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Things Progressing for New Convention Center and Hotel

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BELLE FOURCHE – The first steps toward construction of a new \$10 million dollar hotel and convention center on the city's south side are well underway. According to Doug Peterson, of DA Peterson Company, LLC, of Lemmon, soil samples were recently taken on site and next steps are underway.

The complex is expected to include a two-story structure with 72 rooms, a 300-seat convention center, a restaurant, indoor swimming pool and a 1,200 square foot fitness center that will be open to the public. The property is located off Cowboy Street just north of the AmericInn.

"We're big fans of the Belle Fourche economy and where we see Belle headed in the future," Peterson recently told the

Beacon. "We see a lot of growth happening here and see a lot of business expansion on the south side of town."

Peterson told the Beacon that with the results of the soil testing complete work has begun on designing the foundation details. He says that most of the architectural work is complete and the bids for the project will be going out very soon.

Once the dirt work is complete Peterson expects a minimum of 8-months for construction and realistically places the grand opening for a year from now, around the spring of 2024. There are a few tweaks to the final design that have been made and with a bit more acreage at the current location there will be space for more parking and the footprint of the structure can expand, eliminating the need for a third floor.

From "Graps" to "Ollies"

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Holly Orpen is eager to transform "Graps" to "Ollies". The new restaurant will specialize in comfort food, breakfast, lunch and dinner.

For the past seven years Graps has been a popular destination for lunch or dinner in Belle Fourche. The atmosphere was conducive to good conversation, and customers have enjoyed the opportunity to catch up with family and friends while enjoying excellent food and service.

Last week, Graps served their loyal customers for a final time.

Very soon the restaurant on National Street will undergo some changes. Like Graps named for founder Jim Grapentine, the new restaurant will also have a namesake. The new owner, Holly Orpen will rename the restaurant "Ollies" after her grandfather, Ollie. Holly who grew up in Minnesota had strong ties to her grandparents. "They kind of raised me." She said.

Holly has a vision for Ollies that includes being open all day for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The menu will offer familiar comfort food in the form of traditional Mid-western cooking. She is still working out the details.

Holly is excited about the



Holly Orpen



This sign that has been a familiar site at 512 National Street since 2015 will soon come down and a new sign for the new business will take its place. Beacon photo

future and hopes to open the family style restaurant's doors for business yet this month. She will keep a liquor license and hopes to offer the public, "Good food for the price you pay." She also plans to source meat locally. "I want to bring what I call "home-cooked" food to the area". She said.

Holly Orpen was born and raised in Minnesota. She moved to Spearfish several months ago because, she liked the area. Although new to the region, she is not new to business ownership and restaurant management. In Minnesota she has owned a restaurant and two race-tracks during the course of her career. "I've been around race cars all my life." She explained.

Holly's career has largely driven by her diverse interests. Although she claims not to have much time for hobbies, she noted an interest in riding snowmobiles. Holly has a strong work ethic. Since moving to Spearfish from Minnesota in August she has been working as a delivery driver for Frito-Lay, but she prefers the idea of working for herself.

On her long run to Buffalo, SD each week she noticed a sign across from Big D in Belle Fourche advertising land. She wanted to build a restaurant. Her word of mouth inquiries soon led to conversations with Jim Grapentine who had a restaurant for sale. The rest is history.

Friends and family are priorities for Holly. Her two oldest children are attending college in Minnesota while her youngest is a home-schooled high school student in Spearfish.

Holly's own education is a bit unconventional. "I originally went to school to be a helicopter pilot." She said. At some point she switched gears and now holds a BS degree in business management. Other than formal education, Holly attributes the 'school of life' for most of her education.

She has many ideas to turn Ollies into a destination in Belle Fourche. She knows how to run a business, and she knows how to work hard. The future for Ollies looks promising for Holly Orpen and Belle Fourche.

La Belle Ballet is Dance



Dance group cameo under the La Belle Ballet logo at the historic Scotney building studio. Pictured here left to right: **Maddison Cuff, Gracie Hunter, Evelyn Bean, Gianna Tadra, Natalie Venter and Elizabeth Kitzan.** Courtesy Photo

La Belle Ballet: The Art of the Dance

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Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons are a beehive of activity as La Belle Ballet dance studio. As if carefully choreographed, students come and go entering and exiting from a newly constructed outdoor stairway leading to the second floor of the historic Scotney Manor in Belle Fourche

"Actually, we manage very well." Director and Instructor Mary Nieman-Riley said as she explained how one instructor manages 60 students ranging in age from two and a half to 18 during only three afternoons each week. "When one group leaves, another enters. We've got it down."

Although the students are all girls at the moment, boys have attended La Belle Ballet in the past and are always welcome to sign up. "Dance is more than dressing up in frilly costumes with colored glitter." Mary smiled as she explained that dance is fundamentally about athleticism and athletic training.

Mary Nieman-Riley has always known what she wanted in life. Her dance career began at the age of 5. At the tender age of 18, she purchased a dance studio.

As a dance instructor, Mary holds certification in Progressive Ballet Technique (PTB). Progressive Ballet Technique is an innovative body-strengthening program that helps prevent injury and enhances balance,

and muscle memory.

Mary's training has taken her to classes in Chicago and Denver. She also is certified in K-Taping. K-Taping is a prevailing treatment for athletic injuries. Mary explained that student injuries in her teaching experience have been rare, but it's important to be prepared.

Mary's PTB training has had many benefits. She has learned to teach students about kinesthesia, or the scientific theory of muscle movement. She teaches them balance and alignment as these skills relate to science. Mary is quick to point out that strength and flexibility are transferrable and that dance training lasts a lifetime.

Some of Mary's goals are not specific to the single purpose of producing trained dancers. She knows that the confidence that dance instruction inspires can be life changing.

Mary also strives to offer

access to dance training to all children. Overall, she tries to keep the costs as reasonable as possible. Thanks to the generosity of some local philanthropic entities, La Belle Ballet has funding for scholarships.

Travel to competitions is made possible through fundraising initiated by parent volunteers. Parents are also a critical resource for transportation and sewing costumes.

Mary is a Belle Fourche high school graduate who grew up here in Belle Fourche. Her upbringing was divided between the home of the family sawmill, her mom's home daycare, and some weekends in Hulett, WY.

She & her husband, Tanner still work Mary's family ranch in between raising three children and helping at her husband's family business, the Office Emporium in Belle Fourche.

Ballet B1



Colorful and festive dancers' final ensemble and awards at the spring recital 2022. Courtesy Photo

Work Underway on Sports Complex New Lighting

BELLE FOURCHE – Work has begun on the new \$1.5 million lighting upgrades to the Roundup Grounds Sports Complex. Crews from 21 Electric in Newcastle were on site last week installing foundations for the new light poles. Plans call for 26 new fixtures to be installed on site later this spring. Once the foundation pillars are complete crews will begin work on trenching in the electrical lines for the new LED fixtures.

Musco Lighting of Oskaloosa, Iowa, is the general contractor for the work. Musco is recognized in the athletic industry as one of the top providers of lighting systems ranging from major colleges to professional sports and the Olympics. They recently completed an upgrade to the North Casper Sports Complex in Wyoming with 26 new fixtures.

The outdated lighting at the Roundup Complex has been an area of concern among coaches, parents and players who often play or complete games well after sundown. Not only was the old illumination insufficient but some of the light poles were becoming unstable and some lights were even suspended on wires. Without an upgrade the city said play would have to be limited to daytime only. The new lights will significantly

improve nighttime visibility for players, providing an average of 50 foot candles in the infield and 30 in the outfield, according to data provided by Musco Lighting.

Musco expects to begin delivery of the LED fixtures to the sports complex at the Roundup Grounds later this spring with installation completed soon after, weather permitting. There are plans for 26 light poles

and 147 aimed and assembled luminaries. The light poles will be between 60 and 70 feet high and able to withstand winds in excess of 100 mph. The lights can be controlled with the use of a smart phone and with the LED technology, they can be adjusted for brightness at the touch of a button. The company's warranty says 100% of maintenance costs will be eliminated for 25 years.



Concrete pillars are popping up at the Roundup Sports Complex where new lighting poles will be installed. Crews from 21 Electric in Newcastle, WY, are working with Musco Lighting on the installation. There will be 26 pillars placed around the six ball fields. The 60-foot high LED light standards will slip over the concrete pillars and be able to withstand 100-mph winds. Beacon Photo



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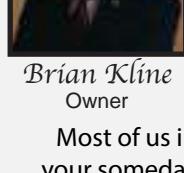
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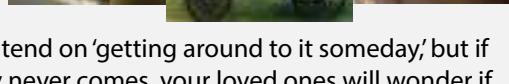
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Ray Kidd 81

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

Harold Sulzbach 94

Harold Sulzbach was born August 27, 1928, the fifth of 10 boys to Charles F. and Laura E. Zurcher Sulzbach in Alliance, NE. He died March 29th, 2023, at the age of 94 at Fort Meade Hospice Center, Sturgis, SD.

Harold grew up on the family farm north of Alliance, Nebraska. He met and married his sweetheart, Lois E. (Rust). He served in the Army as a mechanic in the 109th INF Medical CO. Four children were born to this union, Jacque, Sandra, Gary and Michelle.

Harold and Lois moved to the Vale, South Dakota area and raised their family on a dairy just east of Vale. He enjoyed life on the farm and later retired to the Spearfish area.

He is preceded in death by his wife Lois, oldest daughter Jacque, eight of his brothers, and his parents. He is survived by one brother Norman (Jean), sister-in-law Shirley Sulzbach, David Miller, husband of Jacque, Sandra Cook (Mark), Gary



Sulzbach (Terry), Michelle Sulzbach (Aaron). Six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

The family would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all those who have enriched Dad's life over the years.

Funeral services will be at 11:00am on Thursday, April 13 at Believers Fellowship in Sturgis SD with burial to follow at Black Hills National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established to the Bella Pregnancy Center in Spearfish.

Arrangements are under the care of Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapels and Isburg Crematory of Spearfish. Online condolences may be written at www.fidler-isburgfuneralchapel.com

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Larry Vissia 77

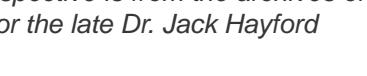


USA, Canada, Mexico, and Europe. He did much research on family history and wrote books about his findings, in addition to his thoughts and ideas on society in general. Larry never married or had children of his own, but received many comments that he had the largest family in SD with his students.

Larry is survived by his three brothers: Albert (Johna) Vissia, Plankinton; Andrew Vissia, White Lake; and George (Anna) Vissia, Whitewood; ten nieces and nephews: Pam, Doug (Leah) & Jim Vissia, Plankinton; Sharon (Eric) Nowotny, White Lake; Rhonda (Jack) Marks, Fisherville, KY; Steve (Lorie) Vissia, Post Falls, ID; Tracy Vissia, Jacksonville, FL; Wade (Angie) Vissia, Belle Fourche, SD; Todd (Cindy) Vissia, Whitewood, SD; Sue (Bill) Hartman, Derby, KS; and 23 great nieces & nephews, and 36 great-great nieces & nephews.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents, brother Richard Vissia, two sisters-in-law Ruby Vissia and Clarice Vissia, one great-nephew, and one great-great niece.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred. They may be directed to Todd & Cindy Vissia PO Box 423 Whitewood, SD 57793 or Pam Vissia PO Box 371 Plankinton, SD 57368



Another Perspective

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

"The Grace to Be Wrong"



for the answer to this important/necessary matter is always NOW! Especially if God and His will are involved in the matter.

Thankfully, I am discovering a small but growing band of folks who are willing to trust the Lord to cover

their imperfections whether it be in timing, in understanding, or in sense of urgency. They are gaining the capacity to be wrong in their perspective, as right as they might be in their purpose.

I find that grace was powerfully present in the early Church. I hear the apostles and elders at Jerusalem say, concerning a decision that would reshape the Church's future, It seemed good (Acts 15:28).

Before they invoke the ultimate of divine authority, they simply says,

We thought a lot about it. It seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us.

History confirms the decision they made, but I am most impressed by the non-authoritarian air with which the judgment was communicated.

Paul says twice in 1 Corinthians 7 that his counsel is offered as a concession, not as a commandment (v. 6); and that his directives concerning marriage and the single life were according to [his] judgment (v. 40). He does affirm that he believed himself to have the mind of the Holy

Spirit on the subject, but again, the authority is exercised with wisdom. There is an apparent willingness to hearing others out on the subject.

I love Peter's capacity to not know as much as another brother, and still to love and trust that brother's words toward him. Second Peter 3:15,16 manifests a readiness to receive the gift of another's wisdom and expertise, without denying or having to hurriedly insist that you have received much already yourself.

Somehow, you and I experience a painful reluctance to utter the words, I don't know. Or, I may not be entirely right. Or, I need your balancing counsel on this, my friend. It's hard for us to say these things and mean them with a truly teachable spirit.

