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Covid-19 Ordinance; Resolution

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BELLE FOURCHE---The Belle Fourche City Council gave first reading to an ordinance designed to help prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus, after City Attorney Dwight Gubbrud tweaked the original measure because of opposition to its wording.

Ordinance 9-2020 was presented to the council at its meeting April 6.

“Ordinance 9-2020 is largely copied from an ordinance that was adopted by the city of Aberdeen city council. I want to make sure that we’re looking at the most current version of this. When the packet went out on Friday, we had just made a revision based on some information that was provided to us by one of the council members. If you look on the last page, section three subsection E, which provides that any facility occupied by an essential critical infrastructure workforce is not subject to this ordinance,” said Gubbrud.

He added that in a nutshell, what the proposal provides is that any bar or restaurant shall not permit more than ten patrons to be on site unless there is room sufficient to provide a six foot separation between people who are not of the same family unit or of the same household.

The ordinance requires those businesses to discontinue those practices which are incompatible with CDC hygiene practices. The second subsection provides that public gatherings of ten or more people are prohibited unless there is sufficient space to have a physical separation of six feet between people who are not immediate family members or members of the same household also where CDC hygiene practices to reduce the likelihood of spreading the Covid-19 where these are not maintained.

The ordinance does not provide for closures of any businesses. It does have an enforcement mechanism that if any businesses are violating the ordinance the city does have the right to issue a citation.

“More than likely, this citation would be applied if we found a bar packed with people and they were very close together. Then we could ask the police department to go in and break it up or issue a citation for violating the ordinance,” said Gubbrud.

The ordinance excludes many properties that had been considered in the original ordinance on March 27 and exempts

Virus Ordinance A6

Super Moon Brightens the Night Sky



Coming Up Over Downtown - A Super Moon occurs once a year when the moon passes closest to the Earth during orbit. Its appearance in the eastern sky added an additional early evening “bright” light to State Street with the moon looming over the Post Office, Green Bean, and Pioneer Bank & Trust. - *Beacon Photo*

BFHS Students Forced to Experience the “New Normal”

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BELLE FOURCHE---The Covid-19 pandemic has made changes necessary for millions of people, from first responders to hospital staff and nurses. But in South Dakota the Coronavirus has now impacted the education system, as teachers and students teach and learn from a distance using online methods. While students are doing what they have to do, that doesn’t mean that its been fun.

The Beacon reached out to 10 Belle Fourche High School

students to see how they were adapting to the “new normal” and any challenges they have faced while trying to complete their high school careers. 18-year-old Jayme Peterson plans on attending Gillette College in Gillette, Wyo. and to major in occupational therapy. Now, she usually tries to get her classes done in the morning and then helps her mother out for about an hour. When her school work is done and she hangs around the house.

“I definitely miss the classroom setting. I feel I learned better with interaction with

other students, and being face to face with the teacher. I could ask questions and get the answer right away,” she said. If she does have to email a question to a teacher the length of the response time depends on the teacher and how busy she is.

Jayme is disappointed that at this point there will be no graduation in May, saying that seniors want to graduate in front of their families and friends. In addition, as a rodeo competitor, she is frustrated with the postponement of the practice rodeos and hasn’t heard whether Regionals will be held.

“Rodeo is a sport where I need the family. Mom and Dad help me with the trailer and getting my horse ready for barrels. I would want them there if they do have it,” she said.

Her summer was going to be spent rodeoing, so she knows she’ll have some free time. She does go out on a hike with a couple of friends, but for the most part she hangs around the house.

All in all she knows that this situation is not really anybody’s fault, but one that everyone has to deal with.

“I try not to dwell on the feelings of being cheated this year, and I don’t want to think about it. But I do get a little lonely and a little bored, too.”

Logan Goeders is a junior and said he tries to get his work done in one sitting around four or five hours a day.

“This is totally different- and weird. I miss regular school,” he said.

He had been looking forward to track and was practicing for the season when it was canceled, and it bummed him out.

