.00 |
| Olson, Clay Or Molly, Newell SD | 1 | Hfr | Bull | 2025 | \$108.00 |
| Seldo Inc, Boyes MT | 1 | Blk | Bull | 2040 | \$106.00 |
| Seldo Inc, Boyes MT | 1 | Blk | Bull | 1740 | \$107.00 |
| Vore, Tom & Susan, Newcastle WY | 1 | Blk | Bull | 1675 | \$108.00 |

Friday, April 7, 2023

Feeder Cattle & Replacement Hfr Special

Kammerer Angus Bull Sale

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9:30 AM - Weigh Up Cattle 11:30 AM - Feeder Cattle

1:00 PM - Bull Sales

1:00 PM - Wilson Bull Sale

BT-Branding Time Shots PC-PreCondition Shots DF-Drug Free

BV-Bangs Vaccinated NI- No Implants

Feeder Cattle

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| Pzinski Ranch - 110 Blk Strs - 600-700# - BT, PC | - 85 Blk Hfrs - 550-650# - BT, PC |
| Phil Verwolf - 115 Blk Mostly Hfrs - 600-675# - BT, PC, Poured, BV, Replacement Kind | SD Consignment - 100 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 550-650# - BT, PC |
| Dean Rasmussen - 67 Blk Hfrs - 675-700# - BT, PC, NI, Poured BV, Replacement Quality | Semlek Ranch - 55 Blk Hfrs - 550-625# - BT, PC, BV |
| Troy Johnson - 20 Blk Bulls - 900-950# - BT, PC | - 20 Blk Hfrs - 575-600# - BT, PC, Weaned |
| Mike Malenovsky - 40 Red Strs - 600-675# - BT, Weaned | Mitch Paulsen - 30 Blk Mostly Hfrs - 550-600# - BT, PC |
| Bill Janssen - 20 Blk Hfrs - 750# - BT, PC, Poured, BV, Hr, Replacement Kind | Lynn & Gloria Smith - 20 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 650-750# |
| Jake Kammerer - 10 Blk Hfrs - 650-700# - BT, PC, BV, Replacement Kind | |

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April 28th - Bred Cow & Pair Special - Selling All Classes

May 5th - Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special - Selling All Classes

May 12th - Bred Cow & Pair Special - Selling All Classes

May 19th - Regular Sale & Turn Out Bull Sale - Selling All Classes

May 26th - Pair Special - Selling All Classes

June 2nd - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

June 9th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

June 16th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

June 23rd - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

June 30th - No Sale

July 7th - No Sale

July 14th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

July 21st - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

July 28th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

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Sheep Report - Thursday, March 30, 2023

Lamb market was steady to \$10 lower
Slaughter ewes sold \$5 to \$10 lower

Next Sale - April 6th - Regular Sheep Sale - 1 PM
Animals should be here by noon so they can be weighed before the sale
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Feeder Lambs

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|-------------------------------------|-----|------|-----|----------|
| Archer, Deb, Olive MT | 9 | Lamb | 82 | \$184.50 |
| Baker, Brad, Hermosa SD | 20 | Lamb | 116 | \$141.00 |
| Jensen, Andrew, Newell SD | 18 | Lamb | 95 | \$164.00 |
| Kronberg Land & Livestock, Bison SD | 32 | Lamb | 69 | \$180.00 |
| Kronberg Land & Livestock, Bison SD | 50 | Lamb | 58 | \$176.00 |
| Mackaben, Morgan, Belle Fourche SD | 15 | Lamb | 78 | \$191.00 |
| Mackaben, Morgan, Belle Fourche SD | 14 | Lamb | 60 | \$191.00 |
| Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY | 36 | Lamb | 62 | \$191.00 |
| Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY | 14 | Lamb | 90 | \$188.00 |
| Sand Creek Cattle Co, Jordan MT | 109 | Lamb | 81 | \$196.50 |
| Sand Creek Cattle Co, Jordan MT | 29 | Lamb | 100 | \$151.00 |
| Sarsland, Richard & Ruby, Ludlow SD | 24 | Lamb | 66 | \$216.00 |
| Sarsland, Richard & Ruby, Ludlow SD | 4 | Lamb | 57 | \$212.00 |

Slaughter Ewes

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|--|----|-------|-----|---------|
| Green Acre Ranch Inc, Olive MT | 5 | K Ewe | 170 | \$55.00 |
| Heibertshausen, Gary Or Joyce, Alzada MT | 7 | K Ewe | 197 | \$65.00 |
| Heibertshausen, Gary Or Joyce, Alzada MT | 8 | K Ewe | 146 | \$45.00 |
| Mackaben, Morgan, Belle Fourche SD | 8 | K Ewe | 181 | \$65.00 |
| Reid, Victor, Nisland SD | 11 | K Ewe | 185 | \$65.00 |
| Reid, Victor, Nisland SD | 7 | K Ewe | 150 | \$55.00 |
| Reid, Victor, Nisland SD | 4 | K Ewe | 140 | \$45.00 |
| Sand Creek Cattle Co, Jordan MT | 9 | K Ewe | 146 | \$55.00 |

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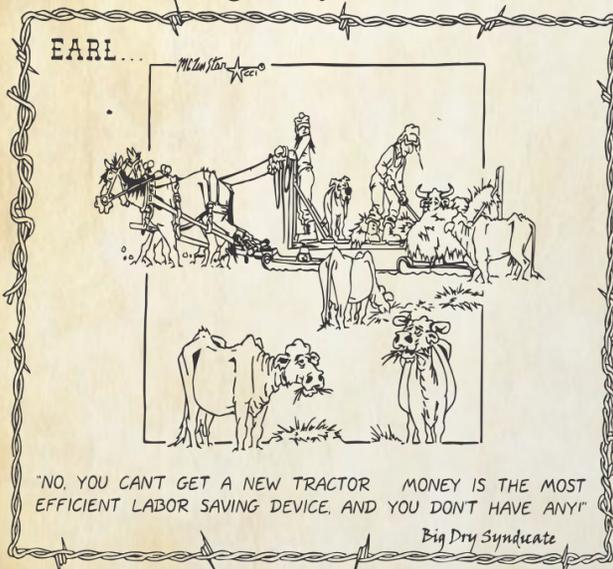


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Jim Thompson takes motivational stories that listeners and readers send him and incorporates them into the program. It has been on the air for more than 10 years.

Baseball remains my favorite sport. Despite changing the rule, despite the money that changed the players, despite all of that, I still like baseball...Throw the ball, hit the ball, catch the ball. Baseball is underway! Play Ball. This is from Cam Lind's Facebook page. He and I share love of this sport.

A Thing Called Baseball

It starts this week.....Baseball and the Boys Of The Summer... the season is underway. Along with that comes the hopes of the wide eyed rookie, the old middle reliever trying to coax another year out of "the old soupbone", the veteran slugger with the bad knees that is hanging on as a designated hitter, the manager of a low level team that is already on the hot seat and the season has not started, the hotshot prospect that was a surprising addition to the roster, the middle infielder that has fashioned a career with a steady glove and average bat, the speedy kid that made it as a substitute outfielder, the superstar with the more than three hundred million dollar long term contract, the star twirler that is coming back from "Tommy John surgery", the aging

player trying to finally win the World Series Ring, the former big leaguer that caught on as a first base coach, the heavy drinker, the ladies man, the devout Christian, the foreign players that are just learning a new language, the aging



veteran kept on the team because of their conduct and wisdom in the locker room. the catcher with the creaky legs, bad back and still rocket arm that can handle the temperament of the pitching staff. Ah yes they will be together in the various cities and will share that one common bond, the love of the game. As James Earl Jones said in "Field Of

Dreams"....."There is one thing that remains constant and that is baseball.....Play ball and the best to your favorite team....."

Sitting here remembering Bobby Richardson, Ralph Terry and Willy McCovey and hundreds of others, I'm Jim Thompson

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Wilén Enterprises Water: Drinking Water Report

WATER QUALITY: Last year, the Wilén Enterprises Water monitored your drinking water for possible contaminants. This report is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

Water Source : We serve more than 38 customers an average of 137,000 gallons of water per day. Our water is groundwater that we produce from local wells. The state has performed an assessment of our source water and they have determined that the relative susceptibility rating for the Wilén Enterprises Water public water supply system is low.

Additional Information: The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk.

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium

and other microbial contaminants can be obtained by calling the Environment Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Wilén Enterprises Water public water supply system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Detected Contaminants: The attached table lists all the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the 2022 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done January 1 – December 31, 2022. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

For more information about your water and information on opportunities to participate in public meetings, call and ask for Duane Wilén.

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WISDOM FROM OUT WEST!
The Opinions of Robert Dennis.

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A Tip of the Ol' Fedora

Awhile back the locals had a fund raiser for Chance, the son who broke both wrists and then his house burnt down. A fine young lady from Belle Fourche, Naomi Bennett, donated a custom made, 100 % pure beaver fur hat, to be auctioned off, that she makes at her business, Put A Lid On It. I happened to get it bought and then when in Belle not long after made arrangements to stop in and get measured and get all the particulars down. I have known of her for quite some time and have watched her build her business, building hats.

This past week we had errands in the Hills and she notified me that the hat was done, so we stopped in and picked it up. Man, she did a nice job (see photo above right). Looks great, feels great and just what I ordered. I would highly recommend her and her hats to anyone. She has a little, log cabin on the north side of town, up by the water tower or tank. If your thinking you would like a hat, swing in and talk to her. Might want to call her first or look her up on Social Media, as she is a busy lady. She has been night lambing for a neighboring rancher and commented on helping to calve heifers earlier in the season. If I remember correctly,

she told me one time that she and a friend had built the cabin. It's way cool!

While in the fair city, we stopped in at Cowboys Too, to harass the help. Sadly, Michell was out with sickness, but that cranky ol feller that ramrods the place was in there, and was fun to pick on. Even found me a shirt I decided I needed. I usually get into Pete Boots and Western Wear also, but we were getting pressed for time so didn't get to stop.

I wonder if people in the local area, just take these and most the other businesses for granted and their stock of wares. We live far enough away, Belle isn't our regular shopping area, but I always enjoy stopping in any of the shops there. Friendly and knowledgeable help who seem to be happy to see you and treat you like a friend and not just a customer. Thats the kind of people I like to do business with. When I need shirts or pants, and am in the big city of Rapid, I dread it, as there don't seem to be many shops that have what I want and most have the exact same items as the other, and many times, you have to basically wait on your self. I hope Belle always remains small town shopping. It used to be that way in all these towns. But like most good things that used to be, it is getting to be a



thing of the past.

And also, what about this weather? I read people complaining because it is cold and wintry. But I also see they are shutting down the snow mobile trails in the Hills. Seems to me like the end of March to first of April usually is kind of a mixture of cold and warm around here. I don't think the ol' boy who made the calendar and wrote down March 20 as the first day of spring comes from around here! I would say it is closer to May first to the 15th anyway. I guess it all depends on what you call spring weather.