Some matters, of course, are not negotiable. But my personal inclinations, however sure I might feel about them, must be kept available to modification within the circle of those who love me in Christ.

Such vulnerability is the only safety valve against the recurrent problems which rugged individualism has wrought in personal and family lives, in business and government matters, and in the Church of the Lord Jesus through-out history.

Let's keep hands joined in trust. Mine and yours may not be perfectly clean, but keeping hold will sure help us keep our balance.

Psalm 97:1

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Event Calendar

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

May 13-14: Opening weekend at the D.C. Booth Fish Hatchery in Spearfish SD. The Pond Gift Shop and the historic venues will be open from 9 am - 6 pm.

May 20: Booth Day. We will celebrate the 2023 season at the D.C. Booth Fish Hatchery in Spearfish SD from 10 am - 2 pm. Dick Termes will unveil the Hatchery Termesphere at 10:30 am. Free hotdogs, games and activities along with Gift Shop promotions will be available. More information at www.dcboothfishhatchery.org or on D.C. Booth Facebook page.

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

Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center opens exhibit about Westerns in Film and TV

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center will hold a through-the-day reception to note the opening of a new exhibit, "Westerns in Film and TV," on Saturday, April 22..

The reception will include

themed cupcakes from SME's

Treats and beverages. The event

is free and the public is invited to attend.

"Westerns in Film and TV,"

will include storyboards, photos,

artifacts, an activity table, a take-

home workbook, and a touch-

screen quiz. Westerns will run on

the TV screen in the exhibit area,

with information about what is

running on the screen at any one time.

A smaller version of this

exhibit was mounted in 2017 but

proved to be one of the most popu-

lar ones done by the Tri-State,

especially with tourists. This

version of "Westerns" will be up

through September 9. The Tri-

State Museum and Visitor Center

is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in

Belle Fourche. For more informa-

tion, call 605-723-1200, visit the

website at www.thestratemuseum.com or check out the museum

and visitor center's Facebook

page.

Butte/Lawrence 4-H Bytes

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The YLL that was scheduled for April 4 will now be held on Tuesday, May 2. The location has yet to be determined.

The CDM and Horticulture Public Presentations scheduled for April 5th will now be held on Wednesday, May 3 at the Chamber of Commerce in Spearfish.

Those who are scheduled to give presentations will be contacted, or may contact the extension office with any questions.

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 in Arlington, VA will take place this weekend, April 14-19.

There will be a mandatory livestock meeting for all live-stock sale members at 4:00pm Sunday, April 14 at the Saint Onge Hall. Those planning to sell livestock at the 2023 Butte/Lawrence County Fair must attend or be represented at the meeting by a club leader, parent,



or other designated representative.

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. at Spearfish Chamber of Commerce.

Youth Livestock Literacy (YLL) will be held April 23 at

2:00 p.m. at the Newell School. Registration is not required.

Help is still needed for the food stand committee for the Butte/Lawrence County Fair. Members would work individually or as a group with organizing, planning, scheduling, food preparation and equipment, etc. Those interested should contact Sharon Thompson at 303-856-4835.

Correction: We offer our apologies that the color scheme and theme were announced before the Fair Board had approved them. At the March 13 meeting they approved the theme as Country Camo and the new colors as Camouflage.

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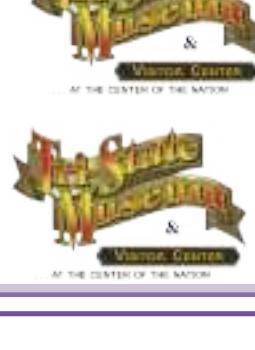
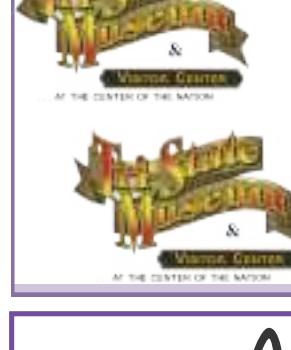
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"Come see the exhibit, pilgrim."

Westerns in Film and TV exhibit

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BFHS Man Pageant

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On Tuesday, March 21, Belle Fourche High School had their annual Man Pageant. The Man Pageant

was originally started in 2016 by the BFHS Student Council. Every year since, BFHS Student Council has sponsored this event with the help of its advisor, Cami Wenk, and all proceeds raised from this event are donated to the Children's Miracle Network.

This year's pageant had 5 contestants, and these BFHS senior students were Dustin Kolb, David Pruitt, Gunnar Geib, Devin Nowowiejski, and Lane Longbrake. As part of the competition, each of these contestants dressed up and wrote a short description of themselves. The descriptions were then read after they all individually walked on stage.

Afterwards, each of the contestants performed a skit or activity for Jammie Raba, Mike

Kane, and Ann-Marie Hostetter, who are teachers in the Belle Fourche School District and volunteered as judges.

Contestant Lane Longbrake demonstrated how to give someone a reverse bowl haircut to a student. Meanwhile, Dustin Kolb played the guitar and sang a heartfelt song for the lady judges. Other performances included Devin Nowowiejski performing a jazzercise routine with the help of two other students, Gunnar Geib demonstrated how to cook by making a sandwich, and David Pruitt shared some school appropriate jokes.

Once the performance section was complete, the contestants had to answer a few questions on the spot to test how well they were under pressure.

This year's Mr. Belle Fourche High School went to Dustin Kolb, and Mr. Congeniality went to Lane Longbrake. This fundraiser is always a fun activity and was enjoyed by the crowd attending the event.

Congratulations to the two winners, and good job to all this year's contestants.



Mr. BFHS **Dustin Kolb** and Mr. Congeniality **Lane Longbrake** are announced as the Man Pageant winners at the conclusion of the competition.



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- April 12 | FFA District 5 CDE @ Philip
- April 13 | Golf Quad (Custer/Hot Springs/Lead/Deadwood) @ Hot Springs Southern Hills GC
- April 15 | Track Center of the Nation @ HOME
- April 16-18 | FFA State Convention @ Brookings
- April 18 | Golf Pre-Regions Invite @ Rapid City
- April 18 | Track JV Invite @ Rapid City

SAVE THE DATE!

Spring Booster Club Picnic | Thursday, April 27 at 6pm
Guest Speaker BHSU Girls Basketball Coach, Mark Nore
The "picnic" will include all students who participated in both winter and spring activities.

Winter Weather Delays Broncs Baseball Season

The winter weather that has come through the area has delayed the start of the Belle Fourche Baseball season by two weeks. The Broncs were supposed to open their season on Sunday March 26th in a varsity doubleheader against Lennox, followed by a couple of midweek varsity contests on Wednesday in Rapid City against Central and Stevens before opening Class B play against Winner/Colome and Hot Springs on April 2nd. Their JV/Varsity doubleheader against Rapid City Christian on April 6th was cancelled as well.

Fortunately, Belle Fourche will get many of these games made up over the next week as they were scheduled to start April 10th in Rapid City for a couple of varsity contests against Rapid City Stevens.

The JV and Varsity squads will make a return trip to Rapid City for a midweek contest on April 12th taking on Rapid City Central's JV and Varsity.

The home opener is slated to be on Saturday the 15th and will serve as the team's first contest that counts towards regional standings taking on Rapid City Christian. First pitch for the varsity game is set to be at 11am with a JV contest to follow. The following day Belle Fourche will be hosting a triangular as preseason Region

IV favorite Winner/Colome and Hot Springs come to town. The Broncs will take on Winner/Colome at 1pm, and then get to rest up during the 3pm game as Winner/Colome and Hot Springs play each other, before finishing their day against Hot Springs at 5pm.

Belle Fourche will be challenged to play their fourth game in a three day stretch as they finish off a jam-packed opening week traveling to Rapid City on

Monday for a JV/Varsity match-up against St. Thomas More.

To stay up to date on all Belle Fouche Baseball news and game updates follow their Facebook team page Belle Fourche Broncs/Post 32 Baseball.

You can also follow along pitch-by-pitch every home and away contest using the GameChanger app on your phone by searching for Belle Fourche Varsity Broncs.



Evan Vissia tags the runner at home plate. - Angela Vissia
2022 Season Photo

Belle Fourche High School Baseball 2023 Schedule

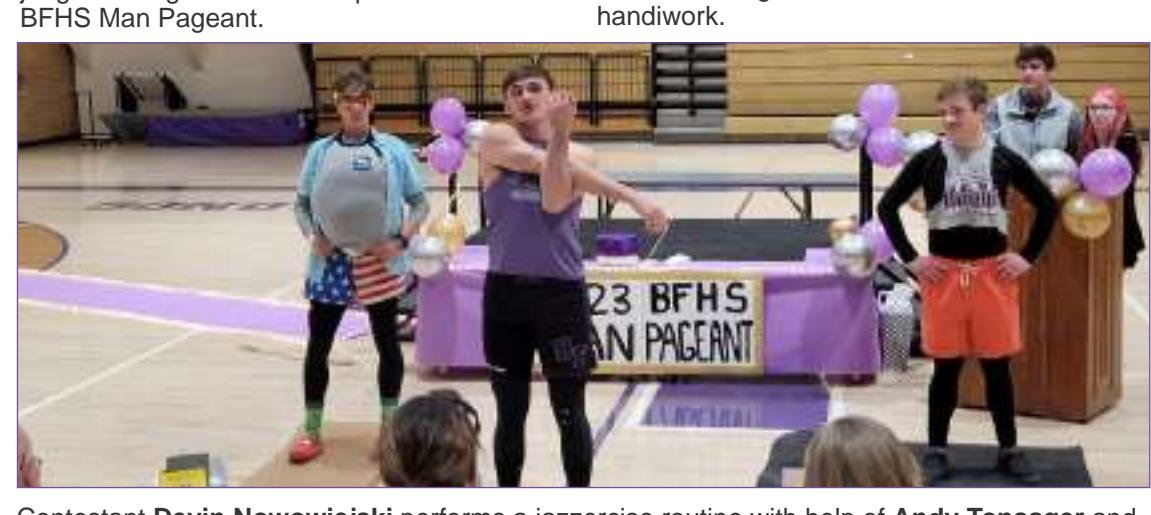
Date	Opponent	JV Gametime	Varsity Gametime
Wednesday April 12	@ Rapid City Central JV	5:00pm	
Wednesday April 12	@ Rapid City Central JV	7:30pm	
Saturday April 15	**v. Rapid City Christian**	1:00pm	11:00am
Sunday April 16	v. Bennett County	1:00pm	
Monday April 17	@ St Thomas More	5:00pm	7:00pm
Monday April 24	v. Rapid City Stevens	5:00pm	
Monday April 24	v. Rapid City Stevens	7:30pm	
Friday April 28	**v. St Thomas More**	5:00pm	7:00pm



Contestant **Dustin Kolb** serenades the female judges during the talent competition of the BFHS Man Pageant.



Contestant **Lane Longbrake** demonstrates a reverse bowl haircut on **Riley Dighton**, while other Man Pageant contestants observe his handiwork.



Contestant **Devin Nowowiejski** performs a jazzercise routine with help of **Andy Tonsager** and **Lane Krautschun**, while emcees **Anthony Budmayr** and **Isabella Peterson** look on.

Alyssa Frisbie Courtesy Photos

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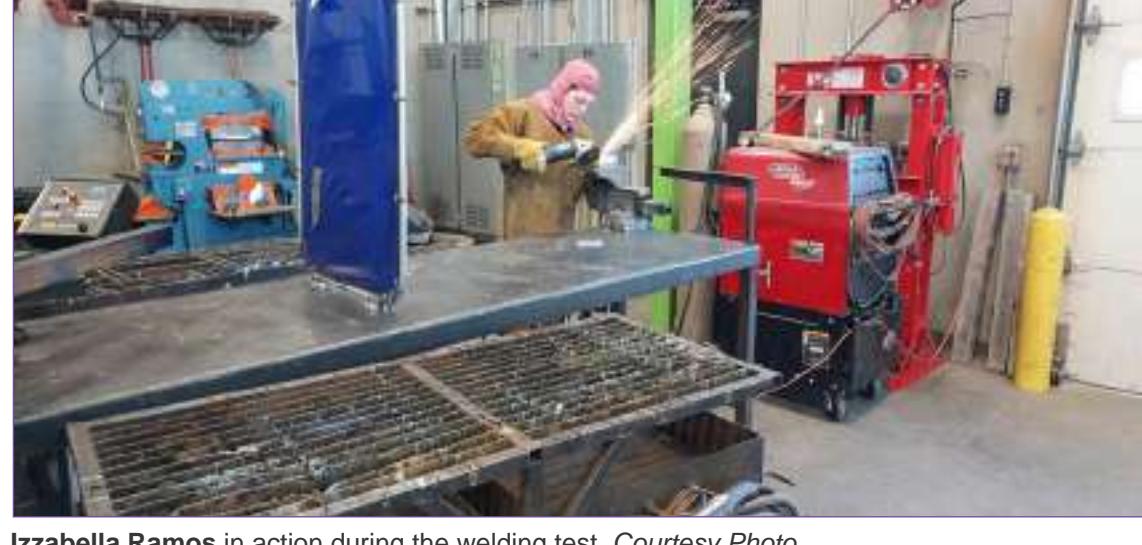
On March 23rd, four Belle Fourche high school welding students Izzabella Ramos,

Matthew Goodwin, Hunter Hanson and Lange Shockley at Mitchell Technical College to

compete in their annual welding competition.