He has the same feelings about graduation. “Honestly, it’s a sad deal. I wish they could hold the ceremony, and my parents are upset about it too,” he said.

He hopes this will all be over by the fall because he can’t wait to go back to school.

“My mom’s about to go crazy, and so am I, being all cooped

Students A5



Places to Park - The parking lot is empty at Belle Fourche High School, except for Activities Director Adam Nowowiejski’s suburban (far left center) which is parked in front of his office. The picture is a stark reminder of the major difference between today’s Covid-19 world and a normal spring school day at BFHS. - *Beacon Photo*

Broncs “Be The Light” April 16



The Belle Fourche Broncos will be joining in with other communities for the “Be the Light” campaign.

Thursday, April 16, the school district will be turning on the lights at Lou Grasslie Field at 8:20pm for 20 minutes. The gesture is to honor those who work in the medical field, our seniors and all the participants in the extra-curricular activities that have been canceled.

BFHS Activities director Adam Nowowiejski invites citizens to take a drive by the stadium during that time and honk to show your support. He asks the public to please remember to adhere to social distancing protocol and stay in your vehicle.

Why this exact time?

If you go by military time, 8:20pm is 20:20. So 20:20 for 20 minutes for the Class of 2020.

We’re in this together. #BroncStrong!

Reich Charolais-The Sale Must Go On



The Belle Fourche Livestock Market conducted Tim & Ree Reich’s Charolais Ranch 63rd Annual Bull Sale last Thursday. Tim (c) addresses the crowd from the auction block prior to the start of the sale. He is flanked by Auctioneers Jade Harper (l) and Seth Weishaar (r). The number of buyers in the seats (inset) was Covid-19 curtailed, but those that were there coupled with internet and phone bidding kept the action rolling. The need for quality bulls and the timing of a ranchers cow calf management plans isn’t able to take a back seat to today’s pandemic.

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Obituaries

Orville Roy Edwards 84



Orville Roy Edwards was born August 6, 1935, in Sturgis, SD, and peacefully passed at his home, with family by his side, in Vale, SD, on Thursday, April 2, 2020.

Orville was a man among men. He was a role model and a positive voice in a world that can sometimes be so negative. Despite all of the medical issues he had the last 5 years of his life, Orville remained strong, hopeful, and joyful. He smiled whenever he could and enjoyed the company of his friends and neighbors. Even in his last days, he was able to smile and make a joke. We truly loved him and were inspired by him.

Orville grew up on farmland east of Vale, SD, where his parents began farming in 1935, near the land that was settled by Orville's grandparents, Charles and Ella Edwards and Joel and Hilda Eskola in 1907.

Orville attended the Empire School for eight years and graduated from Vale High School in 1954. In his school age years, Orville was involved in helping his father farm, in 4-H, and once the Vale Lutheran Church was established in 1950 (his family is charter members) he was active in Luther League and the church itself.

After graduating from high school, Orville attended SDSU, with one of his most memorable times being in the choir's performance of "The Messiah". He was involved in ROTC in college and was later in the United States Army for two years.

Orville was in California working and attending community college when his father began having health issues. So, he came back to South Dakota to help on the farm. He continued to farm and help his dad and mother until they passed away. Eventually, Orville's farming encompassed 465 acres, 380 of which were irrigated. He grew corn and alfalfa, fed cattle, and raised sheep and pigs. Orville was an excellent farmer, always trying new methods and sharing his expertise whenever asked.

Orville was very involved in his community. He was a board member of the ASCS (now Farm Service Agency) for approximately 30 years, a member of the Farm Bureau, Butte Electric, Lutheran Brotherhood, community Bowling



Leagues, a council member of Vale Lutheran Church, and the Vale Cemetery committee.

Orville met his wife, Kathy, through her Godmother, Lillie Holst. They were married on December 25, 1981, in Newcastle, WY.

Orville liked traveling, fishing, water-skiing, snowmobiling, and motorcycle rides. He loved driving through the machinery lots checking on the new machinery, whether locally or on a trip.