In the mean time, lets hope all the fog we got awhile back, that was foretelling moisture around here, comes as warm rains. But even if it comes as snow, we will take it! After all, we ain't got much choice. Might as well like what we got, we can't change it, tho' I read the government is trying. If it is like most things they try to "improve", watch out!

Hope you get to wear your slickers a bunch in the near future with warm rain coming down!

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Asphalt Crack Sealing Scheduled to Begin in NW South Dakota

BELLE FOURCHE. – The South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) says asphalt crack sealing will begin on various routes in northwest South Dakota beginning the week of Monday, April 3, 2023.

Each route will take approximately one week to complete and the contractor will move from one project to the next in the following order:

U.S. Highway 85 – Project will begin in Belle Fourche and run north 12 miles.
 U.S. Highway 85 – Project will begin at the Harding County line and run north for 12 miles.
 S.D. Highway 20 – Project will begin 12 miles East of Buffalo and end in Prairie City.
 S.D. Highway 79 – Project will begin at the Highway 79 and Ludlow Road Junction and end at the North Dakota state line.
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2022 Table of Detected Regulated Contaminants For Wilen Enterprises Water (EPA ID 2257)

Terms and abbreviations used in this table:

- * Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- * Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- * Action Level (AL): the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. For Lead and Copper, 90% of the samples must be below the AL.
- * Treatment Technique (TT): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. For turbidity, 95% of samples must be less than 0.3 NTU.
- * Running Annual Average (RAA): Compliance is calculated using the running annual average of samples from designated monitoring locations.

Units:

- *MFL: million fibers per liter
- *mrem/year: millirem per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
- *NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Units
- *pCi/l: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
- *ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
- *ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
- *ppt: parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
- *ppq: parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
- *pspm: positive samples per month

| Substance | 90% Level | Test Sites > Action Level | Date Tested | Highest Level Allowed (AL) | Ideal Goal | Units | Major Source of Contaminant |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------|---|
| Copper | 0.1 | 0 | 08/31/22 | AL=1.3 | 0 | ppm | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives. |
| Lead | 1 | 0 | 08/31/22 | AL=15 | 0 | ppb | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits. |
| Substance | Highest Level Detected | Range | Date Tested | Highest Level Allowed (MCL) | Ideal Goal (MCLG) | Units | Major Source of Contaminant |
| Alpha emitters | 3 | ND - 3 | 07/05/22 | 15 | 0 | pCi/l | Erosion of natural deposits. |
| Barium | 0.035 | | 07/05/22 | 2 | 2 | ppm | Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits. |
| Combined Radium | 1 | ND - 1 | 07/05/22 | 5 | 0 | pCi/l | Erosion of natural deposits. |
| Fluoride | 0.72 | | 07/05/22 | 4 | <4 | ppm | Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum facilities. |
| Nitrate (as Nitrogen) | 0.556 | | 07/05/22 | 10 | 10 | ppm | Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits. |
| Selenium | 3 | | 07/05/22 | 50 | 50 | ppb | Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines. |

Please direct questions regarding this information to Ms Victoria Dungey with the Wilen Enterprises Water public water system.

2022 Information on Violations For Wilen Enterprises Water (EPA ID 2257)
 (This Drinking Water Report can be used as a Tier III Public Notice if distributed to each customer within 12 months of when the system was notified of the violation.)

| Violation Type | Parameter | Date System Notified | Duration In Months | Health Effects Language | Action Taken By Your System |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Lack of Certified Operator | DSP Stage 1 | 08/10/23 | | | Back in compliance. |

For additional information concerning any violation please contact Ms Victoria Dungey with the Wilen Enterprises Water public water system.

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"Young Dogs, Old Dogs" oil

Mick Harrison

I've always had a respect for working cow dogs. There are two "old dogs" in this painting and one young one.



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Central Meade County News



By Sandy Rhoden

After two warmer, sunny days of melting on Saturday and Sunday from Friday's little snowstorm, folks braced for the next round that was expected for Monday and Tuesday. It has been the consensus throughout the whole state of South Dakota that folks are all more than ready for spring. We are in hopes that this week's precipitation via snow will be the last. This roller coaster of a weather pattern could easily lock us down on Tuesday but allow for a great Easter egg hunt on Sunday.

The main concern about weather isn't so much for our convenience, but for the stress it puts on expecting mama cows and newborn calves. Safe travels for necessary trips are also a big concern. So this week there likely will be and have been many prayers sent up for safety all around.

There was a pot luck dinner after church services in Union Center on Sunday. Following the pot luck dinner was a bridal shower for Rachel Cammack at 2:00 pm. She will marry Austin Tate on May 20. There was a nice turnout of ladies from the community as well as some family from near and far. Fruit cabobs, home made mints and other tasty treats were served. Attendees learned a lot about the bride as well as more about the groom during the fun activities they took part in. It was a beautiful, sunny day for a bridal shower.

Many ranchers and members of Meade County are in the thick of calving as well as paying taxes. 'Tis the 'tax' season. In a couple of weeks, many will be marking their calendars for

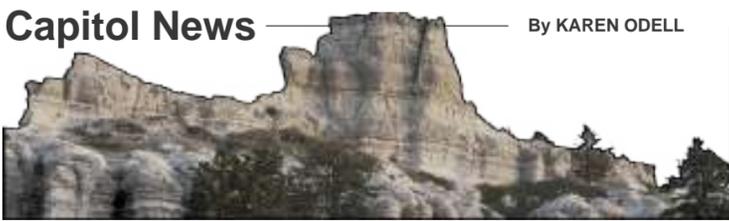
their brandings. Family, friends and neighbors gather more during this spring season than any other in our region. Larry Rhoden has been very busy pounding iron to produce hundreds of branding irons for local ranchers and for Cammack Ranch Supply. Many have begun planting seeds indoors for their gardens and watching them sprout. Spring is personally my favorite time of year. It is the season of expectation and hope.

Bob Barry made a trip to Larry Rhoden's on Monday morning to bring home an unused calf shelter from the pasture. Preparations for the snowfall and storm were well underway. It was interesting to see how two ranchers so easily were able to fetch a calf shelter from the pasture, set up the trailer so it would set on just right and head down the road to be used for calves very likely that night at the Bob & Kyle Barry ranch. It never ceases to amaze me how smart and ingenuitive ranchers need to be to make things happen, and happen within a short period of time. They are certainly Jacks of All Trades. Prayers going up for safety for cattle and all who need to be out in the storms this week.

No matter how much snow we wind up with at the end of the week, the birds will surely not hush their singing. Just as they will continue their singing we will continue to hope in what is to come. May we remember why we celebrate the Easter season. Christ rose from the dead and he still lives. No matter how discouraged we get or how hopeless it seems, we can rely on our creator to care for us just as he does the birds, but even more. We can all take into account of the many blessings we have even during the worst of times. May you enjoy your family, the sunshine and many blessings, but most of all the hope you are gifted with as you celebrate this Easter season this week.

Capitol News

By KAREN ODELL



Karen Odell did a little painting, sorting and household jobs, this week. She arranged another hymn for Palm Sunday, and printed it for the congregation. The weather kept things icy in the mornings, and the house is still surrounded by ice, while the pastures are clearing off. Still winter is predicted for Tuesday, with snow. Easter is headed this way, but the lion of March is hanging around into April.

This week, Dick and Erma Albert made a trip to Belle Fourche, on Monday. Dick got a haircut, while Erma had a check-up at the dentist's. Erma had a chiropractor's appointment, on Wednesday, in Buffalo. Then, on Friday, they both went to the Senior Center for the Friday dinner. There was chicken and noodles for some, and fish for those on a diet for Lent. On Sunday, they went to church at the Catholic Church, and joined in a pot luck dinner afterward. Then, they stayed for Bible study in the afternoon. The wind, on Sunday, was like entering a wind tunnel.

Cody Seltling has been out to help Alvin Cordell, for a few days, this week. They pretty much have the well house done, with just a few finishing touches. They are on the tail-end of calving heifers, with just one or two left. The old cows are done, now. Marlee took a dog to the vet in Belle Fourche, on Friday, and stayed over to bring him home, on Saturday. Alvin had supper at the Corner Bar, and watched some ballgames on TV, before coming home. On Tuesday, Alvin had seen the thermometer down to eight degrees. The river has stayed open recently, but one day a calf had fallen through the thin layer of ice.

Diane Wear came out to Ronda Cordell's, to spend a week, helping with calving. The heifers are shelling out babies, but they have begun getting a few from the old cows, even though they are not due until next Wednesday. It seems when calving begins, so does the night breezes that keeps people on their toes. The cameras have been a God-send. They can use their smart phones as the check point. Denise and Abby have the cameras on their TV screen, and Abby has become an expert rancher at the age of four. Ronda uses her iPad. Gene Secrest is staying at Clint and Dinese's to help with feeding

and calving. Diane and Ronda have been checking cows on the cameras, even though they both also entertained the Covid bug, last week. It has been a good place to hang-out with the cows. Ronda just had a fever that went up and down; with no headache, congestion or sore throat. Diane went back to Ekalaka, on Monday. They are both recovering well, and now, are waiting for the upcoming bad weather.

Bruce and Lynn Gustafson went to the Hills, on Friday. They had a gift card, so they went to the Stadium for lunch. They went to church at Little Missouri, on Sunday. They survived the terrible wind, that day, and thought about keeping rocks in their pockets to hold themselves down, but Karen Odell thought you might have to run the rocks down, first, to catch them.

Doug and Julia Davis had a week of normal work and rest. The weather is blamed for some of Julia's arthritis, and the weather deserves to be blamed, after the many tornadoes and snow storms across the country. The weather predictions for Tuesday, may bring more snow and the amount seems to differ with each report.

Junior and Shirley Melum made a trip to the Hills, on Thursday. They had a business appointment, and did some shopping. After getting home and putting things away, Shirley needed a day to rest up. Going to town can wear a person out. They had a check-up at the doctor's office, and things seemed to be good.

Ernie, Rachel and Tommy are now busy with calving the cows. They are already nearly half done with the calving. On Sunday, Rachel and Tommy went to Baker for church, and they stayed in the afternoon so that Tommy could join in with the Youth Group meeting. It was great to have Youth Group in the afternoon so that he could attend, and not have to drive back such a long distance.