Competitors left to right Hunter Hanson who won 7th place, Izzabella Ramos, Lange Shockley and Matthew Goodwin who took 3rd place. Courtesy Photo



Izzabella Ramos in action during the welding test. Courtesy Photo



Lane Shockley during his welding test. Courtesy Photo



Group in a lighter moment at Mitchell Technical College competition. Courtesy Photo

Matthew Goodwin welding during competition. Courtesy Photo

Show Up

by Belle LaVenue

Spring events are popping up like flowers through the melting snow. The month of April has many reasons to Show Up!

This coming weekend: AUDITIONS- The Fine Arts Boosters welcomes all types of talent in the show on April 30th. **The group will hold auditions on Saturday morning, April 15th**, from 10-12 in the Belle Fourche MS Band Room. Get your act together and contact Belle Fourche FAB by text at 605-892-2342 or email, bfhsfab@gmail.com, to sign up and be part of a FUN community event! If you are unable to audition that day, a separate time can be arranged.

In just two weeks!! **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**. With only a few weeks to go, the high school thespians and their directors have been in the theater creating the set and practicing those classic musical numbers. We have gathered some exclusive photos of their backstage construction this past weekend - it is really taking shape to be a beautiful set.

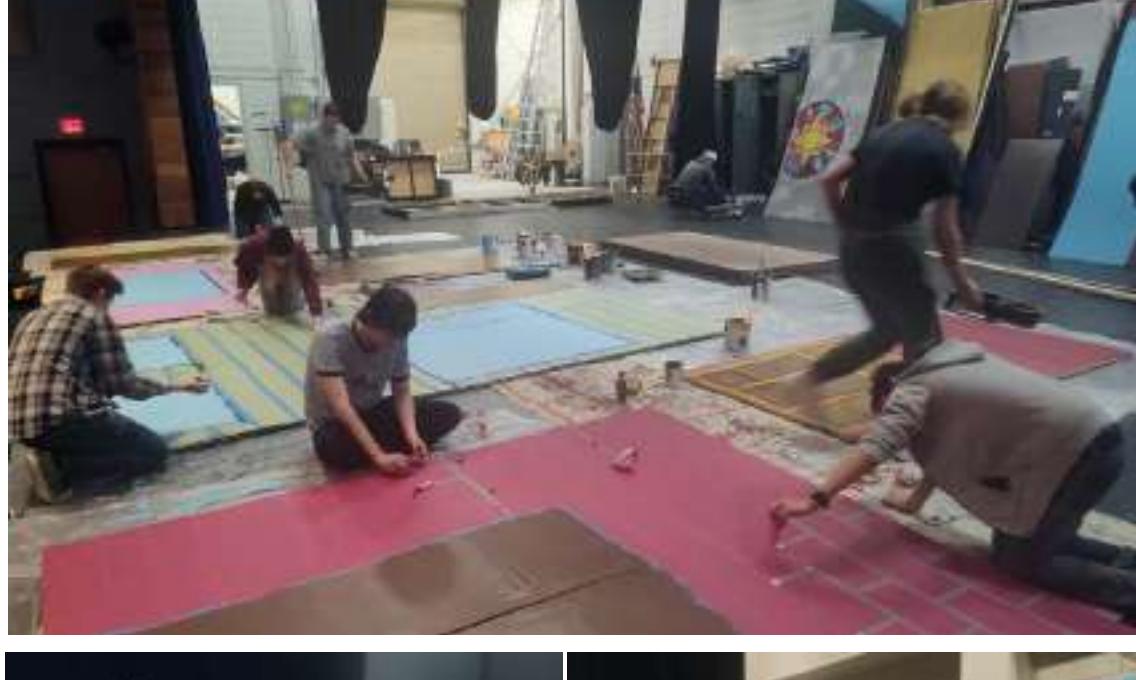
APRIL 22 - Exhibit opens in the TRI-STATE MUSEUM & VISITOR CENTER: "Westerns in Film and TV". The Center will hold a through-the-day reception to note the opening of a new exhibit, "Westerns in Film and TV," on Saturday, April 22.. The reception will include themed cupcakes from SME's Treats and beverages. The event is free and will include storyboards, photos, artifacts, an activity table, a take-home workbook, and a touchscreen quiz. Westerns will run on the TV screen in the exhibit area, with information about what is running on the screen at any one time.

APRIL 29 - SPRING DANCE RECITAL from LBB + Studio B Dance Studio at 6:00 PM at the Belle Fourche Rec Center Theater. The recital, titled "GIRL POWER", features dance performances to music created by some of the best women in the music business.

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

Set-building weekend for BFHS's The Music Man brought out a large crew for directors Toi Lyn Flick and Nathan Schreier. On stage working this weekend to start bringing River City to life were Nyomi Woltkamp, John Hale, Jess Hale, Hunter Brown, Tim Thompson, Tavey Biel, Teddy Long, Grace Clooten, Sloan Young, Atlee Olson, Dustin Kolb, Ethan Staley, Kalika Nulle, Kiana Tingley, Harley Rivera, Olivia Niehl, Naomi Bricker, Maggie McCord, and Rose Sprigler. Courtesy Photo



FEBRUARY 2023 BELLE FOURCHE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



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Thurs, April 13th

BRONC Breakfast: Stuffed French Toast
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Lunch: Taco in a Bag or Chicken Sandwich
Fruit/Veggie/Milk

Fri, April 14th

BRONC Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll
*K-4 Muffin & String Cheese

Juice/Fruit/Milk

Lunch: Pizza or Twisted Dog

Fruit/Veggie/Milk

Mon, April 17th

BRONC Breakfast: Pancake Sausage Stick
*K-4 Cereal

Juice/Fruit/Milk

Lunch: French Toast Stick with Egg
or Cheeseburger

Fruit/Veggie/Milk

Tues, April 18th

BRONC Breakfast: Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich
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Lunch: Spaghetti or Bosco Stick
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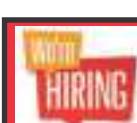


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Questions?

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Anything Left in the Barrel?

The front page story regarding the name changing from Grap's to Ollie's marks the end of a section of Belle Fourche modern history.

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In addition to clubs and groups they provided a meeting place for teachers, students, and parents for

By: Doug Cole
every school activity and sport.

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Thursday evenings during football season the team would be there for a meal.

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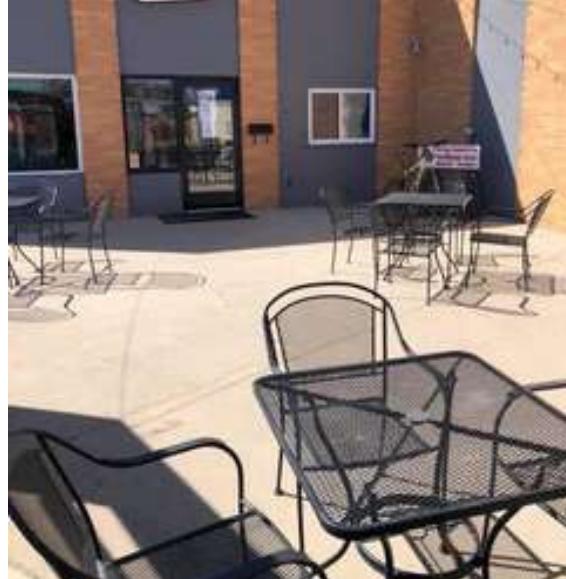
Below is a Thank You the Grapentine's wanted the Beacon to share with you.

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As owner of the local paper, it is my opinion it is us who should be thanking them for what they have done through the years and will continue to do.

Grap's would like to take this opportunity to thank all the local support and staff we have had throughout the years. If it were not for this we would not have been as successful as we were. Our wish is for Holly to have that same support for her new adventure.

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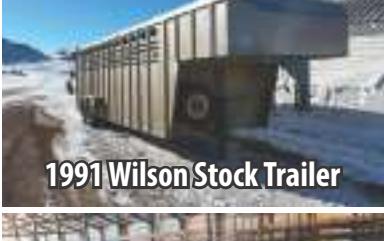
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Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Jeremy Buhler	\$58,197.58	Arrowwood, AB
2	Buddy Hawkins	\$49,449.05	Stephenville, TX
3	Justin Davis	\$44,266.40	Cottonwood, CA
4	Cole Curry	\$38,157.04	Liberty, MS
5	Levi Lord	\$34,251.88	Sturgis, SD

STEER ROPING			
Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Cole Patterson	\$43,027.40	Pratt, KS
2	Ross Lohse	\$35,151.22	Kaycee, WY
3	Jess Tierney	\$34,018.18	Hermosa, SD
4	Scott Snedecur	\$31,221.85	Fredericksburg, TX

PRCA News and Notes

The Cowboy Channel is proud to announce the creation of a separate feed for Spanish-language viewers providing full coverage of all performances of the PRCA's Top 10 rodeos. Spanish language productions for Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, Austin, San Angelo, Reno, Calgary, Cheyenne, Salinas, Pendleton, and the Wrangler NFR in Las Vegas will now be offered as part of a monthly or yearly subscription to the PRCA on Cowboy Channel Plus app. The first live broadcast feed of The Cowboy Channel Deportes will start on June 15th with the Reno Rodeo. The Cowboy Channel Deportes will also be offered on a regional basis to Spanish-language cable and broadcast channels to support these rodeos and to help develop new fan support in their respective local markets.

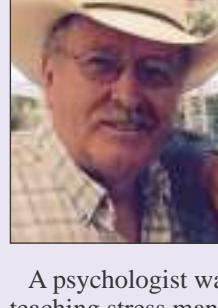
"Our #1 goal at The Cowboy Channel has always been to grow the fan base, and viewership, for rodeo and western sports", stated Patrick Gottsch, Founder of The Cowboy Channel. "The Hispanic community in the United States, and throughout all North & South

America, are deeply involved in the western lifestyle. We believe that The Cowboy Channel can help bridge this small gap by producing a year-long Spanish-language feed so that these fans can now follow the regular ProRodeo season from start to finish, growing attendance and interest for all rodeos across the country."

In partnership with Mexicana, the veteran Mexican rodeo broadcast team of Luis Fernando Zepeda de Alba and Roberto Valdez will anchor these broadcasts from The Cowboy Channel studios in the historic Fort Worth Stockyards. Each broadcast will consist of a pre-show, just like the one produced on The Cowboy Channel prior to each Top 10 rodeo performance. The Cowboy Channel Deportes will simply be an additional option of the various "live" feeds available on the PRCA on Cowboy Channel Plus app and archived so viewers can access any of these Spanish-language broadcasts anytime throughout the year. And with this new feed also allows the opportunity for Spanish-language commercials.

The Good Stuff

by Jim Thompson



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

I'm sure you've heard or seen this, but it never hurts to be reminded. God bless you all!

Put the Glass Down

doesn't change, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes."

She continued, "The stresses and worries in life are like this glass of water. Think about them for a while and nothing happens. Think about them a bit longer and they begin to hurt. And if you think about them all day long, you will feel paralyzed - incapable of doing anything."

So, remember to PUT THE GLASS DOWN!