He also liked to work on old machinery and was able to do most of his own repair work. His favorite things later in life were fishing, playing cards, having coffee at the Vale Store, and riding his Goldwing tricycle around the Black Hills.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Kathryn (Schuldies) Edwards; his two stepdaughters, Connie Garner of Newell, SD, and Robbie Cupps (James), of Boise, ID; 5 grandchildren, Shane, Autumn, and Amber Garner, and Jamie and Mattie Cupps; 3 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Charlotte Pauley (Eugene) of Claremore, OK, and Carolyn Ruff (Robert) of Vale, SD; two nieces, Trudee Coughlin (William) of Evergreen, CO, and Wendee Henry (Rodney) of Claremore, OK, and their families; and many, many cousins, and, of course, cat extraordinaire, Patches.

He was preceded in death by his father, Vernon Edwards; his mother, Helen Edwards; nephew, Robert Joel Ruff; and son-in-law, LaVerne Garner.

In addition to the many friends and neighbors who have been kind and generous to Orville, the family would like to thank Monument Hospital Hospice for helping us through the last few days, especially Nurse Amy. We'd also like to thank Mike Grubl and his family for their support and love.

A Celebration of Life will be held this summer when all can gather and enjoy each other's company and share many wonderful stories of Orville Roy Edwards.

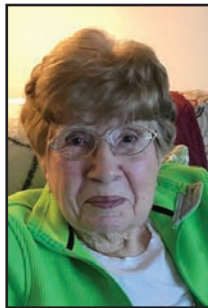
A memorial has been established in Orville's name to the Vale Volunteer Fire Department. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

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Teresa Marie (Sturges) Hawk 91

Teresa Marie (Sturges) Hawk passed away quietly on Sunday, April 5, 2020 at the age of 91. Born the daughter of Howard Lynn Sturges and Evelyn Ellen McManus in McIntosh, South Dakota. Teresa finished her bachelor's degree at the age of 58 and went on to earn two master's degrees, one from Chadron State College and one from Loyola University in New Orleans. She taught at Chadron State College and served as the Liturgical Minister at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Teresa was a force of nature. She became president of nearly every organization she joined. She recognized those at the margins of society and worked to create a just world. She was a nurturer in the most comprehensive sense of the word. She nurtured her community, her church, her family, and her world. She nurtured her children until her last moment. She was funny, smart, loving, loyal,



hopeful, and inspiring.

Teresa is preceded in death by her husband Howard Charles Hawk, father Howard Lynn Sturges, mother, Evelyn Ellen McManus, daughter Kathleen Hawk Norman and her sister Betty Conner. She is survived by seven of her children: Thomas Hawk of Baton Rouge, LA; Dennis Hawk (Carol) of Kansas City, MO; Jim Hawk of Chadron, NE; Mary Hawk of Lincoln, NE; Patty Hawk (Rod Diercks) of Crete, NE; Marty Hawk (Kerri) of Minneapolis, MN; J.J. Hawk (Kimberly) of Beaverton, OR; Her sister Bobbe Ward of Belle Fourche, SD: 12 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and precious foster children.

Memorial gifts may be sent to the Chadron Public Library Foundation, Chadron Nebraska, 69337.

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Pastor's Perspective

The Cross – A Painful but Necessary Victory

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Tim Smith of First Baptist Church

Step back with me in time. Imagine, if you will, that you were one of Jesus' closest friends. You had spent approximately three years of your life with him as one of His disciples. You had learned much from Him about the Kingdom of God. Some of it you understood, but much of it, especially about the 'suffering of the Son of Man' you didn't quite grasp. What attracted you to Him was not His external appearance, but rather Who He was. And, you were privileged to be there when He taught the large crowds. You witnessed His healing the blind man. You had even helped distribute the fish and bread when he fed the five thousand. You were on the boat with Him when the terrible storm came, and Jesus slept, and then you had watched when Jesus was woken from His sleep, and you heard Him stand and command the storm to be stilled. You were amazed, that 'even the wind and waves obeyed Him.' You had watched as He lived in front of you a life of obedience to His Father in Heaven as He fulfilled 'the Law's demands.' You had seen how the 'religious leaders' responded to Him, and you had even wondered why it was that they seemed to reject Him when He seemed to the very Messiah that they were looking for.