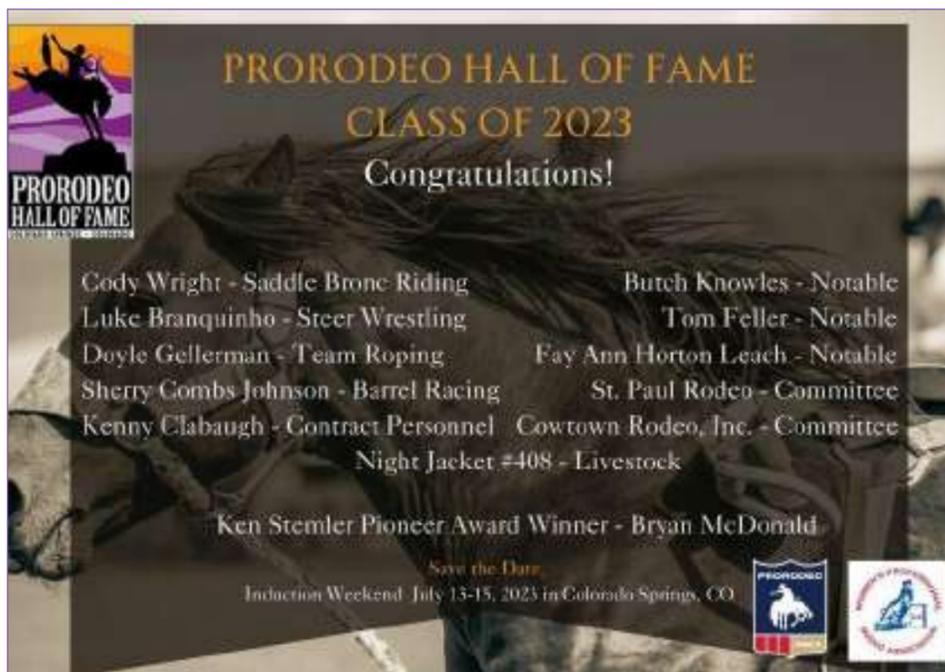
Charlie Odell met the garbage man, on Thursday, in Camp Crook. On Saturday, he made a trip to the Hills for dog food, cat food and people food. He had planned to go to town next Tuesday, but the weatherman changed those plans, so he went on a Saturday. On Palm Sunday, Charlie and Karen went to church at the Methodist Church in Camp Crook. She played for

the hymns, and then they ate lunch at the Corner Bar with Pete Anderson. The wind was blowing the Forest Service flag straight east, so they headed straight into the strong wind to get home. The wind seldom comes from straight west in this part of the country.

Here is some more Capitol history. The first Little Missouri bridge at Capitol was built in 1905, in a bend of the river. It was washed away, soon after that, in an ice jam. Another new bridge was built on the curve of the river, and that, too, was washed away. In 1925, a new location was selected on a straight section of the river. This time the steel girder bridge lasted. It was a one-way bridge. In 2003, the old metal bridge was replaced with a new concrete two lane bridge. Electric power came to Capitol in the 1920's, but the rural ranches around Capitol did not get electric power until 1953.

Have you ever wondered why the news is plural? With all the crap that is going on, I would, sometimes, just like to hear a newscaster give one new.

PRCA Hall of Fame Class of 2023



COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (March 27) – Steer wrestler Luke Branquinho, a five-time PRCA World Champion, heads up a star-studded 2023 induction class for the ProRodeo Hall of Fame.

Branquinho is joined by two-time PRCA World Champion Saddle Bronc rider Cody Wright (2008 and 2010), World Champion Team Roper Doyle Gellerman (1981), pickup man Kenny Clabaugh, rodeo notables Butch Knowles and Tom Feller and standout bareback horse Night Jacket, rodeo com-

mittees from the St. Paul (Ore.) Rodeo and Cowtown Rodeo in Pilesgrove, N.J., and barrel racer Sherry (Combs) Johnson, the 1962 WPRA World Champion and WPRA notable Fay Ann Horton Leach.

The 2023 Ken Stemler Pioneer Award, which recognizes those who have provided groundbreaking, innovative ideas and forward thinking that help the development, advancement, and success of the PRCA and or the Hall of Fame and their missions is being awarded to Bryan McDonald, former

bull rider, and National Finals Rodeo judge. His foresight on day money and work with PROCOM have set the industry apart.

This also was a special honor for the St. Paul Rodeo.

"This is fabulous," said Kevin Smith, a member of the St. Paul Rodeo committee. "A small town with some serious roots is a good place for rodeo and we have been one of those. Half of our board is grandsons and great grandsons of our rodeo in 1936. This is just a great honor for us to receive."

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“Building Main Street, not Wall Street” by John Newby

What will be the Impact of AI on Rural Communities?

The hot topic of the day seems to “Artificial Intelligence” or “AI” for short. More specifically “ChatGPT”. When it comes to this topic, I am reminded of a quote by Thomas Jefferson, when he said, “I’m a great believer in luck, and I find the harder I work the more I have of it”.



for luck, Guy Tasaka, a good friend of mine, and co-founder of MediaFlowAI, recently said when discussing AI, “You can be on the train, or under the train”.

The impact of AI on smaller communities will depend on various factors such as the availability of resources, infrastructure, and the community’s readiness to adopt new technologies.

However, there are several potential positive and negative impacts that AI could have on smaller communities. Here are just a few.

On the positive side, AI will allow for much improved access to healthcare. AI can help diagnose diseases more accurately and quickly, especially in areas where there is a shortage of healthcare professionals. AI will lead to increased efficiency in agriculture, it will help farmers optimize crop yields, reduce waste, and increase profits. AI can lead to a much better education, it can help create personalized learning experiences for students, regardless of their location or socioeconomic status. AI can lead to more job creation, it could potentially create new job opportunities in fields such as data analysis, software development, and robotics.

On the negative side of the equation, like many things, it can be a two-edged sword. While AI can create jobs as we mentioned above, it can also

potentially automate certain types of jobs, thus leading to job loss in certain industries. AI can widen inequality, this because smaller communities may not have access to the same resources and infrastructure needed to fully adopt AI, potentially leading to a wider digital divide. AI can intrude on one’s privacy, it requires vast amounts of data to operate effectively, and this data could potentially be used for purposes that do not align with community values. AI can create a dependence on technology. When we have an over-reliance on AI, it can potentially lead to a loss of critical thinking skills and decision-making abilities.

Overall, as one might expect, the impact of AI on smaller communities will depend on how it is understood, implemented, and integrated into the community. It is important that communities carefully consider the potential benefits and risks before they select which aspects

of AI to adopt or embrace. This allows them to adopt AI where it makes sense, thus ensuring the potential benefits outweigh the potential risks.

Lastly, understand that fear of something tends to paralyze. We can’t afford to fear AI, there are far too many positive aspects to AI. It is important that in lieu of ignoring or fearing AI, we strive to understand the many values and positive uses that can be derived from it. Ignoring or fearing AI simple places us under the train. Learning to understand, utilize and even embrace it assures we have the right tools to succeed.

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A school land lease auction will be held at the Butte County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room (main floor), Belle Fourche, SD on April 24, 2023 at 10.00AM (MT).

A list of tracts available for lease may be obtained at the Butte County Auditor’s Office or by contacting the Office of School & Public Lands, 500 E Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD, 57501-5070 at (605) 773-3303. You may also visit the SPL website www.sdpubliclands.sd.gov. Phone bidding will be allowed on a recorded conference line at 1-848-777-1212 with access code of 18892020# Disabled individuals needing assistance should contact the Office of School and Public Lands at least 48 hours in advance of the auction to make any necessary arrangements.

From B1 School Board

best interest at heart and help mold them into being the best that they can be.

Candidate 2 Wayne Gilbert

City of Residence: Belle Fourche

Brief Bio: I was born and raised in Belle Fourche, and graduated from Belle Fourche High School in 1967. After college at Black Hills State University and the University of South Dakota I worked in the legal field in Rapid City, Spearfish, and Belle Fourche for forty years before retiring. My wife Kristi Thielen and I have three adult children. I am proud that my family was educated in public schools. My principal hobby is historical research and I have prepared and presented several topics of local and regional history.

I served one term on the Belle Fourche School Board before health issues at the time caused me to decide not to seek reelection. Those health issues are now resolved and I am fully capable of and fully committed to serving on the board. I have extensive experience in serving on non-profit institutions, including religious, arts, historical, and wildlife organizations. I worked as a substitute teacher in the Spearfish School system during the time that I was on the Belle Fourche School Board.

Question: Why have you chosen to run for the Belle Fourche school board?

I believe I can make a substantial contribution to Belle Fourche’s educational environment because of my experience in the private sector of non-profit organizations and the legal field. I have a strong interest in education and in assisting Belle Fourche families and youth in taking advantage of the educational opportunities afforded by our school system.

Question: What do you feel are the most important issues that need to be addressed regarding our children’s education in the community?

First, I want to say that I was very gratified by the response of Superintendent Willard, the school administrators, and the IT administrator to the recent incident regarding the unfortunate availability of inappropriate websites on school computers. This incident shows the positive results which occur when parents and school officials work together to address and solve a problem.

One issue which frequently recurred as I discussed my candidacy with other citizens is the issue of bullying in our schools. I would like to see a thorough review of policies and procedures regarding bullying. I have studied District policies regarding bullying, as well as the policies of other districts and South Dakota State Law on the issue, and I do feel that a review would be helpful. Every single student should feel welcome and comfortable in

our school system, and I want to make sure that happens.

Belle Fourche, like most school districts, has ongoing infrastructure issues. I think that the District has been and is working hard to address those issues in a fiscally responsible manner, and I want to make sure that those efforts continue.

Question: The district’s long-range planning includes some facility upgrades. What areas do you feel need the most attention?

Recent years have shown a need to address HVAC issues in some of our buildings. Making sure that our students have a safe and healthy environment for learning is a top priority. If I am elected to the School Board I would work with the administrators and other board members to address specific issues as well as long term planning.

Question: When the district declares the need for virtual learning days (formerly “snow” days) how should the issue of support staff pay be resolved? For example - should they receive pay as a normal day even though they did not work; be given an option to make up for lost time/pay during Fridays; be given an extra paid day off; or other?

In January of this year the Board addressed the situation which existed because of three snow days which occurred in December. After extensive discussion the Board decided to pay hourly employees for those three days. I believe that such situations should be addressed on a case-by-case basis, with due regard for the fact that employee compensation is a budgeted item as well as fiscal responsibility.

Question: Should Critical Race Theory curriculum be taught in the district? What about gender fluidity books/curriculum in our elementary school? Allowed or not allowed?

In an Executive Order issued in April of 2022 Governor Noem ordered the South Dakota Department of Education to prohibit directing or compelling students, teachers and school employees from “personally affirm[ing], adopt[ing], or adher[ing] to inherently divisive concepts.” This Executive Order probably puts the matter to rest, although it should be noted that a critical race theory curriculum has not existed in South Dakota public schools and has not been seriously proposed by any entity or group.

It should be noted that Belle Fourche’s current policy requires the District to “provide specific moral instruction intended to impress upon the minds of students the importance of truthfulness, temperance, purity, sexual abstinence, public spirit, patriotism, respect for honest labor, obedience to parents, respect for the contributions of minority and ethnic groups to the heritage of South Dakota, and due deference to old age.”

Question: Should trans-gender boys be allowed to compete in girls’ sports? Vice versa? And should a trans-student be allowed to use the restroom / locker room of the opposite gender to which they were born as is allowed in several school districts?