Calmly putting down my glass, I'm Jim Thompson

BARREL RACING

Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Jordon Briggs	\$87,894.72	Tolar, TX
2	Jackie Ganter	\$49,192.97	Abilene, TX
3	Brittany Pozzi Tonoza	\$43,035.88	Lampasas, TX
4	Sissy Winn	\$42,451.70	Chapman, TX
5	Kassie Mowry	\$39,982.27	Dublin, TX
6	Molly Otto	\$38,621.61	Grand Forks, ND
7	Margo Crowther	\$32,448.85	North Fort Myers, FL
8	Jessica Routier	\$31,866.65	Buffalo, SD
9	Lisa Lockhart (G)	\$31,680.01	Oelrichs, SD
10	Hailey Kinsel	\$30,556.88	Cotulla, TX
11	Kelly Allen	\$26,983.40	Stephenville, TX
12	Sara Winkelman	\$25,724.25	Big Lake, MN
13	Jimmie Smith-Tew	\$25,315.68	McDade, TX
14	Ilyssa Riley	\$24,742.80	Hico, TX
15	Bayleigh Choate	\$22,400.23	Fort Worth, TX

BREAKAWAY ROPING

Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Hali Williams	\$90,224.46	Comanche, TX
2	Joey Williams	\$44,731.00	Volborg, MT
3	Cheyanne Guillory	\$39,379.37	Kingston, OK
4	Martha Angelone	\$37,264.69	Stephenville, TX
5	Tiffany Schieck	\$33,478.02	Floresville, TX
6	Erin Johnson	\$32,445.17	Fowler, CO
7	Sarah Angelone	\$27,759.23	Lipan, TX
8	Samantha Fulton	\$23,695.60	Miller, SD
9	JJ Hampton	\$22,734.45	Stephenville, TX
10	Sawyer Gilbert	\$22,600.79	Buffalo, SD

SADDLE BRONC RIDING

Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Sage Newman	\$95,381.95	Melstone, MT
2	Stetson Wright	\$90,147.86	Milford, UT
3	Zeke Thurston	\$65,170.18	Big Valley, AB
4	Chase Brooks	\$51,325.53	Deer Lodge, MT
5	Ben Andersen	\$48,067.91	Eckville, AB
6	Ryder Wright	\$42,816.45	Beaver, UT
7	Jacobs Crawley	\$41,902.77	Stephenville, TX
8	Tanner Butner	\$40,791.42	Daniel, WY
9	Kade Bruno	\$39,677.27	Challis, ID
10	Shorty Garrett	\$38,087.31	Eagle Butte, SD

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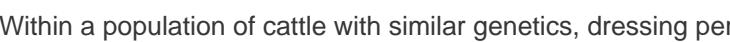
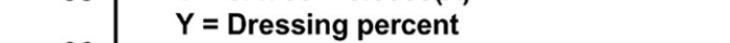
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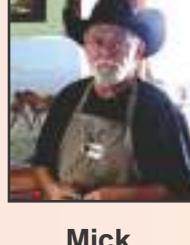


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"Buffalo Chasers"

Oil

This is a somewhat large piece that I felt needed re-painting. A party of Sioux discussing plans for the hunt. This and others can be found on my website.

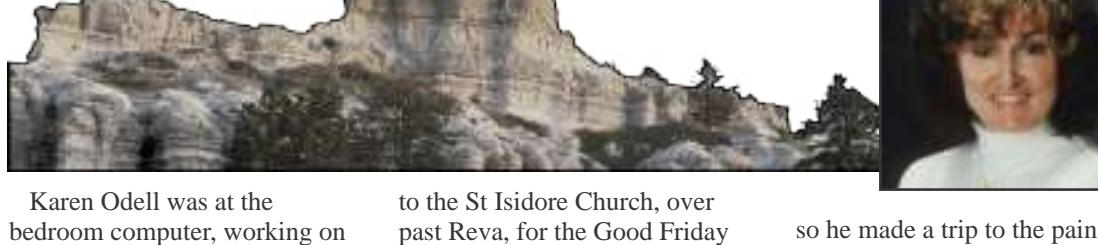


Mick Harrison



Capitol News

By KAREN ODELL



Karen Odell was at the bedroom computer, working on pictures for one of her Sugar Creek Township history books. She had opened the window curtains to see huge snow drifts that still refused to melt on the north of the house. As she resized and enhanced the picture of Herb Bushong, a movement outside made her turn to glance a mountain lion walk past the window. Before she had time to think of saving her outside animals, she thought there was something unusual about that cat. She realized that it had been calico. Then, she remembered that the drift outside the window was still five feet high, and the little calico cat walking past, was not as big as she had seemed. She sort of wishes she had been able to get a picture of a calico mountain lion.

By Sunday. The weather had warmed into the sixties, but the huge drifts are slow to melt, and may take until the Fourth of July to be completely gone, this year.

Lynn Gustafson canceled her doctor's appointment on Tuesday, because of the weather.

On Friday, she did get to town

for some supplies and groceries. A dangerous cart driver in Walmart threatened to run in to her, but she discovered it was really just Dixie Garr, and not a threatening person at all.

On Sunday, Bruce and Lynn went

to church early enough to make

coffee ahead of time, and they

discovered all the people gathered and talking outside. They

joined the crowd, and finally

had to ask why they were not inside. The answer was that the preacher had not yet arrived.

and the day was too beautiful

to be inside, so the large crowd

stayed outside until time for

church. Pete Anderson went to

the Methodist Easter service in

Camp Crook, a little later that day.

Then afterward, he stopped

to get the buffet dinner at the

Over The Edge.

Dick and Erma Albert had

doctor's appointments, on

Monday and Wednesday, but

they canceled them because

of the weather. By Friday, the

weather had improved, and they

went to Bobbie's Easter dinner

for the Senior Citizens. She had

made ham and all the trimmings,

and even made pies for them.

It was a wonderful feast,

but since Friday was still in

the season of Lent, Bobbie had

made some fish for some of the

people. Even those people got

to take home some of the other

food, for the next evening when

Lenten season was over. Dick

and Erma left the Senior Center

early, so that they could get

to the St Isidore Church, over past Reva, for the Good Friday service. The Saturday service at Bison was on the church's web site. They went to St Isidore Church, again, for the Easter service.

Doug Davis went to a dentist's appointment, on Thursday. He stopped to visit Alfreda Davis, while he was in Belle Fourche. On Friday, Jake, Callie, Keaton and Kellan came for the weekend. They helped Doug with a few things that day, and helped the kids color Easter eggs on Saturday night. They went with them to church, at Little Missouri, on Sunday morning. Then, they went to visit Callie's sister, Trent and Sydney Turbiville for Easter dinner.

Alvin, Marlee, Ryan, Tawni, Kymber, Kynlee and Barrett Cordell were at the Methodist Church on Easter Sunday. It was Confirmation day for Kymber and Kynlee. After church the whole family gathered at the Over The Edge for the special Easter dinner.

Dorothy Padden is usually very prompt to plant her potatoes by Easter, but since there are still some deep snow drifts around her house, planting was impossible. On Easter, Dorothy and Dawn went to Kelly and Spring Padden's to have Easter dinner with them. Their work during the week was still calving.

Shirley Melum is glad to have all her paperwork gathered and sorted for the tax consultant. They had a tax appointment on Friday, and got lots of that work done. On Easter, Ernie, Rachel and Tommy came for Easter dinner, and Rachel brought some of the food. They had a nice, warm, sunny day.

Karen Odell is still working on enhancing pictures for books she will publish. She did some painting, measuring, designing, and practiced Easter hymns on piano for Sunday, and violin for fun. Micki and Murphy Hinds have spring break, this week, and they went skiing, one day. Mollie and Kyia Smith have been designing Easter decorations. Jeff and Amanda enjoyed a day out, for Easter. Cody Odell's family got their picture taken, before church in Mitchell. Charlie has been feeding hay and cake to cows.

He checked the new dam at Capitol, and hopes more run-off will eventually fill it. On Tuesday, he canceled his doctor's appointment at Ft. Meade, because of the weather predictions of snow. He made a trip to Camp Crook, on Thursday. On Friday, the weather was better,

so he made a trip to the pain clinic at Ft. Meade. On Easter, Charlie and Karen went to church at the Methodist Church in Camp Crook. It was a special day for Kymber and Kynlee Cordell and Alexis Glines, because they were to be confirmed, and welcomed as new members of the church. Many of their relatives had gathered for the special Easter service, and the church was nearly filled. From the piano, it was great to hear the large group singing the familiar Easter hymns. Pastor Dinsmore gave the uplifting, wonderful Easter sermon. Charlie and Karen noticed that there were cars at the Over The Edge, so they stopped to have the delicious special buffet. They enjoyed having dinner with the Bill Clarkson and Reese Clarkson family. The restaurant was full, and the newly painted walls were beautiful. At home, again, all their kids sent pictures of their dressed-up families, and texted their Easter activities. It was a wonderful sunny, warm day.

This week we send out condolences to the family of Jean Burghduff. She was a good and special friend.

It's true that history repeats itself. Now, it's just happening to different people. Just remember that most worries are old reruns.



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Central Meade County News



By Sandy Rhoden

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 ingenuous 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.

On April 26, the last Soldiers of the Cross will take place and 8th grade graduates will be honored. They are Tance Spring, Hunter Rhoden and Kanin Smith. It is hard to believe these young boys will be in high school next year already.

On April 20 there will be a time to share stories of the Union Center community at the Central Meade County Community Center. PBS (Public Broadcasting Service) is featuring Union Center in a Community Conversation documentary to be shown at a later date. Stories may be shared between 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

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.

The Basics of Seed Starting for Flowers and Vegetables

Have you ever thought about starting your own flowers or vegetables from seeds, but you are not sure where to start? By starting seeds indoors, you will be able to get a jump on the growing season, while saving money on transplants. - Courtesy SDSU Extension Horticulture

Recommended Temperatures				Recommended Dates	
	Seed Germination (°F)	Growing Transplants (°F)	Number of weeks from seed to transplant	Start Seeds Indoors*	Transplant Outside*
Broccoli	70-75	60	4-6	March 9-23	April 20
Cabbage	70-75	60	4-6	March 9-23	April 20
Cauliflower	70-75	60	4-6	March 19-April 3	April 20
Lettuce	60-70	60	4-5	March 16-23	April 20
Onion	60-65	55-60	8-10	Feb. 9-23	April 20
Tomato	65-75	60-65	6-8	April 4-18	May 30
Pepper	65-75	60-65	6-8	April 4-18	May 30
Eggplant	70-75	65-70	6-8	April 4-18	May 30
Squash	70-75	60-70	3-5	May 9-16	May 30
Muskmelon	70-75	65-70	3-5	May 1-15	June 5
Watermelon	70-75	65-70	3-5	May 1-13	June 5
Cucumber	70-75	65-70	3-4	May 9-16	May 30
Pumpkin	70-75	60-70	3-8	May 9-16	May 30

*A seed starting chart with planting dates using Brown County in Northeast South Dakota as an example.

"Building Main Street, not Wall Street"

by John Newby

Building Synergies Key to Success

The positive synergies between a vibrant chamber, a transformative city, and the local media company can result in a transformative impact on the community they serve. Each of these entities has its unique strengths and capabilities, and when combined, they can leverage each other's expertise to promote economic development, enhance civic engagement, and foster a strong sense of community.

The chamber of commerce is a business-oriented organization that promotes the interests of local businesses and provides support for their growth and development. It offers various services to its members, such as networking opportunities, business training, marketing assistance, and advocacy on their behalf. By collaborating with the city and local media company, the chamber can extend its



reach and impact on the business community and the wider population.

The city government, on the other hand, is responsible for providing essential public services such as utilities, transportation, and public safety. It also sets policies and regulations that affect the local economy and community life. By partnering with the chamber and local media company, the city can gain valuable insights into the needs and aspirations of its residents and businesses. It can also leverage the media's reach and influence to communicate its vision, programs, and initiatives to a broader audience.

The local media company serves as the eyes and ears of the community, providing news, information, and entertainment to its readers, viewers, and listeners. It has the power to shape public opinion, influence

consumer behavior, and inspire civic action. By collaborating with the chamber and city, the media company can enhance its role as a community watchdog and advocate, highlighting local issues, events, and opportunities. It can also provide valuable promotional and advertising support to local businesses, boosting their visibility and sales.

One of the most significant benefits of this synergy is the promotion of economic development. By working together, they can create a positive business environment that attracts new investments, entrepreneurs, and talent to the community. The chamber can provide business training and mentoring to new and existing businesses, while the city can offer tax incentives, infrastructure improvements, and streamlined regulatory processes. The media company can promote the community's strengths, such as its natural beauty, cultural attractions, and quality of life, to a broader audience, creating a buzz that attracts visitors and investors alike.

Another crucial benefit of this synergy is the enhancement of civic engagement. By collaborating, the chamber, city, and media company can create opportunities for residents to get involved in community affairs, express their opinions, and participate in decision-making. The chamber can organize public forums, focus groups, and surveys to gather feedback from the business community and share it with the city. The city can use this input to develop policies and programs that reflect the community's needs and aspirations. The media company can provide comprehensive coverage of local issues and events, encouraging residents to become informed and active citizens.

To sum it up, the synergy between a chamber, city, and local media company can truly transform a community in so many ways. By promoting economic development, enhancing civic engagement, and fostering a strong sense of community, these entities can create a virtuous cycle of growth and prosperity that benefits everyone. They can leverage their unique strengths and capabilities to address the community's challenges and seize its opportunities, creating a brighter future for all.

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Garman Receives Daisy Award

SPEARFISH, S.D. (April 6, 2023) – Nicole Garman, a Registered Nurse at Monument Health Spearfish Hospital, has received the prestigious DAISY Award. A national program, the award is presented to nurses who go above and beyond for their patients and community. She was nominated by a patient's spouse.

The patient was induced at the hospital and gave birth to a happy and healthy baby boy. The spouse wrote, "The induction was not easy on my wife and when the shift change came that night for the nurses, it was time for my wife to deliver our baby."