You were there in the Garden of Gethsemane when your Rabbi (Teacher) was arrested. You were aware of the manner that He was treated after His arrest. You heard that the manner that His trial was conducted was unprecedented, if not outright illegal. You were



nearby, when the crowds yelled for Barabbas, a scoundrel and thief, was chosen to be released over Jesus.

You wept when the crowd yelled "Crucify Him."

You were near the road as He appeared carrying

His cross. You could see from a distance that He had been beaten, and when He got closer, you couldn't breathe, because He was beaten beyond recognition. The One that meant so much to you had been beaten to an inch of His life. You were close enough that you cringed as they drove the spikes into His arms and feet that the sound felt like it was striking you. And, you were there when He spoke from the cross, "Father, forgive them," "my God, why have you forsaken me?" and "into Your hands, I commit my Spirit." You stood in shock as the earth quaked and it got dark for three hours in the middle of the day. It seemed as if the whole world was falling apart as your heart broke. You stood in shock watching, waiting, crying and hoping for some miracle, some type of intervention. But, it never happened. You watched in anguished sorrow as they lowered Jesus' body from the cross and carried it towards Joseph's of Arimathea's tomb. This couldn't be happening! You had no words! You were simply numb. Following Jesus' death, you wandered with some of the others towards a home that you had been in before. Your emotions ranged from intense and unrelenting grief, to numbness, to anger, and back again. You couldn't eat. You couldn't sleep. You couldn't think of what to say.

Even though there were others around, you were lost. Occasionally a memory would be shared and you might smile, but you wondered if you could have done something to keep Him from dying! But. It was too late. And, then it was the first day of the week. The ladies left to care for the body. After a while, they returned with the unexpected and unbelievable news that Jesus was Risen! When Peter and John returned with that same news, you couldn't believe it. Then He appeared in the room that you were in. He was standing right in front of you!! And, He even invited your friend Thomas to touch Him.

For the next 40 days you spent every moment of every day that you could in the presence of the One who died and rose again, your Teacher, your Friend, your Savior and your Lord. You listened to greater attentiveness to each word, and it His teaching made greater sense. You were convinced that you would give your life for Him.

You were also there when He commissioned His disciples to "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

And, today some 2000 years later, that same charge exists for the followers of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. We should remember this Easter season that Jesus conquered sin and death and we should strive to live in a way that honors Him because of Who He is. HE is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed!



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State Street Team Progress

State Street Team "Working Group" members continue to meet following social distancing guidelines and also online via Zoom.

The group has proposed a change in nomenclature moving forward. In the interest of refining the scope and focus of the State Street Teams efforts is recommending renaming it the "Belle Fourche Downtown Business District"

Much has been accomplished in designing a framework for the future structure and organization of the State Street Team.

The following mission statement has been proposed:

"To Preserve, Restore, and Promote the Historic Downtown Business District"

The working group has also strategized ways to achieve a 501(c)3 status which would be structurally beneficial to its existence and purpose-impacting on the development of a downtown

business district.

It would allow a financial avenue to procure grants and accept tax deductible donations.

Establishing a 501(c)3 entails some talent, time and paperwork.

With current Covid-19 constraints on large group meetings the State Street Team will provide information via email and the Beacon.

Your ideas, input, and suggestions are welcome.

Please reach out if there are any concerns, questions or need for clarification. Your input is welcome. You can call Mary Buchholz (892-4268) or Barb Clarkson (520-982-4271).

Please feel free to talk with the working group members also:

Daphne and Paul Johnson-Daphne's; Michelle Watson-Venue 519/Keller Williams Real Estate Group; Aaron Neiman-Green Bean/8th Avenue Bakery; Doug Cole-Belle Fourche Beacon; George Wilson-Cowboys Too.