The issue of trans-gender sports participation has been foreclosed by South Dakota law. In 2022, the legislature passed what is codified as SDCL Section 13-67-1 which requires that only female students as designated on their birth certificates may be allowed to participate in female sports. Local school boards have no authority to go against state law. As far as restrooms and locker rooms are concerned, there is no reporting of this being a problem. I believe that every student is entitled to his or her privacy, and also that every student is entitled to be treated with dignity and respect. A policy which either mandates or prohibits bathroom and locker room usage one way or the other has not been shown to be necessary to the functioning of education. I do not agree with addressing a perceived problem which has not been shown to exist.

Question: How important are involved parents / guardians in preparing a student to receive an education? Or is this primarily the role of the schools?

The role parents and guardians in preparing students to receive an education is essential. Beyond preparation, continuing involvement of parents and guardians in the education process is also essential. The role of the school board is to assist and support teachers and administrators in providing an atmosphere for responsible family involvement in the education of their children.

Candidate 3 Faye LaDuke-Pelster

City of Residence: Belle Fourche, SD

Short bio: My husband Chad and I have lived in Belle Fourche for 17 years. We have two children. Syd is a freshman at Belle Fourche High School and Cade is a 5th grader at Belle Fourche Middle School. Chad is an Agriculture Loan Officer at First Interstate Bank. For the past 17 years, I have worked at Black Hills State University in the School of Education. I teach Reading Methods to undergraduate pre-service teachers majoring in Elementary Education and K-12 Special Education. I also teach graduate courses for students pursuing a master’s degree in Reading. In addition to the courses I teach, I am the Department Chair in the School of Education. Prior to working

at BHSU, I was an elementary teacher and a K-12 Literacy Coach in the Todd County School District in Mission, SD. I have a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from the University of Wyoming, a Master of Education in Reading from West Texas A&M University and a Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of South Dakota.

In our spare time, Chad and I really enjoy traveling to games, track meets and rodeos to watch our kids compete.

Question: Why have you chosen to run for the Belle Fourche school board?

As a parent of two children attending school in the district, I care about and am very invested in the education they receive. I’ve been very involved in the district in several capacities. I’ve served as a parent volunteer, supervised BHSU student teachers placed in the district, and taught several literacy professional development courses for Belle Fourche teachers. In addition, I’ve taught literacy demonstration lessons in almost every elementary classroom and some middle school Language Arts classes. I’ve chosen to run for the school board because I want to continue to contribute to and be involved in the district. With over 20 years of experience in education, I can make meaningful contributions as a school board member.

Question: What do you feel are the most important issues that need to be addressed regarding our children’s education in the community?

A great teacher is the best resource we can give our children. Retaining and recruiting highly qualified, competent teachers is a priority for the Belle Fourche School District and needs to remain a priority going forward.

Effective use and integration of technology is and should continue to be assessed on a regular basis. It’s unrealistic to think that we can educate today’s students without the use of technology. We would be doing our students a disservice if we didn’t expose them to various forms of technology. It’s also important to consider a balanced approach to the use and integration of technology. Balancing the use of technology with more traditional tools for teaching and learning is effective. Internet safety is critical to ensure our students are using technology as a learning tool. The Go Guardian app purchased by the district is a valuable tool parents can use to monitor students’ online activity and is evidence of the district’s commitment to students’ online safety.

Question: The district’s

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long-range planning includes some facility upgrades. What areas do you feel need the most attention?

The physical environment of our schools is important. It’s my understanding that the district’s long-term plan includes action steps for upgrading and maintaining the physical facilities. As a board member, I will rely on the individuals with expertise in facilities to inform the board of the plan and follow through with the action items included. For example, air conditioning the high school has been an important topic for the past several years. This is an item included in the district’s long-term plan and several steps have been taken to make this happen. It’s difficult for teachers to teach and students to learn in classrooms that aren’t comfortable.

Question: When the district declares the need for virtual learning days (formerly “snow” days) how should the issue of support staff pay be resolved? For example - should they receive pay as a normal day even though they did not work; be given an option to make up for lost time/pay during Fridays; be given an extra paid day off; or other?

School districts across the country are experiencing a severe shortage of support staff. Belle Fourche School District is no exception. Support staff play a very important role in the education of our children and should be paid accordingly, including being paid on virtual learning days.

Question: Should Critical Race Theory curriculum be taught in the district? What about gender fluidity books/curriculum in our elementary school? Allowed or not allowed?

Critical race theory (CRT) is an academic concept that is more than 40 years old that emerged out of a framework for legal analysis. The core idea of CRT is that race is a social construct, and that racism isn’t just a product of individual prejudice, but something embedded in legal systems and policies. There is an abundance of misinformation and misunderstanding about CRT and K-12 education. Contrary to what some social media and news outlets portray, teachers aren’t standing in front of students teaching CRT. Teachers are trained to teach developmentally appropriate content aligned with standards. They are trained to use various effective methods to deliver instruction. They are trained to make decisions about what to teach and how to teach it using district adopted and district approved curricula just as the librarians in the district are trained to make decisions about

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124 years ago
THE TIMES
April 10, 1897
John Pierce Returns
John Pierce, the well known promoter, returned today from New York City; accompanied by William Lees, a capitalist from Manchester, England. The two gentlemen arrived on the Elkhorn and were at Deadwood by Messrs. McAllen, Moody, Halloran and Wilson. They immediately drove to this city and will remain for several days. Mr. Lees comes to the Black Hills for the purpose of investigating the Lardner property, which is situated north of the Homestake. If the investigation proves satisfactory to Mr. Lees it is his intention to invest in the property. Mr. Pierce and Mr. Lees have been interest together for fifteen years in different investments and the latter gentleman has, besides the energy and progressiveness which is characteristic of John Pierce, unlimited means. Mr. Pierce says that the big mining deal in which a great number of mine owners in Lead are interested, is in very good shape. Mr. Lees comes to the Black Hills on an entirely different proposition. This is the mining deal that interests Belle Fourche. Mr. Pierce has stated since his return that the original idea of locating the mills at Belle Fourche will be carried out. There seems to be nothing in the way of an early termination of the deal and everything will be clear for commencement of work at this place. Mr. Lees, the English capitalist, is in the Hills on an entirely different proposition, and expresses himself most favorably of investing. In case he does, another chapter will be added to the mining developments of the Hills. Mr. Pierce has done more to interest capital in the Black Hills during the past six months than any other man has accomplished in several years. It is still thought everything will be in shape to begin active work at this place in June.

100 years ago
April 5, 1923
The Belle Fourche Bee
SUBSTITUTE FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS: British Statesman Wants Closer Relations Between U.S. and War-Time Allies
New York, April 2 - Lord Robert Cecil, British statesman and exponent of the League of Nations, who is making a visit to the United States to advocate a closer relationship between this country and the nations with which it was allied in the world war, will call on ex-Pres-

ident Woodrow Wilson next week to discuss the situation. It has become known that Lord Cecil has little hope of the United States entering the League of Nations formed under terms of the treaty of Versailles, and will ask of Mr. Wilson, who represented the United States in the making of the treaty which the senate rejected whether it is not possible to substitute for the present league some form of international organization, which the United States would enter. He stated that he would carry to the ex-president a favorable report of the accomplishments of the League. Lord Cecil in an address here last night to the Foreign Policy Association, discussing the occupation of the Ruhr district by France, declared that fear and suspicion are the twin demons which have possessed the work since the great war; and that they can be exercised only by some kind of all out efforts to adjust international differences.

75 years ago
The Belle Fourche Bee
April 3, 1947
ROUND-UP MAKES CONTRACT FOR '47 STREET FEATURES Hills Greater Shows Provide Uptown Attractions - Midway Is On Railroad Street
Manager J. F. Koller announces that the concession committee, headed by R. A. Smiley as chairman, has made the necessary contract arrangements with the Hills Greater Shows from Texas, to furnish the uptown carnival attractions at this year's Black Hills Round-Up, July 3, 4 and 5, 1947. Midway will be located along Railroad street, thus leaving State street open to traffic during the three day of Round-Up. Chairman Smiley states that this will be the first appearance of Hills Greater Shows in Belle Fourche, and that this carnival group come very highly recommended. This is the first time that this assemblage of carnival attractions and concessions has come north of Iowa. It features some fourteen rides, ten shows and forty other attractions.

J.C. PENNEY STORE INSTALLS CASH DELIVERY SYSTEM
Presto, there goes your cash, and presto, here comes back the change. That is the general description of the modern pneumatic tube cash delivery system equipment just installed in J. C. Penney store in Belle Fourche. Here is a descriptive substance of the new equipment as gleaned from an explanatory interview with Manager E. E. Edmondson. Metal air

50 years ago
The Belle Fourche Bee
April 6, 1973
100 Gallon-Well Assures Belle Country Club of Summer Greens
An increase of 100 gallons per minute in the output of their well will permit the Belle Fourche Country Club to maintain a green golf course this year. Buck Kling, president of the Country Club board of directors, said this week that the increase in water supply has been brought about through the efforts of Merle Bandy, local well driller, who has just finished drilling and casing the well at the Country Club. The well now has a free flow of 160 gallons per minute, which will be enough to pump 8 to 12 hours daily, or 220,000 gallons of water to irrigate the 18 acres of the golf course. Meanwhile, Kling pointed out that the club house in now under new management with Dick Warren of Belle Fourche in charge. The club is open 4 to 10 pm daily, with food service now available, except Monday, at the "10th Hole," the newly redecorated dining room at the club. A Kick-off dinner for the 1973 season is planned for April 14 to celebrate the improvements at the club. Mr. and Mrs. John Pierson, chairman of the social committee, are in charge of arrangements for the dinner. On April 16, the first bridge luncheon of the year will be held, according to Mrs. Pete Shear, bridge chairman. Mrs. Glenn Norman, ladies' president, has also announced that a meeting of all women golfers will be held soon to plan golf activities for women and youth. Cal Geis, men's league chair-



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Somehow this ad from 100 years ago this week seems appropriate today. This is a 1923 Brown's Drug Store ad about preserving eggs.

man, says that 14 men's teams will be starting league play the first week of May. Meanwhile, Membership Chairman Mahlon Alden has announced that members may pay their 1973 dues to him. Anyone interested in joining the club may contact Alden.

Chamber Talks Pros, Cons of New Industry
"We're interested in new industry, but we think we should be selective about the type and size of industry." That was the feeling that appeared to develop out of the discussion on Tuesday at the luncheon meeting of the Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce. Duane Wilcox, who served as moderator for the discussion on new industry, pointed out that he receives an average of a call once each week from IDEA requesting a certain type of information about Belle Fourche. Not all of the information they request is available. Some of it would require further research, but all of it is the type of information which firms request when they are searching for a new location. It was also pointed out that a large amount of information concerning funding aid is available to representa-

tives of community development corporations is almost a necessity if such studies are to be pursued. The group talked about former industrial development efforts here and current studies under way - plant feasibility study which has been funded the alfalfa plant which has been discussed and is to be studied further, the old wool scouring plant proposal which was investigated at length here several years ago. It was also pointed out that a Belle Fourche Development Corporation was organized here at one time, but eventually was put on the shelf. The conversation indicated many felt the community would be better off with a small industry, rather than a large installation employing 200 or 300 people and which might seriously disrupt the economy if it should decide to move on. Such matters as environmental impact were also points of consideration brought up at the meeting. Not specific decision were made as the result of the discussion, but the matter was to be taken up at the directors meeting last night to see if the matter of a development corporation should be pursued further.