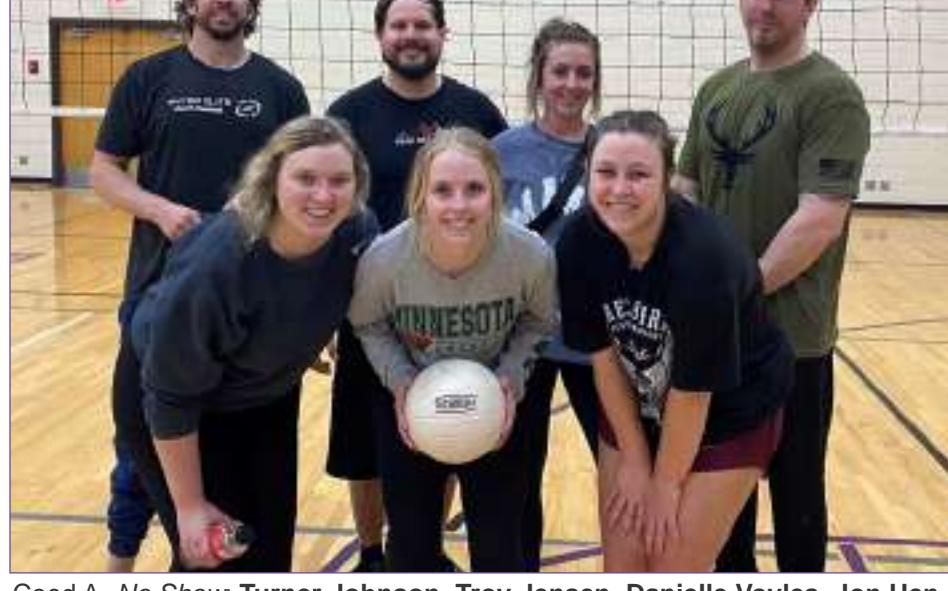
Nicole, who helped guide my wife through labor throughout the entire day, stayed until the delivery was over. This was an extra hour and a half out of her already long day. My wife was comfortable and familiar with Nicole, having spent the entire day with her during a very uncomfortable time."

The nomination continued, "I truly believe that Nicole being there provided her with an extra level of comfort and confidence that she needed. Nicole was also our day nurse for the next two days of our stay and provided us with phenomenal care as well as tips and tricks on everything we needed to know to be more confident as first-time parents."

The DAISY Award recognizes the outstanding professionalism and compassion that nurses bring to patients and families every day. It was established by the DAISY Foundation in California in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, who died at age 33 of an autoimmune disease. DAISY is an acronym for "diseases attacking the immune system." Nurses in Rapid City are selected 12 times a year for this recognition. Nurses are also honored in Custer, Lead-Deadwood, Spearfish and Sturgis. Visit monument.health/daisy to nominate.



Nicole Garman



Coed A - No Show: Turner Johnson, Troy Jensen, Danielle Voyles, Jon Henderson, Cheyenne McTaggart, Lauren Albrecht, Kayla Nelson, not pictured Abby Johnson. Courtesy Photo



Women's A - I'd Hit That: Roxanne Hartl, Calli Davis, Chrissy Montgomery, Rachel Adams, Jamie Burke, not pictured: Brianne Fox and Stacia Lunders. Courtesy Photo

SCHOOL LAND LEASE AUCTION

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.sdpublclands.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.

BFRC Adult Volleyball League Champions



Women's B- Gnarly Girls: Angela Reich, Billi Seidel, Mac Westland, Tiffany James, Jinny Cretti, Megan Vetter. Courtesy Photo



Coed B- Cobra Kai: Trey Clarkson, Steph Kunkel, Kyle Parks, Kim Terrill, Brittney Clarkson, Anthony Bradley, not pictured Sabra Tompkins and Chamberlyn Bridge. Courtesy Photo



Women's A - I'd Hit That: Roxanne Hartl, Calli Davis, Chrissy Montgomery, Rachel Adams, Jamie Burke, not pictured: Brianne Fox and Stacia Lunders. Courtesy Photo

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Looking Back in Belle

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122 years ago

Belle Fourche TIMES

April 10, 1897

Current Comment

W. C. and Abe Jones were in the city Monday. John L Sullivan has put up a \$1,000 forfeit to fight Fitzsimmons. The bridge outfit completed their work of remodeling the bridge, and left Thursday. W. B. Clanton, of Macy, was in Monday. He reports stock about the same as others from that vicinity. Lots of snow, but little is known of the real loss. Frank Durst is back in our city again. There is too much snow at Ragged Top for work. In the shaft he was putting down, he says the indications were very good, and will assay high. The Wide Awake people have been kept on the hop during the week, notwithstanding the bad roads, and snow. The amount of groceries sold each season by these people is enormous.

Messers. King and Orem have put in a flat boat near the old wagon bridge, and are ready to accommodate all travelers who are passing that way. The boat was constructed more particularly for the benefit of the stage line, but it is at the service of all. Frank Gayden will drive the Camp Crook stage line after the 16th. George Etter, who has hold down the job for several months will go on the range again. Mr. Etter has made a faithful and courteous driver and Mr. King is sorry to give him up.

100 years ago
Northwest Post
April 12, 1923

What Is Bentonite?

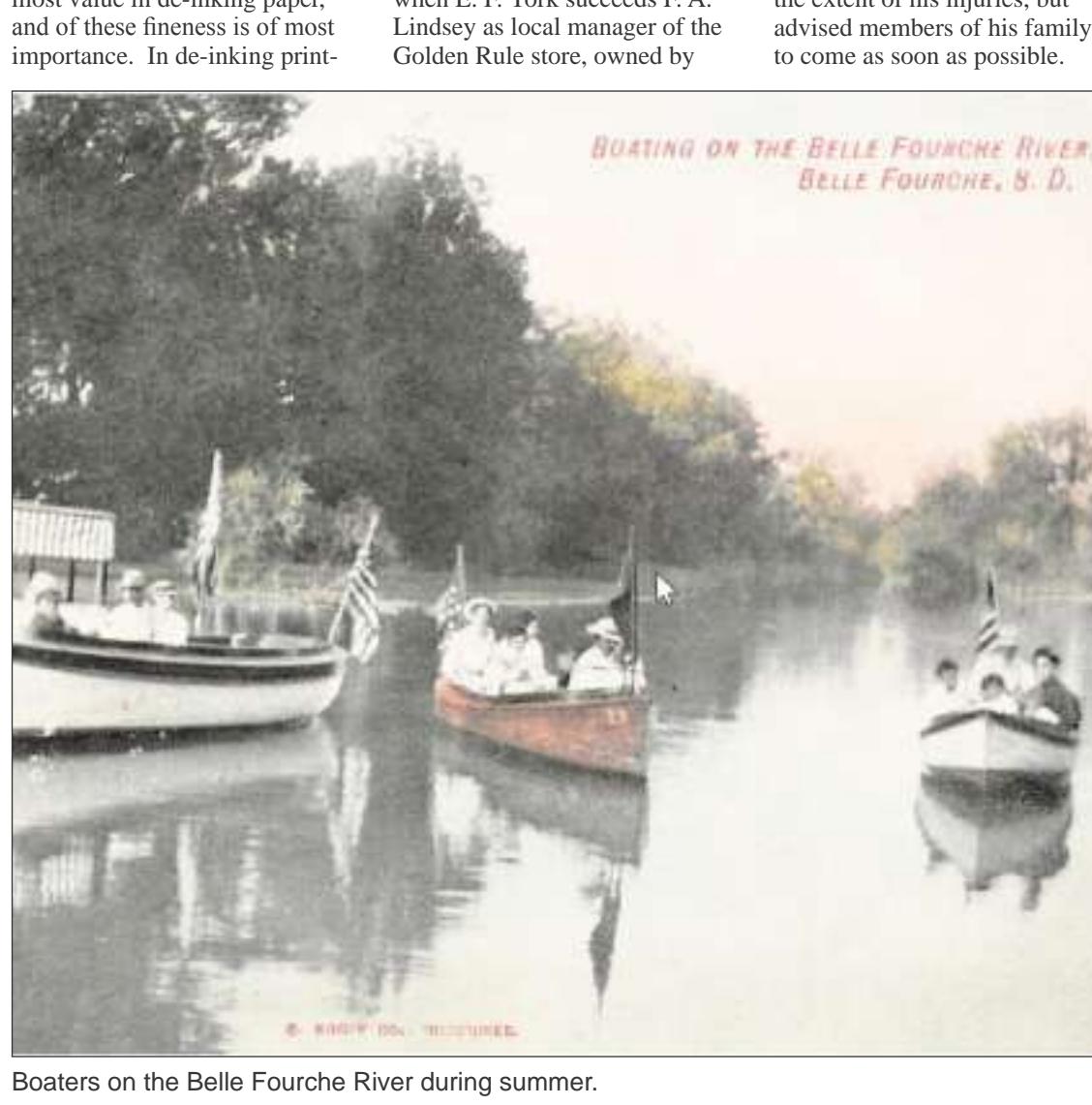
Mr. Sidney D. Wells, engineer in forest products of the U.S. Forest Product Laboratory, Madison, Wis., says among other things in an article to a New York paper that: "Bentonite is defined by the United States Geological Survey as a transported, stratified, volcanic ash that has been altered shortly after deposition. It is very fine grained and has the property of swelling in contact with water to several times its original volume into a jellylike mass which on further dilution will remain in suspension indefinitely as dilute as one part to fifty. Samples freshly taken from the quarries are of a greenish-yellow color, but on exposure to the air becomes light cream. It is a mineral akin to kaolin, though yielding on analysis more silica, less alumina and more magnesia and has been found an excellent filler for paper. Its physical properties, however, that render it of most value in de-inking paper, and of these fineness is of most importance. In de-inking print-

ed paper, and especially news paper, it is comparatively easy to loosen the carbon black by using as little as forty pounds of sodium carbonate per ton and temperatures as low as 120 degrees. Such treatment will not injure ground wood pulp, and if the carbon black could be completely washed out after liberation, a satisfactory material would be obtained. Unfortunately the fibers of the paper stock serve as a very effective filter enmeshing the particles of carbon, and there are no means of washing in common use that will permit their complete removal without excessive losses of pulp or expenditures of time, power and water that are prohibitive. In fact, a point seems to be reached beyond which it is impossible to remove the remaining traces of ink. With bentonite, however, we have a substance which will pass through ordinary filters and with its enormous surface, on account of the extreme fineness of its particles, will carry the carbon black along with it. The Commercial West, of Minneapolis, Minn., quotes Prof. N.C. Pitcher, of the University of Alberta, as saying that: "Bentonite is a species of talc, commonly called soap-stone. It is a hard rock-like substance, expands when exposed to water. Its principal uses is in making paper. It is added to the pulp to produce a white, opaque finish to the paper. The mineral can be used commercially as a filling for cotton cloth, as a vase for soap and toilet preparations and in the manufacture of rubber goods. It is resistive to the action of most chemicals,

is a non-conductor of heat and cold and is valuable in scientific experimentation.

New Manager at Golden Rule

A business change will take place the later part of this week, when E. F. York succeeds F. A. Lindsey as local manager of the Golden Rule store, owned by



Boaters on the Belle Fourche River during summer.



by Mary Buchholz

E. F. York, Sr., well-known Belle Fourche merchant, was injured yesterday in an auto accident near Hannibal, Mo., it was learned here yesterday in a wire to relatives. The wire did not indicate the extent of York's injuries, but said he was in the St. Elizabeth hospital at Hannibal and still was unconscious at the time the wire was filed. York's son, E. F. York, Jr. left yesterday by plane to be with his father. The older York was en route home from winter vacation in the south when the accident occurred between St. Louis and Hannibal. York has stayed in St. Louis overnight, had left there Thursday morning. The Belle Fourche

75 years ago
The Belle Fourche Daily Post
April 11, 1947

E. F. York, Sr. Hurt in Auto Accident

E. F. York, Sr., well-known Belle Fourche merchant, was injured yesterday in an auto accident near Hannibal, Mo., it was learned here yesterday in a wire to relatives. The wire did not indicate the extent of York's injuries, but said he was in the St. Elizabeth hospital at Hannibal and still was unconscious at the time the wire was filed. York's son, E. F. York, Jr. left yesterday by plane to be with his father. The older York was en route home from winter vacation in the south when the accident occurred between St. Louis and Hannibal. York has stayed in St. Louis overnight, had left there Thursday morning. The Belle Fourche



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Bisgaard Opens Store at Nisland

Opening Saturday of the Bisgaard hardware store at Nisland under the ownership and management of George Bisgaard, was announced here yesterday. Bisgaard, who is well-known in the Nisland area, having lived there all his life, is an ex-serviceman, a veteran of army duty. His new establishment will be located in the old bank building and will handle a general line of hardware. He is offering free coffee and doughnuts to visitors on the opening day.