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Her Love of the Game

A newspaper article published in 2004 described Stephanie (Steph) Feterl – then Stephanie Baier – as a player that has a toughness in her game that BHSU Women's Basketball needed to have. She was described as extremely competitive and would raise the team's level of play. If you were lucky enough to see Steph play ball at BHSU, you saw her tenacity, grit and passion for the game. She brings that same toughness, competitiveness and drive to her position, team and coworkers at Jackson Dental.

Steph has been a dental assistant at Jackson Dental for 8 years. She is the leader of the dental assistant team, which consists of 9 other assistants. Steph describes working at Jackson Dental as being very similar to her time playing ball. She said, "When you're on a basketball team, you practice every day, you study other teams and review their plays. You make a game plan on how you are going to win. If a player is off during a game, it can throw off the whole team." Dentistry is no different. As a dental assistant, Steph comes into the practice every day and makes a game plan for each patient with the team. She said, "You have to have a strong team to back you and the doctor up, just like you need your team to back you up out on the court."

Steph grew up in Gillette, WY and graduated from Campbell County High School. She graduated with a double major from BHSU in Spearfish in Human Services & Law Enforcement and Sociology. She thought she wanted to be a Probation Officer from the time she was young. She wanted to help people. But, as her grandpa always said, "Take the road less traveled." Steph did just that and took an unex-



Steph Feterl -Courtesy Photo

pected turn in her career path and ended up at Jackson Dental. She graduated from the Dental Assisting program at Western Dakota Tech in 2013. Steph is married to Mitch Feterl and they live in Spearfish with their two cats, Stevie Wonder and Ohlee. On her down time, Steph enjoys home improvement projects, working out and she loves to paint. She even admitted that she was "banned" from going to any more Sip N' Paints because they ran out of room for all of her paintings!

Steph takes her creativity and her desire to learn at Jackson Dental very seriously. She loves learning the new verbiage from the doctors each day and is learning a lot about technology in dentistry, as she stated, "the practice is so digitally focused, you have to stay up to date on it all to help your patients in the best way possible." Steph works

a lot with the CEREC machine (used to create same-day crowns). The CEREC machine uses 3D scans to produce ceramic inlays, onlays and crowns that match the exact shape and size of the patients' teeth. Steph works primarily with Dr. Christopher Jackson assisting with full mouth rehabilitation. She said, "The environment at Jackson Dental is rewarding – you make people feel better and the family we have here is very strong."

It is very clear that if you are current or future patient at Jackson Dental, you would be in great hands to have Steph and her team assisting the doctors with implants, crowns or any type of rehabilitation to make your smile beautiful and your mouth functional. Steph will do her part in the operatory to ensure everything goes as it should – just as she did for her team on the basketball court.

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's Gold Country Chapter Headquarters 521 State St.

Dakota Territory Firearms, 521 State Street is also the headquarters for the Gold Country Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Owners Sam Silacci and Jared & Nancy Kindsfater invite you to ask how you can be involved with the Elk foundation.

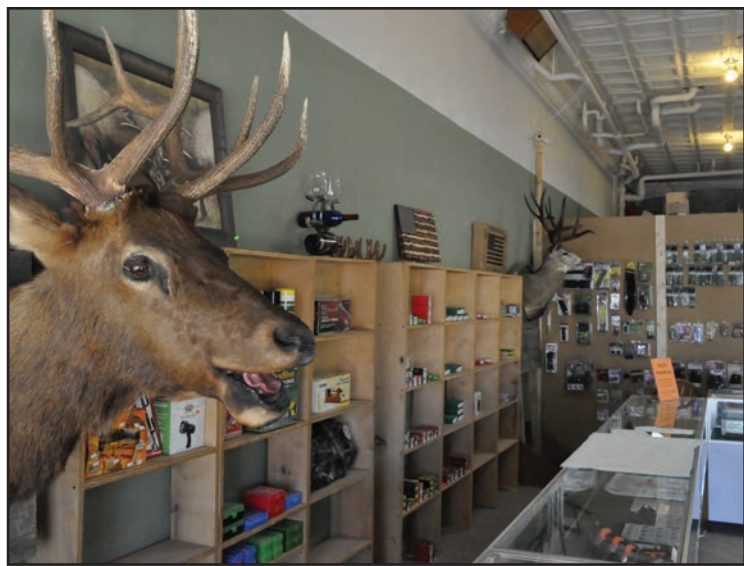
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The Gold Country Big Game Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2020 at 4:30 PM – 9:30 PM at the Lodge at Deadwood, 100 Pine Crest Ln.