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From B5 School Board about the books that are included in our school libraries. Educators need to be recognized for their education, experience, and knowledge to make decisions that are in the best interest of our students.

Question: Should transgender boys be allowed to compete in girls' sports? Vice versa? And should a trans-student be allowed to use the restroom /locker room of the opposite gender to which they were born as is allowed in several school

districts? South Dakota law prevents transgender students from competing in a sport that is different from the student's birth assigned gender.

Question: How important are involved parents / guardians in preparing a student to receive an education? Or is this primarily the role of the schools? Parents play a very important role in preparing a student to receive an education. Parental involvement has been shown to enhance academic perfor-

mance and positively influences student attitude and behavior. When parents are involved, students are more motivated to learn, have better attendance records and perform well on homework and tests.

Editor's note: We wish to thank all the candidates for their diligence with regard to the questionnaire and their well-reasoned responses. Thank you. And we would encourage the citizens to vote on Tuesday, April 11.

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ACROSS: 1. Red in color; 4. New York city; 8. Down with it; 2 words; 12. Where it's 1; 13. Wine; 14. Cream Gr.; playwright; 15. Compass; direction; 16. King of Hawaii; 17. Apple; 18. Ice cream; 20. Legal title; 22. Salt; 25. Must-had; 28. Ruler; (person); 31. Country; 33. Hawaiian; (fruit); 34. Soft drink; 35. Move; 36. Back; 37. R. (last); column.

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| | 2 Baked Ham Pineapple Rings Sweet Potatoes Cauliflower No Bake Cookie | 3 Cream of Turkey & Wild Rice Soup Glazed Carrots Spinach Salad Artisan Bread Apple Sauce | 4 Lasagna Veggie Gratin Garden Salad Garlic Bread Pears | 5 Creamy Garlic & Mushroom Chicken Parsiled Dumplings Veggie Medley Plums Spice Cake | 6 Pork Cutlets Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fruity Jello | 7 Chicken Salad OR Shrimp Salad on Leafy Greens and Croissant Tomato Soup Grapes, Pudding | 8 Ruben "Sandwich" Casserole Potato Wedges Roasted Brussel Sprouts, Peaches |
| | 9 Orange Glazed Pork Loin Roasted Reds Asparagus in Bacon Cranberry Sauce Dinner Roll Easter Dessert | 10 Deluxe Bacon Cheese Burger Potato Salad Baked Beans, Melon | 11 Chicken Enchiladas Mexican Rice Leafy Greens, Ice Cream | 12 Meatloaf Cheesy Potatoes Creamed Spinach Mixed Fruit | 13 Pork Roast/Gravy Roasted Potatoes and Carrots Cinnamon Apples | 14 Beef Barley Soup Veggie & Cheese Sandwich Fruit Cocktail Peach Cobbler | 15 Breaded Fish Mac and Cheese Peas & Carrots Apple Sauce Rice Krispy Treat |
| | 16 Roasted Turkey Dressing/Gravy Broccoli Tropical Fruit | 17 Hawaiian Chicken Coconut Lime Rice Roasted Peppers Grilled Pineapple Peanut Butter Kiss | 18 Roast Beef/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Dinner Roll Pears | 19 Pulled Pork Sandwich Pasta Salad Zucchini Fries, Peaches Rootbeer Floats | 20 Swedish Meatballs Egg Noodles Peas & Carrots Watergate Salad w/Pineapple | 21 Loaded Baked Potato & Salad Bar, Mandrine Oranges Lemon Blueberry Muffin | 22 Deluxe Chicken Patty Sandwich Broccoli/Cheese Soup, Melon |
| | 23 Tuna Casserole Mixed Veggies Garden Salad Mixed Fruit | 24 Baked Chicken Baked Potato Zucchini Au Gratin Pears Oatmeal Cookie | 25 Indian Tacos Corn Salad Refried Beans Tropical Fruit Snickerdoodle | 26 Pork Chops Wild Rice, Brussel Sprouts in Cream Sauce, Fruity Jello | 27 Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Peaches | 28 Turkey Noodle Soup, Garden Sallad, Biscuit Apple Sauce Yellow Cake | 29 Sweet & Sour Peas Fried Rice Egg Roll Mandrine Oranges Fortune Cookie |
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| MAY CALVERS | HD | WT | BID |
| Dennis Denson, Ashland MT | 15 | 1174 | 1925.00 |
| FEEDER CATTLE | HD | WT | BID |
| Ron Raber, Belle Fourche SD | 18 | 599 | 211.00 |
| | 5 | 390 | 240.00 |
| | 15 | 553 | 201.00 |
| | 5 | 416 | 210.00 |
| COWS | HD | WT | BID |
| Dennis Denson, Ashland MT | 8 | 1089 | 165.00 |
| Hamilton Inc, Osage WY | 4 | 1076 | 160.00 |
| Francois Barnaud, Nisland SD | 1 | 995 | 163.00 |
| Bruce Bruch, Sturgis SD | 2 | 1108 | 163.00 |
| Allen Olson, Box Elder SD | 1 | 1080 | 166.00 |
| Jade Blackwell, Box Elder SD | 1 | 815 | 169.50 |
| Allen Olson, Box Elder SD | 1 | 840 | 157.00 |
| Gladson Family, Gillette WY | 1 | 1285 | 106.00 |
| | 1 | 1275 | 112.50 |
| Ron Raber, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | 1505 | 90.50 |
| Terry Mpherson, Piedmont SD | 1 | 1355 | 104.00 |
| | 1 | 1545 | 90.50 |
| | 1 | 1530 | 89.50 |
| Kim Coe, Vale SD | 1 | 1350 | 101.00 |
| | 1 | 1520 | 93.50 |
| Charles Verhulst, Reva SD | 1 | 1355 | 99.00 |
| | 1 | 1710 | 91.00 |
| | 1 | 1285 | 89.50 |
| | 1 | 1430 | 87.50 |
| Doyle Dejong, Box Elder SD | 1 | 1185 | 109.00 |
| Bruce Bruch, Sturgis SD | 1 | 1235 | 104.00 |
| | 2 | 1508 | 93.00 |
| Kelsie Dejong, Black Hawk SD | 1 | 1415 | 91.50 |
| Sandy Hanson, Vale SD | 1 | 1345 | 98.00 |
| | 1 | 1410 | 89.00 |
| JD Schlosser, Hulett WY | 1 | 1530 | 92.50 |
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| Snook Land, Sundance WY | 1 | 1550 | 91.00 |
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| Ron Swan, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | 1380 | 91.50 |
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| | 1 | Black-Cowette | 1200 | 112.00 | 1,344.00 \$ |
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| | 1 | Black-Cow | 1610 | 95.50 | 1,537.55 \$ |
| | 1 | Black-Cow | 1400 | 89.50 | 1,253.00 \$ |
| | 1 | Black-Cowette | 1240 | 105.00 | 1,302.00 \$ |
| | 1 | Bwf-Cow | 1420 | 92.50 | 1,313.50 \$ |
| Dave Moline, Aladdin WY | 1 | Bwf-Cow | 1440 | 92.50 | 1,332.00 \$ |
| Ron Raber, Belle Fourche SD | 1 | Black-Cow | 1480 | 94.50 | 1,398.60 \$ |
| | 1 | Bwf-Cow | 1465 | 90.50 | 1,325.82 \$ |
| BULLS | HD | WT | BID | \$/HD | |
| T C Outfit Lp, Vale SD | 1 | Black-Bull | 2210 | 113.00 | 2,497.30 \$ |
| | 1 | Black-Bull | 1960 | 114.00 | 2,234.40 \$ |
| X Heart Ranch, Aladdin WY | 1 | Black-Bull | 1930 | 105.50 | 2,036.15 \$ |
| Dennis Denson, Ashland MT | 4 | Black-Bull | 1888 | 115.50 | 2,180.06 \$ |
| Chad Nelson, Bowman ND | 1 | Black-Bull | 2000 | 121.00 | 2,420.00 \$ |
| | 1 | Black-Bull | 2230 | 104.50 | 2,330.35 \$ |
| Todd Stearns, Bowman ND | 1 | Black-Bull | 2080 | 106.50 | 2,215.20 \$ |
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| Schellendorf Ranch-WY 70 hereford hfrs 650# PC, NI, BV, poured | | |

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Stetson Wright Takes Rodeo Austin Title

AUSTIN, Texas - During his ProRodeo career, Stetson Wright has made things look easy.

At the tender age of 23 he has already won seven PRCA World Championships - four in all-around (2019-22), two in bull riding (2020 and 2022) and one in saddle bronc riding in 2021.

The Milford, Utah, star had his magic on display Saturday night at Rodeo Austin, winning the finals in saddle bronc riding with a 90-point ride on Andrews Rodeo's Brutus before a sellout crowd of 6,500 at the Travis County Expo Center.

"I placed on Brutus at the NFR in 2021, but every time before that horse had bucked me off pretty hard," said Wright, who was second on Brutus in Round 3 of the 2021 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo with an 89.5-point trip. "The ride was wild (Saturday night). That horse is super strong and shoots ahead and hits your chin almost every jump. You just have to keep moving your feet or else you will buck off."

Wright collected \$9,870 for his finals winning ride and came into the night second in the saddle bronc riding in the PRCA | RAM World Standings with \$72,309. He left Austin after earning \$17,839 in just saddle bronc riding.

Wright was the last rider out in the eight-man finals and was trying to break a logjam as Wyatt Casper, Tanner Butner, Q Taylor, and Zeke Thurston were all tied atop the leaderboard with 88-point rides.

"There was a lot going through my mind, especially because those guys all had such good rides," Wright said. "But I knew that Sammy (Andrews) brought me a horse that I could

WPRA Barrel Racing April 3, 2023

Buffalo, SD barrel racer Jessica Routier stands in 8th place with \$31,866 in earnings. Lisa Lockhart of Oelrichs is next in 9th place with \$31,680.

win on. I just knew if I did my job, I could be first."

In Wright's rookie year in 2019, he won the saddle bronc riding title at Rodeo Austin, and he was the bull riding champ in Austin in 2022. He made it a hat trick of titles in 2023 at the Playoff Series Rodeo.

"This rodeo has been pretty dang good to me," Wright said. "This year has been nothing short of spectacular for me. I have had some injuries to battle through, but when you're doing good it is hard to think about all the negatives."

Entering Saturday, Wright was atop the all-around standings with \$118,272 and fourth in the bull riding with \$62,588. Wright acknowledged he has been fighting through a left ankle injury that he suffered Feb. 10, while riding a bull at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo.

"It has been an ongoing battle," Wright said.