50 years ago

The Belle Fourche Daily Post

April 7, 1973

Washington Building Lay Committee Is Selected

A 15-member lay committee was named yesterday by the Washington Building Committee to assist in planning the course of action which the school district will take to replace the deteriorating rooms in the Washington building. Named to the lay committee were: Sterling Clark, Bob Steen, Vin Geis, Earl Norlin, A. H. Mortenson, Laurence Bentz, Cliff Thomas, Asa Queen,

Mrs. Paul (Helen) Leitner, Ervin Kirksey, Marion Hespé, Mrs. Herbert (Dottie) Clarkson, Glenn Riley, Mrs. David (Orlene) Heinbaugh, Glen Helmer. Fred Carlson, chairman of the Washington Building Committee, said an effort was made to select a cross section of residents of the district on a geographic and economic basis.

"We were particularly pleased," said Carlson, "that not a single person turned down our invitation that they become a member of the committee." Carlson said the committee will be briefed on what has been done and will then be called upon to offer ideas on and be a part of a future course of action.

Nickelson to All-State Squad

Larry Nickelson, Belle Fourche High School senior, was selected as a member of the 1973 South Dakota class A all-state basketball team by the South Dakota Sprotswriters Association, it was announced Thursday. Nickelson thus becomes the third member of the family to be named to the all-state squad. Brothers Dale and Rich were also all-staters.

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Belle Fourche Resident Selected for Rural POWER Program



Sixteen members of 2023 Sutton Leadership Institute Class with Billie and Kelsea Sutton. The new class met for a training seminar the first weekend in April in Oacoma to kick off the year-long leadership development program. Middle row, second from left is Belle Fourche resident **Sentel Schreier**. Courtesy Photo

BURKE, SD. After launching the fifth year of the program, Billie Sutton, a former state senator, 2018 candidate for governor of South Dakota, and founder of the Sutton Leadership Institute said, "Year after year I'm impressed by the talent and passion of the leaders who come to this program with a focus on making our state a better place."

South Dakota and all of its towns and cities are stronger because of their contributions to their community. We're proud to be investing in these leaders' potential and supporting their efforts across the state."

Members of the 2023 class of the Billie Sutton Leadership Institute include: Adam Jorgensen, Sioux Falls, Sutton

Leaders; Angie Cleberg, Aberdeen, Sutton Leaders; Bobbi Jo Horsted, Sioux Falls, Rural POWER; Brendyn Richards, Vermillion, Rural POWER; Carmen Garcia Pacheco, Tabor, Rural POWER; Courtney Sully, Wagner, Rural POWER; Elaine Yellow Horse, Rapid City, Sutton Leaders; Jake Danielson, Sioux Falls, Sutton Leaders; Jessica Murano, Brookings, Rural POWER; Karin Eagle, Rapid City, Sutton Leaders; Kendra Gottsleben, Sioux Falls, Sutton Leaders; Lesley Atkins, Gregory, Rural POWER; Lindsey Peterson, Sioux Falls, Sutton Leaders; Sara Burtis, Sioux Falls, Sutton Leaders; Sentel Schreier, Belle Fourche, Rural POWER; Serene Thin Elk, Sioux Falls, Sutton Leaders

The non-partisan, 501(c)(3) nonprofit Billie Sutton Leadership Institute is dedicated to inspiring and preparing the next generation of leaders to build a stronger South Dakota and more vibrant communities and workplaces through service to others.

Sutton Leaders is the Institute's original program, now in its fifth year, focused on leadership development, community engagement, and public service across South Dakota.

Rural POWER, now in its third year, seeks to grow a new generation of rural leaders and encourage involvement in local rural cooperatives providing essential services to South Dakota communities.

Negative GDP growth a red flag for South Dakota

Jonathan Ellis

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State's budget chief argues it's just one indicator that will get revised with better data

South Dakota saw a decrease in gross domestic product in the final quarter of 2022, the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis reported, raising a red flag on the state's underlying economic health.

The 4.3 percent decrease in GDP was the worst performance of any state in the country. Just three states registered decreases in GDP, but South Dakota saw the steepest decline.

Nebraska and Iowa also registered decreases in GDP.

Jim Terwilliger, the commissioner of the South Dakota Bureau of Finance and Management, cautioned against giving one quarter of data from a single economic indicator too much weight. He predicted that the preliminary number released by BEA would be revised in coming months as more data become available.

"In September, these estimates from 2022 (including this 4th quarter figure) will all get revised and will likely tell an entirely different story," he said in an email to The Dakota Scout.

The Bureau of Economic Analysis blamed GDP decreases in South Dakota, Iowa and Nebraska on the agriculture industry. The industry was the leading contributor to GDP decreases those states.

Gross domestic product is a measurement of the value of goods and services produced in a geographic entity.

Forty-six other states saw increases in GDP.

Jeff Newman with the Bureau of Economic Analysis said a major contributor to South Dakota's negative GDP estimate was a reduction in farm proprietor's income. That was down in quarter four to \$3.65 billion from \$4.04 billion in the third quarter.

"The earnings estimates, which are used as an input in the calculation of personal income, are a major input in the derivation of our GDP by state estimates," Newman said in an email.

The latest numbers come on the heels of a legislative session in which lawmakers debated whether to cut taxes. Some lawmakers resisted a tax decrease that was too deep or too permanent, fearing a softer economy approaching. The Legislature ultimately passed a temporary decrease in the state's overall tax rate of 4.5 percent to 4.2.

percent that expires in 2027.

Terwilliger said that crop production estimates for 2022 were lower than in 2021 because of drought. Corn production was down 10 percent from 2021 and soybeans 11 percent. That would have been a drag on the state's GDP.

Rather than focus on one quarter of GDP, Terwilliger said state officials have focused on several indicators over several years.

From 2018-2022, the state had the fourth highest rate of growth in total personal income, he said. The state's population grew by 4 percent over the same time period, real GDP grew by 7.6 percent and South Dakota is tied with North Dakota for the lowest unemployment rate in the country.

"Rather than using a short-term phenomenon, such as a dry year in the ag sector, to describe the state of SD's economy, one must look at the bigger picture," Terwilliger said. "The bigger picture, looking across many different indicators and a longer period of time, shows that South Dakota's economic performance is very strong, that our economy didn't shut down during the pandemic and that other states are trying to catch up to where SD has been all along, which is near the top."

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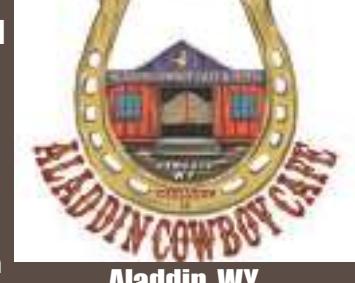
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550-650#	70 blk hfrs, 625#	Mecaha Cattle Co-SD
BV, NI, NHK, hay fed	PC, NI, HR, BV, poured	20 blk hfrs, 625#
Arcadia LLC & Henry	Ketelsen & Beup-SD	PC, NI, HR, BV, poured
Bruch-SD	50 blk hfrs, 700#, PC, NI, BV, HR,	Cliff Connry-SD
150 blk hfrs, 500#	poured, hay fed, repro shots	15 blk hfrs, 675#
PC, NI, hay fed	45 blk hfrs	PC, NI, BV, no brands, AI sired
Jensen Ranch-SD	550-650#, PC, NI	by magnitude & Blair Bros bulls
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525-550#	45 red mostly hfrs, 775#	Al Garr-SD
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525#, PC, NI, poured	1000#, PC, NI	Brett Delapp-WY
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	PC, NI, BV, NHK, poured	2 yearling hfrs

Excerpts from Dakota Scout

Minnehaha County property owners and others in the state might want to brace for some future tax increases as federal stimulus funds begin to dry up.

South Dakota's largest county saw about \$6 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds filter into its coffers following its passage in Congress in March 2021. A panel of financial experts, though, is warning that the stream of federal dollars is gone and a need for additional opt-outs is fast approaching if the county is going to keep pace with the added demands that come with population growth.

"(ARPA) helped the taxpayers of Minnehaha County. Those items were items that needed to be funded. And with that gone, that funding needs to be made up, it needs to be replaced," said Robert Thimjon, chairman of the county's Financial Action Network (FAN), a panel of business, accounting and finance experts that spent the winter studying Minnehaha County expenses, revenues and future needs.

The ARPA dollars, as well as other stimulus received by the county since the spring of 2020, have helped offset some ongoing budgetary expenses during that time. It's also helped the county stave off the need to again opt-out of its statutorily-capped property tax levy mill limit.

And with 88 percent of the

county's yearly expenses considered statutorily obligated services, and few avenues to generate additional revenues, Thimjon said the county has few realistic options other than more opt-outs.

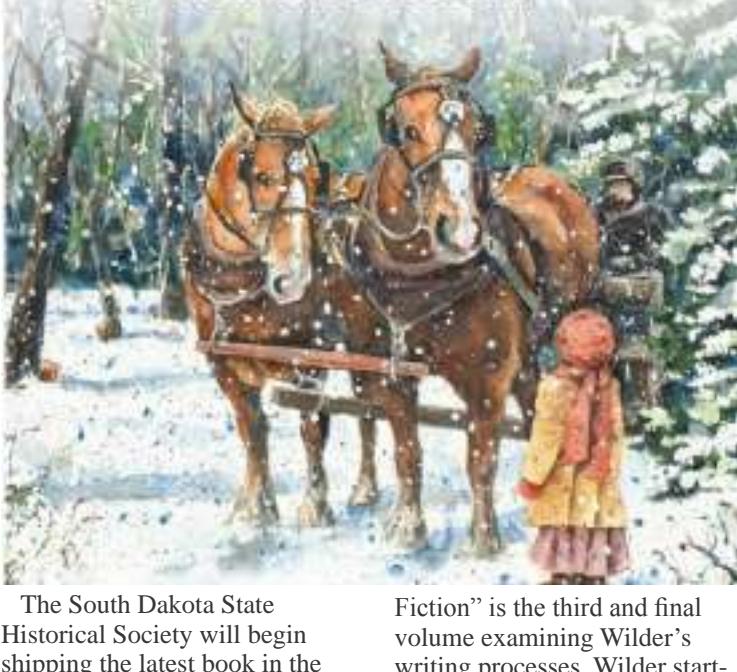
"The services are required. You can't cut back and say 'no we're not going to do this,'" he said, while pitching PAN's recommendations to the Minnehaha County Commissioners Tuesday morning.

Minnehaha County right now has seven opt-outs on the books dating back to the year 2000 totaling \$16.1 million. While two are permanent and have no established date of expiration, the other five are set to come to term between 2025 and 2044.

The county is entitled to another \$17.5 million in additional opt-outs — barring a rejection from the voters, should one adopted by the Commission be referred.

Thimjon said that rising inflation, coupled with increasing public safety needs, led PAN to recommend the county pro-actively adopt opt-outs to "protect against any future shortfalls" and create stability in year-to-year operations.

"We'd recommend the county should develop an opt-out strategy to pursue the passage of additional opt-out while current opt-out funds are available," he said. "Not to wait until we've used the last dollar."



The South Dakota State Historical Society will begin shipping the latest book in the Laura Ingalls Wilder "Pioneer Girl" series on May 30.

"Pioneer Girl: The Path into

Fiction" is the third and final volume examining Wilder's writing processes. Wilder started with an autobiography, "Pioneer Girl," but by the end of the writing, editing and publishing

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process, the autobiography had been distilled into "Little House in the Big Woods," the first of the wildly successful "Little House" books that became a literary sensation. Much of the transformation from autobiography to children's book came through the editing of her daughter, Rose Wilder Lane, herself a skilled writer, journalist and noted political theorist.

Wilder's autobiography failed to attract a publisher. Lane recast her mother's life as a young girl in Wisconsin into a picture book. A New York publisher was interested but wanted 15,000 words to accompany the book. Wilder then set out to write drafts focusing on the material from Wisconsin, which Lane edited. Thus became "Little House in the Big Woods."

"When Laura Ingalls Wilder wrote her autobiography, 'Pioneer Girl,' she had no idea that children across the United States would read and fall in love with Laura Ingalls and her family just two years later," the Historical Society said in a release. "Pioneer Girl: The Path into Fiction" can be preordered at sdhspress.com.

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The South Dakota Department of Transportation (SD-DOT) says asphalt crack sealing will begin on various routes in northwest South Dakota beginning this week.

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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.

U.S. Highway 212 – Project will begin in Maurine and end in Faith.

S.D. Highway 34 – Project will begin in Belle Fourche and end in Whitewood. This project will begin upon the completion of a separate project that is currently in progress to add turning and passing lanes to Highway 34.

Traffic will be reduced to one lane and guided through the project with the use of flaggers and a pilot car. Delays of up to 15 minutes can be expected while traveling through the work area during daytime hours.

The prime contractor on the \$285,000 project is Highway Improvement Inc. from Sioux Falls, SD.

Also, the South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT), in collaboration with the South Dakota Department of Tourism and Stantec Consulting, has rescheduled the I-90 welcome center open house public meeting for Thursday, April 27, 2023.

The rescheduled meeting will be held at Spearfish City Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. A short presentation will be provided at 5:45 p.m.

The Department of Tourism and SDDOT have been working together to revitalize South Dakota's existing Interstate rest areas and welcome centers for the traveling public.

The existing Spearfish rest area located along Interstate 90 (eastbound) near the Wyoming and South Dakota border has been identified by the State as needing to be reconstructed.

This provides an opportunity to review the existing location, as well as the nearby corridor, for a location that best serves the

Roads D2

The Hunt is On!



And they're off... running and scooping up plastic eggs containing candy, during the annual Newell Community Club sponsored hunt on Saturday, April 8. - Brunner photo

Annual Newell Community Club Easter Egg Hunt

Colleen Brunner
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NEWELL – Once again the Newell Community Club has provided an awesome Easter Egg Hunt, complete with Easter Bunny for the children of the NVN area. And it took seven minutes from start to finish for the 500+ eggs to be collected. The event, held at the school as usual, began at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 8.

It's uncertain just how many children attended this year, but numbers were down, based on the groups that were led to different parts of the Newell school football field by volunteers. This year four club members were responsible for organizing, hiding eggs, collecting the plastic eggs once they were snagged and putting them away for one more year. It is not known how many people were involved in filling all those eggs, but the kids sure had fun, even though the day was foggy and cool.

Just as the group was finishing the sun broke through and things started to warm up. Those four volunteers took until 10:45 to clean mud off some of the eggs, sort them for size and package them up, after handing out a prize to each child who wanted one and came to Danelle Mutchler to collect it from the back of her vehicle.

The Newell Community Club hosts many activities in the

NVN area, the egg hunt is just one.

"We really could use some more volunteers," said one of those who took the time to help with this activity. "It seems to fall on the shoulders of just a handful of people."

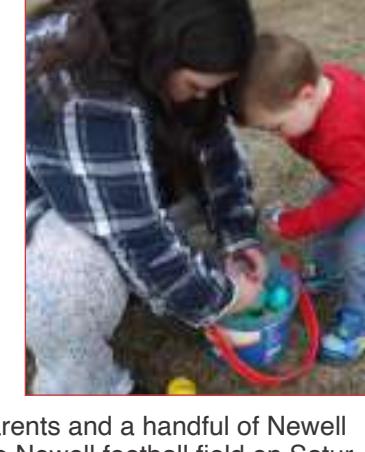
If you would like to volunteer your time, even participating in just one of the events it would be a big help, according to the members who gathered today. They hold a monthly meeting the first Monday of each month at the Butte Electric hospitality

room at 6 p.m. They'd love for you to join them.

You can also contact Karen Jensen, Danelle Mutchler, Deana Lindsey or Colleen Schreiner for more information.



It took just seven minutes to go from this (left) to this (right). The kids participating in the Newell Community Club annual Easter egg hunt ended up working like human vacuum cleaners. now, if we could only get them to clean their rooms with the same efficiency! :) - Brunner photos



(Left) The Easter Bunny was surrounded by little people, their parents and a handful of Newell Community Club volunteers for the annual Easter egg hunt at the Newell football field on Saturday. (Right) Matthew Harkins and his mom, Michelle, empty the plastic eggs, in preparation for the community club to recycle them next year. - Brunner photos

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Lunch: Pizza Crunchers, Corn, Peaches, FF, Milk

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TUESDAY, APR 18

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Lunch: Loaded Baked Potato, Broccoli, FF, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk

WEDNESDAY, APR 19

Hero Day!

Breakfast: Biscuits & Gravy, Cereal, FF, Juice, Milk

Lunch: BBQ Beef Sandwiches, Tater Tots, FF, Pears, Milk

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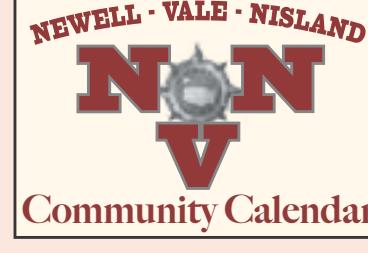
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needs of South Dakota visitors and residents. Along with the existing rest area location near the SD/WY border, locations north of Exit 10 off of US85 as well as northwest of Exit 17 have been identified for further consideration.

The purpose of this open house public meeting is to provide project information, answer questions, and collect public feedback on proposed locations. Area residents, business owners, and daily commuters are encouraged to participate in this public meeting. The opportunity to present written comments will be provided. Comments on the public meeting will be accepted until Thursday, May 11, 2023.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this open house is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable accommodation to participate in the open house should submit a request to the department's ADA Coordinator at 605-773-3540 or 1-800-877-1113 (Telecommunication Relay Services for the Deaf). Please request the accommodations no later than two business days prior to the meeting to ensure accommodations are available.

For those who cannot attend the open house or desire additional information on the overall study, presentation materials are also available on the study website at www.SpearfishRestAreaStudy.com.



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

Apr. 13: MS Dance, Student council meeting.

Apr. 14: MSTR-Belle Fourche 9 a.m.; Golf-Elks, 9:30 a.m.

Apr. 15: MSTR-Lemmon, 10 a.m.

Apr. 15: FREE Cowboy Way community dinner at Nisland Ind. Com. Church, 402 Olin, Nisland 6 p.m. The Wildflowers will be performing country 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 spe-

cial activities. FREE but please RSVP to the school at 605-456-0102.

Apr. 18: State FFA-Brookings

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. 20: HSTR-Wall, 89 a.m.; HSTR-Custer, 9 a.m.

Apr. 21: HSTR-Wall, 8:00 a.m.; HS Golf, 9 a.m. at Philip; MSTR-Leade 9:30 a.m.; Golf-Philip, 9:30 a.m.

Apr. 22: Golf-Wall, 9:30 a.m.; HSTR-Dakota Bank @ Lemmon, 10 a.m.

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

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Photos by Colleen Brunner



(Left) Eleanor Schwede, held by her father Clint, was all dressed up like the Easter bunny for the annual hunt, her first. (Center) Josiah Decker was content to eat a piece of candy and not hunt for further eggs after he snagged a couple. (Right) Caislee and Huntlee Heath made a haul at the annual egg hunt on the Newell school football field. Sugar high!

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Applications for my U.S. Service Academy nomination consideration opened this week for the Class of 2028.

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National Liberal Arts Colleges, while the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy is ranked third in Regional Colleges North. In addition to six to seven hours per day of traditional educational learning, the cadets and midshipmen participate in military training, sports, and extracurricular activities. The education and training provided at a service academy is top tier. And it is fully funded – in return for mandatory service upon commissioning.

I've been able to meet and nominate some of South Dakota's best students for the Academies and I am looking forward to nominating more for the next class.

Who is eligible to attend an academy? An unmarried U.S.

citizen with no dependents, between the ages of 17-23, and of good moral character.

Each Member of Congress has the honor and privilege of nominating students to four of the five Academies: the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, NY; the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD; the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO; and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, NY.

If you know someone who would be a great fit or could be interested in attending, direct them to learn more information and complete the application on my website at <https://dusty-johnson.house.gov/services/service-academy-nominations>

From the Dakota Scout

Jonathan Ellis

The Dakota Scout

South Dakota wasn't the only state to cut its overall sales tax rate this year. New Mexico lawmakers did as well.

But the two states were unusual when it comes to tax policy, reports Pluribus News.

In the past decade, only five states have lowered their overall tax rate, according to the Tax Foundation.

Across-the-board cuts are typically less popular for politicians than reductions that target specific categories. But as more and more exemptions are added, sales tax revenues become weaker, and state governments typically increase the tax rate rather than decrease the rate.

Gov. Kristi Noem pursued an exemption with her bid to end the state sales tax on groceries. South Dakota lawmakers resisted shrinking the tax base, arguing that eliminating the tax on groceries would require increases on everything else.

Both New Mexico and South Dakota have broader sales tax bases than the national average. Sixty-six percent of New Mexico's household spending is taxable, as is 47 percent of South Dakota's. The national average is 34 percent.

With the lifting of pandemic-era restrictions and regulations, many remote workers started moving from their couches and home offices to working from beaches and other destinations. They often brought

their work out of state, and even to other countries.

But that could bring big headaches for their employers, warns HR Magazine.

Tax laws among U.S. states and local governments vary, with some jurisdictions giving workers up to 30 days to work without being subject to tax withholding requirements, while others require withholding after only a few days. That means employers who don't know where their employees are working from could face penalties.

"What's the state going to do? Is it easier for them to go after 10,000 or 40,000 or 50,000 employees, or is it easier for them to go after the employer that is

TAXES C4

Betty Olson

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James McKay came McKey up from Rapid City Monday afternoon to hook up our television to Dish to replace Direct TV. We had a good visit while he was working and when he finished at about 6:00 he asked me to pray for him to get home safe because it had started snowing hard in Rapid City about 3:00 that afternoon!

There wasn't any school in Buffalo on Tuesday because of the blizzard warning that was out, but it just snowed a little here with no blizzard so they had school on Wednesday.

Reub and I went to Hettinger Wednesday afternoon to get stuff from the drug store and Runnings and we stopped in Reeder on the way home to have coffee with the Prairie Pioneers.

Our well was having problems and kept breaking the breaker most of the day on Thursday until the well finally quit, leaving us out of water. Casey went and switched us over to the other well so we could get water here at all three houses.

It was a beautiful day on Good Friday and since we had water again I was able to wash

clothes and hang them out on the clothesline to dry. Robert Knutson came down to fix the well that afternoon. Reub and I went up to Lemmon for Tony Holt's family service at Evanson-Jensen Funeral home. Bill Holt gave a little talk about his father and just about everyone there had some good stories to share about Tony and most of them were really funny given Tony's great sense of humor.

My father, Bryce White, and Tony were good friends growing up around Hettinger and Tony told me a story about what Dad did for Tony and his siblings. Tony and his family lived south of Hettinger and when the kids walked to town they had to walk by a place with a really mean dog that would come out to bite them! Tony told Dad about it, so Dad tied a gunny sack to the tire on his car and slowly drove past the mean dog until the dog jumped over and bit into the gunny sack. With the dog hooked to the gunny sack, Dad

sped up and dragged the mean dog to death, saving the kids from getting bitten again!

Tony's funeral was at Slim Buttes Free Lutheran Church Saturday afternoon with a huge crowd of friends and family attending. Pastor Henry Mohagen gave the service and Tony's grandsons and step-grandsons were the casket bearers. Linda Mohagen and Laura Johnson had the special music and Teddi Carlson was the pianist. We had lunch after the funeral and then they had the burial at the Holt family Ranch Cemetery west of Ralph at 4:00 that afternoon. Our granddaughters, Bryce Hespe, and Lanie and Matt Klug and their kids all came to the funeral but they were going to the other side of their families for Easter.

Easter Sunday was another beautiful day with the temperature at 66 degrees just like it was on Saturday. The Easter sunrise service was at 7:00 in the morning, with a large crowd of people that stayed to eat



Grand River Roundup

breakfast cooked by the men after the service. Missy and Casey had Trig, Taz and Amanda and the kids, and Reub and me over for a delicious Easter dinner at their house.

I'll leave you with these Easter Bunny jokes:

*How does the Easter Bunny stay fit?

Egg-ercise!

*What happened to the Easter Bunny when he misbehaved at school?

He was eggspelled!

*What does the Easter Bunny get for making a basket?

Two points, just like anyone else.

*Why did the Easter Bunny cross the road?

Because the chicken had his eggs!

*Why shouldn't you tell an Easter Egg a joke?

Because it might crack up!

*What do you get if you cross a bee and a bunny?

A honey bunny!

*How does the Easter Bunny keep his fur in place?

With hare spray!

*What do you call a forgetful rabbit?

A hare-brain!

*What happened when the

Easter Bunny met the rabbit of his dreams?

They lived happily ever after

*What did the rabbit say to the carrot?

It's been nice gnawing you!

*What kind of bunny can't hop?

A chocolate one!

*How do you know that carrots are good for your eyes?

Have you ever seen a rabbit wearing glasses?

*What did the Easter bunny say about the Easter parade?

It was eggs-cellent

*What kind of jewelry does the Easter Bunny wear?

18 carrot gold!

*How can you tell which rabbits are the oldest in a group?

Just look for the gray hares.

*Why can't a bunny's nose be 12 inches long?

Because then it would be a foot

*Why was the Easter Bunny so upset?

Because he was having a bad hare day!

*Why did the Easter Bunny have to fire the duck?

He kept quacking the eggs.

*What is the Easter Bunny's favorite dance?

The bunny hop!

*How does a rabbit throw a tantrum?

He gets hopping mad.