Other winners at Rodeo Austin were bareback rider Keenan Hayes (86.5 points on Beutler & Son Rodeo's Black Kat) steer wrestler Stan Branco (3.2 seconds); team ropers Jeff Flenniken/Tyler Worley (5.2 seconds); tie-down roper Hunter Herrin (7.1 seconds); breakaway roper Sawyer Gilbert (2.2 seconds); barrel racer Amanda Welsh (14.88 seconds); and bull rider Jace Trosclair (87.5 points on



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School Board

Newell School Board Candidates

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There are three candidates, Dustin Braun, Dean Johnson, and Todd Youngberg, running to fill two positions on the Newell School Board. A questionnaire was sent to each candidate to answer. The School Board election is April 11 in Newell at the City Hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Candidate Todd Youngberg did not answer the email. The following are their answers:

1. Why are you running for School Board?

Dustin Braun:

I'm running to make a positive difference in the school. As a father of three, and a long-time community member, I wanted to get involved and help the school district to the best of my abilities.

Dean Johnson:

I believe I can bring accountability to the community and board knowledge to the school board. I own and operate two businesses in the community and have invested long term into our community and school.

2. Is there a particular issue that motivates you to serve on the board?

Dustin Braun:

There is not a particular issue that motivates me. I've been on the board for two years now. We have a lot of projects that we are working on to better the district. I would like to see those projects through, and be a part of them.

Dean Johnson:

It's no secret that I brought a bill to our state government to change the state law in regards to registered sex offenders being in our schools. It's our job as parents and community members to be engaged in our student's education and to keep our schools a safe learning and teaching environment.

3. What differentiates you from the other candidates?

Dustin Braun:

I'm not sure how to answer this, I'm not going to try and run anybody down. I've always tried to approach the issues unbiased and listen to all the discussion before making a decision. Always be open minded about other ideas and methods on how to resolve the issue.

Dean Johnson:

I have served on a number of large national boards and committees with years of knowledge and experience.

4. What do you think are attributes and behaviors that are essential for school board members?

Dustin Braun:

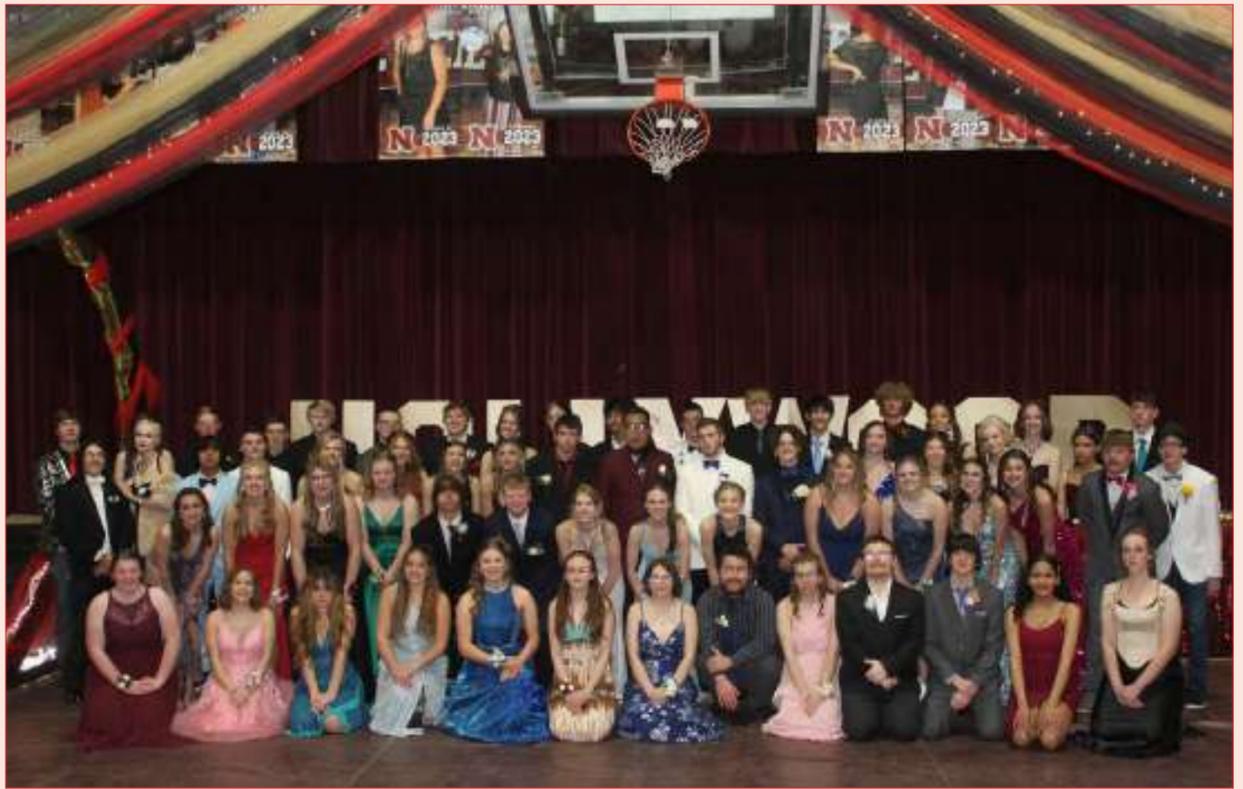
Being practical and realistic.

Dean Johnson:

First is to listen to all sides

Candidates C2

It was a Night to Remember



Newell prom-goers lined up in their finest for a group picture before family and friends were allowed in the gym. More photos and story on C4. - Brunner photo

Testing Their Metal

Colleen Brunner

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NEWELL – "I have always enjoyed welding and knew that's what I wanted to do," said Rex Wulf, of the business he and his wife Morgan run. "After having kids, I knew that I wanted to be able to spend more time with them and have more flexibility to do so. Once we were in a -position to be able to jump into this business, we went all in."

The business is Wulf's Metalwork and Rustic Design and is located on the Wulf's property just outside Newell on Schmele Road north of Newell. Wulf has lived in Newell all his life and Morgan, who was originally from Sturgis, has lived here since 2004. She is the current president of the Newell Community Club.

"Our operation is welding, whether it be fencing, corrals, wind breaks, or creating items such as horseshoe wreaths, kids panels and corrals, signs and other home décor," said Wulf. "We can make a wide array of items."

Wulf said their business or family-oriented. He does all the creating, welding and building, while Morgan does the painting and decorating of the items as well as all the bookkeeping.

"Our kiddos like to help when they can and love being a part of it. We are 100 percent a family business and the owners and

operators of the business."

Wulf said he believes their business, which is a unique one, brings new items and services to the table and helps support other small businesses in the community as they purchase much of their supplies from local businesses as possible. He said no two items are exactly the same as they create each piece by hand and in their entirety. Customers give an idea of what they want and then let the Wulfs create the item. "That's always fun," said Wulf. "Another unique aspect of our

business is being able to create memorable items. One example is the horseshoe wreaths that we make. We've made a few of them using ropes of a loved one that has passed on, giving them the opportunity to display the item as well as it becoming a family heirloom." Much of their décor designs and home use items work horseshoes into the design.

In off hours from working the business they spend time on their small ranch with their

Metal C4



Morgan and Rex Wulf display some of their hand-made welded items like this miniature horse corral at a recent vendor fair. - Brunner photo

Churches and Community Plan Easter Services

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NVN Area – Although most people plan to attend at least Easter Sunday service at their church, there is a wealth of options to help celebrate the season. The NVN Community has gathered together for the third year in a row to host a Holy Thursday community dinner and program on Thursday, April 6 at the Newell City Hall. This is a non-denominational event with area community leaders joining in the effort to share some special time with those in the community.

Pork loin roast has been donated and Betty Bruner will smoke them in preparation for the dinner. The Whatever It Takes Coalition will supply drinks, table service and will decorate. They will be in the hall on Wednesday, April 5 to decorate if anyone would like to help with that process.

There will be baked beans, green beans and other side salads and dishes as well as dessert. Area church leaders will participate in the program with the Catholic Church doing an opening prayer and others supplying special music. Derek Anderson, pastor of the Newell Christian Fellowship will administer a communion ceremony. Bruner will also set up a

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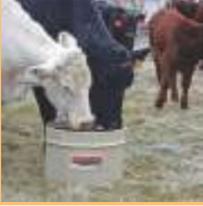
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April 5 - April 13

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Lunch: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Bread Stick, Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY, APR 6
Breakfast: Bagels, Cream Cheese or Peanut Butter, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk
Lunch: Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Soup, Green Beans, Smoothies, Milk

MONDAY, APR 10
No School

TUESDAY, APR 11
Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Fritters, Green Beans, FF, Pears, Milk

WEDNESDAY, APR 12
Dorothy Lynch Day!
Breakfast: Maple Baked French Toast Squares, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk
Lunch: Dorothy Lynch Sloppy Joes, Broccoli, FF, Tropical Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY, APR 13
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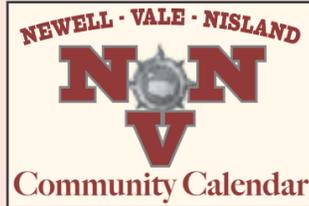
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Nisland Independent will have Good Friday service at the church at 7 p.m. on April 7 and an Easter brunch at 9 a.m. on Sunday with Easter Worship service to follow.
St. Mary's church will have Holy Thursday mass at 5:30 on April 6, Good Friday service at 3 p.m. on the 7th and Easter Sunday mass at 10:30 a.m. The Dakota Life Christian Center will have regular service at 10:30 with special music.

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

Apr. 6: Holy Thursday service and FREE community potluck at city hall. 6:30 p.m. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share. All other food and table service, drinks provided. Call Sabrina at 605-381-9136 or Betty at 605-641-4666 if you would like to help or be part of the program.

Apr. 6: HS Track @ Queen City at Spearfish, 9 a.m.

Apr. 8: Newell Community Club Easter Egg Hunt, Newell school football field. 10 a.m., 0-12 age group.

Apr. 7: Variety of Good Friday services including: Newell Evangelical Church will host a Maundy Thursday service at the church at 7 p.m. on April 6, Good Friday service at 7 p.m. on the 7th and Easter Worship at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 9. They will host their annual Easter Cantata at 7 p.m. on April 9. Other Easter service events include a sunrise service at the home of Dan and Kathy Rhoden 12871 Orman Rd, Newell at 7 a.m. with Easter Brunch to follow at the church on Ash street in Newell. Nisland Independent will have Good Friday service at the church at 7 p.m. on April 7 and an Easter brunch at 9 a.m. on Sunday with Easter Worship service to follow. St. Mary's church will have Holy Thursday mass at 5:30 on April 6, Good Friday service at 3 p.m. on the 7th and Easter Sunday mass at 10:30 a.m. The Dakota Life Christian Center will have regular service at 10:30 with special music.

Apr. 9: Easter Sunday.

Apr. 9: Fire Pit restaurant will sponsor an Easter Egg hunt Extravaganza at 1 p.m. at the restaurant in Nisland. 2nd and Maple.