*How many Easter eggs can you put in an empty basket?

Only one – after that it's not empty anymore!

*What Do You Call A Sleepy Easter Egg?

Egg-zisted!

Grand River - C. Begeman photo

Then and Now in Newell

"Looking Forward to our Past"

by Linda Velder

April 3, 1913

The people of Sulphur and Ball are trying very hard to secure rural mail service, from Moreau to Sulphur and seems to be but little opposition to this change in mail service. Should this change be effected the possibilities are that the Post Offices of Sampont, Oens, and Inland will be discontinued.

Upward of 100 were present Monday evening at the social given by the local lodge of Modern Woodmen. The big feature of the evening was the refreshments served handily by the men who were properly attired for the occasion and handed out hard boiled eggs, doughnuts and coffee. Card playing occupied the greater part of the evening, the prizes going to; Higgs Mrs. Oleson and Mrs. McGinley and Lows Alexei Smith and Willis Mossman. There was a good sized delegation from Deadwood, Central City and other outlaying towns who seized the opportunity to spend the evening with members of their Order.

A gorge of ice formed in Horse Creek Tuesday at the

railroad bridge and it looked for awhile as though it would take the bridge out. A crew gathered and by dynamiting, the gorge was finally broken.

April 5, 1923

Col J.M. Tripp and Col Al Erskins, who cried the Duroc sale here last Saturday, in Newell, announced that they intend to spend the next 30 days in this territory, engaged in promotion of the purebred hog industry. H.L. Smith, banker from Red Owl, was among the visitors in Newell Saturday. He couldn't resist the temptation; he encountered at the sale and as a result took home with him a couple of choice red pigs. Others in attendance were George B. Ross and Jake Snyder of Nisland who also attended the Duroc banquet that night.

A basket social is scheduled at the Dry Creek School house, north of town Friday, April 6. A short entertainment program by the pupils has been prepared under direction of Mrs. Franklin, the teacher.

Last Sunday evening about 9 o'clock an automobile drove

up to L.W. Hamblin's chicken house, just outside Nisland.

Mr. Hamblin saw the thieves doing their work and was going to take a shot at them, but the thieves being between him and his residence, where his family is living, he thought it best not to shoot. Thieves around here are getting pretty bold.

It has been necessary to postpone until fall the play which the Neighborhood Club was to present. Everyone seems to be too busy at present to give as much time to the rehearsals as they would for a first-class performance.

April 6, 1933

At a recent committee meeting of the Orman Lake Shore Park Organization, the following program was adopted according to Secretary J.C. McDonald: 1. Accept offer of

Belle Fourche Irrigation District, the lease for the grounds will be transferred from the Fruitdale Community Club to the Water User's Board to be completed between the US and BFID; 2. The park hereafter to be known as the "Orman Lake Shore Park"; 3. Accept the offer

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Dry Creek School. 1923. The Nelson, Stolenack, Whalen, Rivenoja and Ahonen children are pictured. (Leo Ahonen is the tall young man in the back row to the extreme left.)

and Donald Beckham stopped at the B.F. Richards ranch on Willow Creek when on their way to the Moreau River Ranch. Donald Beckham stayed over-night at the Richards' ranch with a bunch of cattle he was taking to the Moreau.

April 8, 1943

Up in the attic of the old firehouse, Charles Lawell, the other day, ran across the official corporation certificate issued by the Secretary of State on May 25, 1912, for the Newell Volunteer Fire Company. Three Charter members, Scott Morell, Fred Gardner and David Richards, are named on the certificate. The framed certificate now adorns the west wall of the fire company quarters in the City Hall.

Harold J. Rock of Newell, formerly of Dale, Wisconsin, has been appointed bee inspector for the West River Region of our state. Please report any bees in buildings or trees in this vicinity to the Bee Inspector.

South Dakota will have its first surprise blackout some time this month; it was announced yesterday by State Civil Defense officers. The date for the proposed blackout is kept a "dark secret" in order to closely simulate an actual air raid attack, only a few high officials are informed when and where the date will be.

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This is a photo of Grandpa Wilson on an ice floe in the Belle Fourche River, after the gorge had been dynamited on Horse Creek

Practice for track has been going on for a week now and the boys seem to be showing signs of progress. Coach Campbell has been having them run a few miles each day, then play basketball. The number going out has increased from 3 or 4 last year to 13. The boys now out: Mike Body mile; Roy Larson shot put and football throw; Waino Rivers 100-yard and 3/4-mile; Clarence Schipke 200-yard; Laurence Riley hurdles; Robert Cunningham mile; Donald Soma, Richard LaFayette, Kenneth Heston, Einard Rivers, Paul Esmay, Charles Wilson and Chester Stomprud relays. The annual Butte County meet will be held in Newell May 5 and Regional meet in Rapid City May 13.

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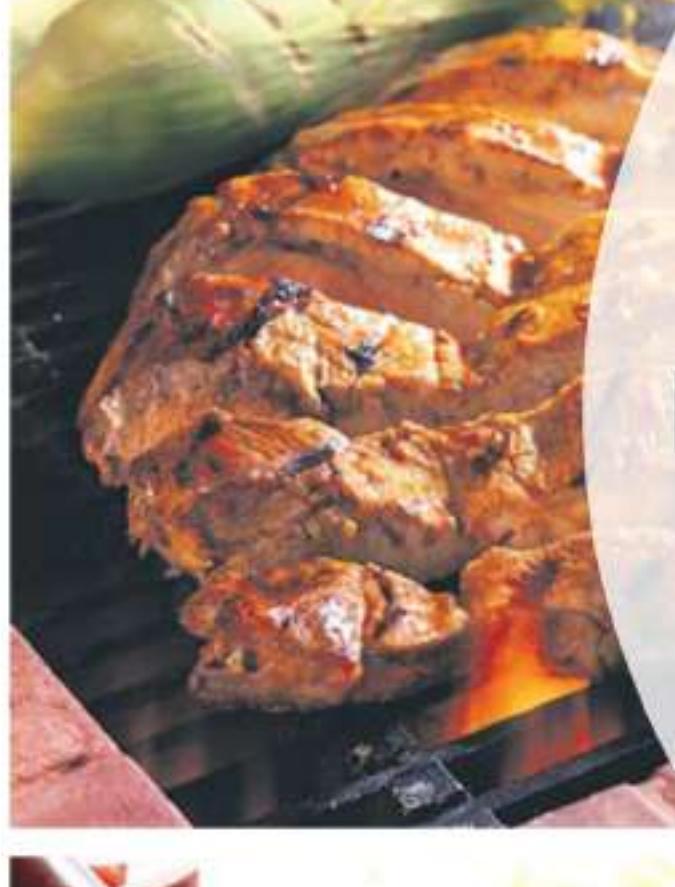
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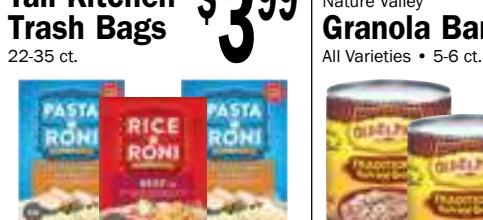
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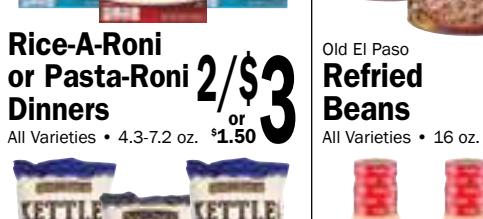
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48 oz.

\$3.99



Brew Pub
Lotta Motzza
Pizza
All Varieties
12 inch.

\$6.99



Beringer
750 ml.
\$3.99

Barefoot
750 ml.
\$5.69

19
Crimes

750 ml.
\$11.99

Kinky
Cocktails

All Varieties
6 pk. bottles

\$5.99

Check Out Our Website at www.luedersfoodcenters.com

Owl Creek Organics

Owl Creek Organics is a small business located in Arpan, SD. Owl Creek Organics is named for the live creek that runs through the farm. Jams and honey can be enjoyed in just minutes on toast or on sandwiches, in tea or in coffee, in hot cereal or sometimes just plain! The Jams and Jellies are made with only certified organic fruits and wild berries and are sweetened with honey.

You can see their storefront at
12130 Sagebrush Rd Nisland, SD.
Check the website for times.



Coffee & Rolls

**Every Friday
7:30 - 10:00 a.m.**

\$2.00

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Items



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Serving the Uninsured

Residing in the Northern Hills

MISSION: To provide quality medical and emergency dental care for people without health insurance and to take the light of Christ into the community.

Mondays

Check In: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Closed the first two weeks of August and Major Holidays

Patients who are eligible for, or have any of the following, do not qualify to receive Good Shepherd Clinic's health care services:
 • Health Insurance
 • Medicare or Medicaid
 • Veterans Assistance
 • Indian Health Services
 • CHIP Program

WALK-IN CLINIC & EMERGENCY DENTAL

Ask about our
IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM!

- Meet income guidelines
- No controlled substances on site

Our Savior's Lutheran Church | 1020 State St. | Spearfish, SD | www.goodshepherdclinicspearfish.com

ENIGMA CRYPTOGRAM

Enigma cryptograms are created from quotations and proverbs from around the world. Each letter stands for another letter. That: "Q" = "D"

"HI WMPNBBTI HVMA MAI
JLFDTIUVMVW OSQ ORLVQ MAI
WVFDTVJVMVIW."

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Books are not made for furniture, but there is nothing else that so beautifully furnishes a house." — Henry Ward Beecher

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Sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9.

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1	4		8		9			5
2			3					1
8				2	4		4	2
				9		5	1	
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

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- 8 Small 12 words
- 9 Room inter.
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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C L I L A R E S A H A

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12 Naturalization

Service (abbr.)

13 Medieval middle

14 Moon-eating person

15 Way

34 Amer. Standard

Code for information

Interchange

labor (abbr.)

35 Alpine

36 Upward

Mohammed

37 Urban office

holder

38 Masses per

budget

40 Nuclear forming

(abbr.)

41 Sioux county

42 Lining edge

43 Mountain on

Cloud

45 Amer.

Automobile

Asian (abbr.)

46 Albania (abbr.)

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Puzzle Answers on C4

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Look What's Cooking at Belle Silver Lining

2023

APRIL

2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Baked Ham Pineapple Rings Sweet Potatoes Cauliflower No Bake Cookie	Cream of Turkey & Wild Rice Soup Glazed Carrots Spinach Salad Artisan Bread Apple Sauce	Lasagna Veggie Gratin Garden Salad Garlic Bread Pears	Creamy Garlic & Mushroom Chicken Parsiled Dumplings Veggie Medley Plums Spice Cake	Pork Cutlets Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fruity Jello	Chicken Salad OR Shrimp Salad on Leafy Greens and Croissant Tomato Soup Grapes, Pudding	Ruben "Sandwich" Casserole Potato Wedges Roasted Brussels Sprouts, Peaches
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Orange Glazed Pork Loin Roasted Reds Asparagus in Bacon Cranberry Sauce Dinner Roll Easter Dessert	Deluxe Bacon Cheese Burger Potato Salad Baked Beans, Melon	Chicken Enchiladas Mexican Rice Leafy Greens, Ice Cream	Meatloaf Cheesy Potatoes Creamed Spinach Mixed Fruit	Pork Roast/Gravy Roasted Potatoes and Carrots Cinnamon Apples	Beef Barley Soup Veggie & Cheese Sandwich Fruit Cocktail Peach Cobbler	Breaded Fish Mac and Cheese Peas & Carrots Apple Sauce Rice Krispy Treat
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Roasted Turkey Dressing/Gravy Broccoli Tropical Fruit	Hawaiian Chicken Coconut Lime Rice Roasted Peppers Grilled Pineapple Peanut Butter Kiss	Roast Beef/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Dinner Roll Pears	Pulled Pork Sandwich Pasta Salad Zucchini Fries, Peaches Rootbeer Floats	Swedish Meatballs Egg Noodles Peas & Carrots Watergate Salad w/Pineapple	Loaded Baked Potato & Salad Bar, Mandrine Oranges Lemon Blueberry Muffin	Deluxe Chicken Patty Sandwich Broccoli/Cheese Soup, Melon
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Tuna Casserole Mixed Veggies Garden Salad Mixed Fruit	Baked Chicken Baked Potato Zucchini Au Gratin Pears Oatmeal Cookie	Indian Tacos Corn Salad Refried Beans Tropical Fruit Snickerdoodle	Pork Chops Wild Rice, Brussel Sprouts in Cream Sauce, Fruity Jello	Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Peaches	Turkey Noodle Soup, Garden Salad, Biscuit Apple Sauce Yellow Cake	Sweet & Sour Pork Fried Rice Egg Roll Mandrine Oranges Fortune Cookie
30	BBQ Beef Sandwich Sweet Potato Wedges, Cole Slaw, Tropical Fruit					

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