Apr. 10: Newell school board, 6 p.m. in MPR; Newell city commission, 5 p.m. in city admin offices.

Apr. 13: MS Dance, Student council meeting.

Apr. 15: FREE Cowboy Way community dinner at Nisland Ind. Com. Church, 402 Olin, Nisland 6 p.m. The Wildflowers will be performing county music, poetry and stories. See the NICC Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NislandChurch> for more information. RSVP to 605-645-9976 or email nislandchurch@sdplains.com to attend with contact and # of people.

Apr. 15: HS Track-Center of the Nation-Belle Fourche. 2:30 p.m.

Apr. 18: Newell school math & science fun evening, 5:30-7:30 in MPR. Math & science activities for the whole family. Sanford Labs will have scientists in attendance with special activities. FREE but please RSVP to the school at 605-456-0102.

Apr. 19: Community Superheros Breakfast with Newell students at Newell MPR. 7 - 8 a.m. Contact Sabrina Harmon at 605-381-9136 for more information. If you are with an organization, please extend the invitation to your group as we appreciate all of you for helping our community to be great.

Apr. 19: Free women's car care clinic. SML Point S Tire at 1909 5th Ave. Belle Fourche. Teaches basic car care. Call 605-723-7700 to reserve a spot. Great idea for new, young, female drivers. The company plans to do a new, young, male event later.

Apr. 19: Inspired by Spain: High Plains Restaurant will hold their second food event during the evening (hours TBA) featuring foods from Spain. The event is by reservation only and you must call the restaurant at 605-456-3333 to reserve. Get on the list now as space goes quickly.

Apr. 21: HSTR-Wall, 8:00 a.m.; HS Golf, 9 a.m. at Philip.

Apr. 22: HS Golf at Wall 9 a.m.; HS Track at Lemmon, 10 a.m.

Apr. 24: Spring concert, 7 p.m.

From C1 Candidates

then evaluate and utilize your resources to make a good decision. Approachability and a good team member are essential.

5. What is a school board member's role and responsibility? How does that role differ from the role of the superintendent or administration?

Dustin Braun:
A school board member's role is to keep the doors open and keep the district pointed in a positive way for the community. Administrators are there to supervise staff and the day to day operations.

Dean Johnson:
A school board oversees the school and represents the best interest of those who live in the district and send their children to public school. The school board makes policies to educate and provide a safe learning and teaching environment as well as giving our community members a voice. This role differs from the superintendent or administration as their role is to oversee the day to day operations of a school district and create and manage budgets, oversee record keeping, and educational programming.

6. What should the school district do to better prepare students as citizens?

Dustin Braun:
To open as many doors as we can for our students. If we aren't doing/providing it, we should be pointing them into the direction to find the answers.

Dean Johnson:
Community involvement is key in preparing our students for adult life. The community has resources we need to utilize to prepare our students for the real world. Job shadowing and financial education are a few ways to increase involvement and prepare our students.

7. What is your vision for education in the NVN community?

Dustin Braun:
To provide a safe place for students to learn, a good meal service, and transportation.

Dean Johnson:
My vision is to maintain and improve the quality of education students will receive and hire and retain quality teachers and support staff. I would like to see our athletic department continue to grow and hire and retain great coaches.

8. What are your areas of concern regarding student achievement in the Newell District?

Dustin Braun:
Attendance, the more kids are not in school the further behind they will fall.

Dean Johnson:
I would like to see more students graduating with their classes and be prepared for adult life. Many students are not registered to vote and don't have plans to either further their education or a plan to work. We hire a few straight out of high school and we need to ensure they are prepared to be a good asset to society and know what that means.

What issues do you believe your district needs to address in its academic programs?

Dean Johnson: I would like to see our math and reading proficiency grow and retain our teachers. I would like to see a positive and healthy culture grow within the school.

What are your thoughts on the current and the proposed budget for the school district?

Dean Johnson: My thoughts on the budget as a whole are to create measurable and attainable goals with research and accountability to make the best decisions we can. Our school district is limited in size due to our rural location thus we have to make every penny count.

Reva Seeks New Fire Hall

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REVA – Reva is an unincorporated community in Harding County, north of Newell where Highway 79 intersects Highway 20. Out in the boondocks as some who live there would term it. In spite of the rural atmosphere, Reva, named for Reva Bonniwell, the daughter of the first settler and the home of the annual Reva Turtle Races, the people who live there thrive. They also volunteer, as is the case of the local Reva Volunteer Fire Department.

The Sorum/Reva Fire Hall was started on April 19, 1948 as a result of the Sorum Gun Club seeking donations for purchasing a new fire truck to be located in the community. As a result of that fundraiser, the community started what has become a very well-equipped Volunteer Fire Department with over 18 brush trucks, a 6x6 water tender, and a 3000 gallon water tender.

“The current condition of

the existing fire hall is good, and we have a fire hall which was built at Sorum back in the early 1950's and that is in need of some repairs,” according to Joshua Kelmpe, the treasure of the department. “We just ran out of room (at the Reva department building). It holds our rescue rig as well as our Number 2 unit which holds 1500 gallons of water.”

Kelmpe said the department has looked at replacing that unit, however with the current size of the building and the height of the overhead doors he said they simply cannot upgrade the fire unit.

“We are just need to build one that can accommodate multiple brush trucks and our 3000 gallon tender so we can be ready to answer any fire calls year round.”

Recently the department hooked up with KBHB Radio Station in Sturgis who offered them a radiothon. “It came out of the wild blue,” said Kelmpe. “One of our members reached out to Grant Simons and that

got the whole ball rolling. They reached out to Dean Kinny and they offered up their services 100 percent. We are beyond grateful for their support and help.”

The department is hoping to raise around \$100,000 so they can build a 40 x 64 building and have the floor, electrical, and heat all completed by this fall. The response from a letter campaign and gun raffle fundraiser was very good.

“Our local ranchers and neighbors have been a huge help,” he shared. “We sent out a letter to all local businesses in a four-county area including Harding, Butte, Perkins and Bowman counties and the response has been fantastic.”

Most people understand that when it comes to volunteer fire departments every know the importance and impact that a wildfire has on grazing, so the outreach from the community has been positive.

“Our timeline would be to

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Reub and I went to Hettinger last Monday and met with Francis Kaitfors at Cenex to have him identify the guys on a picture of the Ralph baseball team taken somewhere between 1949 and 1952. Quite a while ago, Louise Jenson brought Reub a bunch of pictures that his Aunt Mary (Olson) Parks had and this picture was in her collection. Reub had showed it to Francis and Francis found the same picture in his stuff that had the names of all the ball players written on the back of his picture so he wrote them on Reub's picture. In the front row is Francis Kaitfors, Andy Wagner Sr., Eric Horvey, Lawrence Kaitfors, Nordahl Horvey, and Ray Kaitfors. In the second row is Oscar Horvey, Don Wagner, Ben Holt, Ransom Knutson, Neal Kaitfors, Mick Prenderville, and Tony Holt. Standing in back is Willard Kaitfors.

Casey and Missy went up to South Heart Tuesday afternoon to watch their grandson Trace Klug's school program and it was really entertaining. Bev Heier, Lori Besler and I

served supper for the last Lenten service Wednesday evening at the church. Pastor Henry and Linda Mohagen were up in North Dakota visiting family so Iver Heier showed us a really good Christian movie for the service.

At Lenten service last week while we were eating supper, Sam Marty and I got to talking about my old friend Jim McBride and Sam asked me where Jim came from. I was just a little kid in Prairie City when Dad's good friend Jim McBride used to come to visit. I just loved Jim. He was a tall slim man who used to pick me up, throw me high in the air and catch me on the way down, which just thrilled me, but I had no idea where he came from before coming to homestead in South Dakota on the place where Bev and Iver Heier live now. Jim was a bachelor that married his wife Pat that my father helped him find. Jim and Pat didn't get along very well, but both of them died in a house



fire in 1969 right where Heier's live now.

I'm running out of people to ask about old folks from long ago. When Bill Clanton died it was like a library burned down and I asked Bill Vroman how I was going to answer those history questions after he and Bill Clanton were gone and Bill said "You just tell them what you think, and who is going to argue?" Well, the first one to come to mind to ask about Jim McBride was Marie Donohue so I called to ask her if she knew where Jim came from, but she told me she barely knew Jim and couldn't tell me. The next one I called was John Erickson and I hit a gold mine there! John knew that Jim McBride had come from Iowa to homestead and his place wasn't far from the homestead of another childhood hero of mine, Dode Willey, who lived in Prairie City when I was just a kid. Dode Willey made his first trip trailing cattle up from Texas to

South Dakota when he was only 13 years old. He went back to Texas and helped trail another herd up to Montana before he went to work for Ed Lemmon on the L7 in South Dakota.

Loren Opstedahl's shearing crew came here on Thursday to shear the sheep. Lanie and Matt and their four kids came down from South Heart and Sage, Ellarie, Irelyn and Dathan, and Louise Jenson came to help us out too. Cash Hanson and Gus Buchanan missed school in Buffalo that day to help out with the shearing. It was a fun day with all these nice folks here!

Lanie, Matt and the kids stayed to spend Friday and Saturday here on the ranch and all the little kids sure had fun playing together, even if it was cold and snowing on Friday.

Bob Tenold's sister, Delores Marie (Tenold) Coffield, age 87, passed away on March 27, at Spearfish Canyon Healthcare. Her funeral service was on Saturday, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Spearfish. Interment was in the Slim Buttes Church cemetery at Reva. A memorial is established for the Good Shephard Clinic at Our Savior's

Lutheran Church.

Our dear friend, Tony Holt, age 99, passed away on Saturday, April 1, at the nursing home in Lemmon. Tony's funeral will be on Saturday, April 8, at 1:00 at Slim Buttes Lutheran Church. We just celebrated Tony's 99th birthday three weeks ago at the nursing home. Tony and my father, Bryce White, were long-time friends from the time they got to know each other growing up at Hettinger, North Dakota. We are sure going to miss our old friend.

There will be a potluck supper at the Maundy Thursday worship and communion service at 6:00 at Slim Buttes Lutheran on April 6, with the meat being furnished. The Easter Sunday sunrise service will be at 7:00 in the morning on Easter Sunday with a pancake and sausage breakfast following the worship service.

A lot of friends and family came to Lodgepole to help Dort Vliem celebrate her 100th birthday on Sunday. Happy Birthday Dort!!

Reub and I celebrated Palm Sunday by attending the movie "Jesus Revolution" at the theater in Hettinger. If you haven't seen the movie, we highly recommend it.

I pray you all have a blessed Easter as we celebrate Jesus' resurrection.



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Then and Now in Newell

"Looking Forward to our Past"

by Linda Velder

March 27, 1913

Mrs. Augusta Osland of Belle Fourche was snow bound here from Sunday until Friday on her trip to the Slim Buttes to visit her daughter, Mrs. William Robinson. She could have taken the stage Monday but she thought she had better remain in town than take chances of stranded out all night on the prairie.

A crowd of young people sprang a surprise on Misses Ella and Lottie Titus Wednesday evening as they had spent the day visiting friends at the Rochester home near Frozen Man, returning home rather late, they were certainly surprised by finding all the young people in the country in their home enjoying themselves. Pulling taffy and playing games were the programs of the evening.

Attorney A. R. Honnold of Denver, Reclamation Examiner of the Central Division, is in town to take part in appraising the value of blocks to be offered for sale, April 15. The other members of the appraising board selected are Rev. C. G.

Wagoner and E. A. Ritter.

March 29, 1923

Kenneth Suter, Frank Miller and other tennis enthusiasts are to hold a meeting Friday night, in the First State Bank for the purpose of organizing a tennis club. All persons interested in the popular game are invited to attend the meeting.

The first carloads of new Fords for the Bratton Mercantile Company arrived and have been set up the past week. There are coupes, roadsters, touring cars with and without starter and demountable rims. Buy a Ford and have the difference to spend.

Agnes Hussey, who teaches the Red Top School, spent the week-end with her parents near Faith. Magnhild Thinglestad came in from Opal, where she is teaching to spend the week-end at the home of her brother Iver. Also, on school break was Miss Dorothy Boe, who spent the week end at home on Lower Horse Creek and Mrs. J. Uren their teacher at the Webb School, was unable to teach one

day last week on account of the ailment.

March 30, 1933

The senior Class held a meeting Thursday for the purpose of choosing a committee to make the class will. Lucille Price, the president of the class, opened the meeting and chose George Larson, Clarence Schipke, Irene Kusima, Phyllis Schell and Leonard Wilson to make up the will, which will be a part of the Junior-Senior banquet program.

The Squire-Dingee Pickle Company will operate their station in Nisland this year but are uncertain whether they will open the other stations.

Relief work is being done on the road south of town. This has been needed for a long time, as there are several bad holes which makes the road impassable in bad weather.

The dragnet of the law is laid for Joe Achtziger, formerly of Vale, now at-large. He was recently lodged in the Butte County jail for passing a \$90 check. He prevailed on county authorities to let him out of jail



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and he would get the money. He never showed up again. One man staked him to a farm, new machinery and seed with which to get out of debt. Achtziger had sold the machinery, seed, tractor and the new truck on a down payment on an automobile with which he and his wife and child made their get-a-way.

April 1, 1943

Twenty-five evacuees are enroute from Japanese relocation centers to Butte County, to work in the sugar beet fields, the War Relocation Authority reported today. They are coming with their intension of staying, trying to get these evacuees back into circulation on a regular basis, not just as seasonal workers. Families of these 25 men will follow and if everything works out as satisfactory as we hope, quite a number of the others probably will come here later.

Isidro Galindo and Raymond Amezcua of Fruitdale were arraigned in Belle Fourche Tuesday in Justice Court charged with having in their possession a quantity of marijuana. The 2 were bound over to Circuit Court. Being unable to furnish bond of \$500 each, they were committed to the Butte County Jail.

Hans Brekenfeldt has quit the Newell-Faith Star mail route and taken a position with Howard Schmele at ranch work for the summer. Arne Lund, contractor of the Newell-Faith route, is driving the mail wagon himself this week.

March 26, 1953

The Butte County School District Re-organization Survey Committee will hold a com-

mittee meeting Friday evening, March 27 at 7:30 PM at the Court House, is announced by Butte County Superintendent of Schools, Neva Pluimer. This will not be a public meeting, but the 7 members of the Survey Committee and ex-officio members to study the effect of recent legislation on the School District reorganization plans for the county. Tentative plans are to hold an open hearing in the south-central part of the county after the committee has had a chance to study the new legislation.

Camp No 6726, Royal Neighbors of America, of Newell is participating in nationwide patriotic project of fraternal benefit society, to obtain funds which will be presented to the American Red Cross with the suggestion that the money be used for the purchase of a number of mobile units for gathering blood for boys in the military service and for civilians use. The National Congress of America calls for local lodges throughout the US and Canada to contribute cash. There is a great need of blood for boys in service, who risk their lives for our country and a free world, the least we can do is to help them by generously contributing to this vital life saving service.

Just for a few minutes last week, Butte County Farm Agent, Kenneth Leslie, thought he was back home in Nebraska during the 30's. He was traveling up and down Highway 79 from Vale to Sturgis. Dirt was moving off the fields, the borrow pit was half full of top soil and he could not see the



This is the NHS Class of 1933. President Lucille Price is 5th from the left

Solutions to Puzzles found on B7
Answer to Sudoku

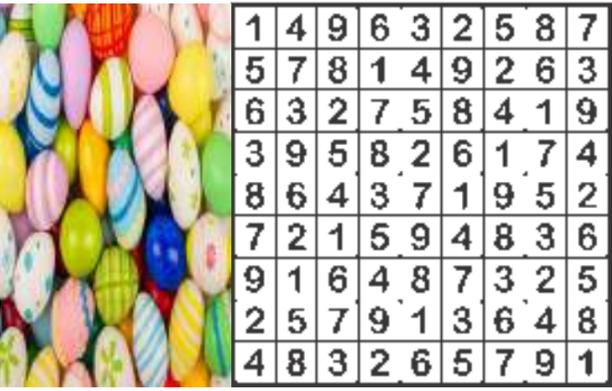


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From C3
Then and Now

road or sky for the blowing soil and other debris.

March 28, 1963
Butch's Garage & Implement is cordially inviting all to a plowing demonstration with the all-new 5-bottom plow at the Darrell Anderson farm 4½ miles southwest of Newell. Also come see their new John Deere and Oliver tractors, plows, discs and land levelers in all sizes to fill all farm operations.

Residents of this area who have heard the term "safe peeling" saw what it actually was Friday morning at the Newell Liquor Company, where approximately \$2,500 in cash has been removed from a large safe in the building. Sometime between the usual midnight closing of the Municipal

operated liquor establishment and early morning when it was opened, thieves had broken into the building by entering the attic from a back stairway, peeled one of the heavy front sheet metal and cement doors of the safe and made off with that cash they found in boxes there.

Two slates have been announced in Student Council election to be held at Black Hills Teacher College on March 29. Platforms and candidates will be introduced at a convocation on the 27th. Candidates for President are Maurice Townsend, Newell and Dennis Kelly, Gregory. Townsend, a junior, is the son of Mrs. May Townsend and active in many college organizations. On the Townsend ticket candidates include Bill Long, Newell and Dick Naeve, Rapid City for 2-year members-at-large.

From C2
Reva

start construction this summer and have it completed by our September 23rd pancake supper," said Klempel. "We are planning on doing the labor and construction ourselves but will hire a general contractor to oversee and keep us pointed in the right direction and on task."

As with any project, there are unforeseen expenses that tend to crop up. The treasurer said if anyone wants to contribute at any time they can send donations to Sorum/Reva Fire Dept., PO Box 123, Reva, SD 57651. Or you can call Klempel at 605-641-4328 to make arrangements for a donation.

Meanwhile, the Saturday, April 8 auction on KBHB Radio will help support the department and get the word out.

"Our fire department is split by Highway 79 and Highway 20, so we do get called upon for

multiple highway accidents," said this volunteer. "We have a rescue rig that has the jaws of life as well as a set of hydraulic spreaders and multiple jacks to help assist with vehicular extractions. Our service area is roughly 500 square miles but we also help assist and provide mutual aid for other fire departments in our corner of the state. We also purchased a UTV several years ago that is equipped with tracks, and has its own search and rescue gear. This has been a major asset to our department as we have the Slim Buttes and miles of walk in hunting areas if someone goes missing during hunting season, which has happened."

Listen to the KBHB Auction on April 8 to help raise donations for the fire hall, or donate now at RevaFireHall.com. The donation period on Saturday runs from 9 to 11 a.m. and you can call 605-347-4455 to donate.

From C1
Metal

boys, teaching them about agriculture and all the hard work that goes into it.

"We love being able to spend more family time together," said Wulf.

You can contact the Wulfs

about their products via their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/wulfsmetalworksandrusticdesign> or by phone at 605-490-2933. You can also contact them via email at wulfsmetalworksandrusticdesign@hotmail.com. The couple will soon be adding a website for more and permanent informa-

tion. "We are excited to have it up and running for all our current and future customers," said Wulf. As most small business owners in the local area do, the couple encourages people to support their community by shopping local.

A Night to Remember; NHS Prom 2023

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NEWELL – The weather cooperated and gave Newell High School students a perfect evening for their prom on Saturday, April 1 in Austin Auditorium.

The junior class, along with advisor Molly Moes and chaperones Tyrel Bonet, Steve Schoenfish and Emylee Hency, enjoyed "A Night to Remember." DJ Dan provided music, Taurie Collins took the official photos and the junior class parents assisted in the kitchen ferrying food from the concessions area to the long table. The gift from juniors to each senior in attendance was a clear glass

with the words "A Night to Remember, Newell Prom 2023" etched on the side.

Prom King Gavin Tesch and Queen Liv Lohner were announced following the formal and fun Grand March. Principal Steve Schoenfish announced each couple and then it was a free-for-all of spontaneous marching in groups having lots of fun.

Prior to the prom's beginning and the presence of the parents and families of prom-goers, the couples practiced the Grand March, took a large group photo and made sure they had a spot at one of the tables set up. Both sides of the gym had opened bleachers for the parents to sit

while watching Grand March. Ushers for the event were Jayden Tesch, Braelyn Adams, Michael Lawson and Sarah Erk. They made sure each couple descending the stairs from the stage stepped down safely and then provided assistance throughout the evening.

Following the dance which began at 6:30 and ended around midnight, the kids had time to change before boarding a bus to attend a fun after prom party at Flags and Wheels in Rapid City, playing laser tag, go karts, bumper cards, batting cages and playing games in the arcade. That portion of the evening ended at 3:30 a.m. and students headed home around 4:30 a.m.

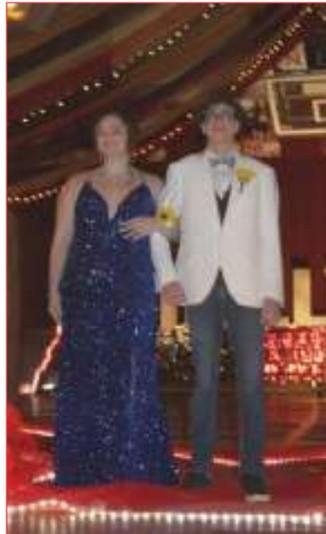
Photos by Colleen Brunner
More photos coming next week



Time for some fun after the formality of Grand March. Here Jameson Duncan, his date Taylor Gaer, and Megan Jackson and her date Logan Dreiske, pop a confetti cannister during their fun walk.



Colton Burtzloff, a senior at NHS, holds the glass he received from the juniors at Prom 2023.



Grand march is always fun. Here Sophia Johnston and her date Evan Byrom strut the red carpet.



DJ Dan got the kids on the dance floor with a cooperative dance. "Now hop three times."

Best of luck Newell seniors
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