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The mission of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation is to ensure the future of elk, our wildlife, their habitat and our hunting heritage. Since 1984, we have protected and enhanced over 7.3 million acres of wildlife habitat. We also support hunting heritage programs and help restore wild elk herds. Along the



An Elk mount hangs above the counter at Dakota Territory Firearms, 521 State Street which is also the headquarters for the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's Gold Country Chapter.

way, we have helped open access to 1.2 million acres for public hunting and other recreation.

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- In 1907, only 41,000 elk remained in North America. Today there are well over 1 million elk thanks to the money and hard work invested by hunters to

restore and conserve habitat.

- In 1937, hunters actually requested an 11% tax on guns, ammo, bows and arrows to help fund conservation. That tax has so far raised more than \$2 billion for wildlife conservation.

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Top Tips for Working from Home

When you're used to driving to the office every day, sitting through long meetings, and sharing a community microwave, working from home can sound pretty darn good.

Working from home takes a special kind of discipline and flexibility. This is especially true if your spouse is also working from home and your kids are out of school. Here are a few tips to help it go smoothly.

Eat and drink—the right stuff at the right time

It's easy to get caught up in work and forget to eat or stay hydrated during the day. It's also easy to take too many trips to the kitchen for snacks and overdo it on the potato chips. Resist the temptation to snack all day.

Build in exercise

Working from home means you're out of your regular routine. Make exercise a part of your new routine. Schedule it on your calendar or set a reminder on your phone. There are tons of ways to get in a workout from home—especially now, since a number of gyms and fitness experts have put their workouts online for free.

Be one with the mute button

Even small noises, like ruffling papers, can be amplified over a cell phone. Get used to hitting mute when you're on calls from home to eliminate the background noise and embarrassing interruptions.

Designate a work-only space

This may be easier said than done. Maybe there just isn't space for a dedicated home office or even a bedroom with a door you can close. Do what you can to find a private space you can make your own while you're working from home. It

can increase productivity, and it also allows you to separate work from your personal life.

Make a schedule

"Set a schedule, and stick to it...most of the time," said PCMag. "Clear guidelines for when to work and when to call it a day helps many remote workers maintain work-life balance. That said, one of the benefits of remote work is flexibility, and sometimes you need to extend your day or start early to accommodate someone else's time zone. When you do, be sure to wrap up earlier than usual or sleep in a bit the next morning to make up for it."

Be social

Working from home can feel isolating, especially if you get energy from your regular workspace and colleagues. "One undeniable loss is the social, casual 'water cooler' conversation that connects us to people," said NPR. "To fill the gap, some co-workers are scheduling online social time to have conversations with no agenda." Use chat and video apps if you miss real-time interaction.

"Mattress Money" and Mortgages

While it might not literally be stashed under your mattress, "mattress money" is a catchall term to describe money saved without a documented paper trail. The money could come from selling a car, a small inheritance, or an outright gift. One

transaction, it's important to understand that the way you save your money is nearly as important as having it in the first place.

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Distance Learning Continues as Graduation on Hold

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School's out for summer - a couple of months early. Sort of. Governor Kristi Noem has mandated that South Dakota schools remain closed for the rest of the school year to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 but students continue to receive coursework through various distance-learning programs.

In Belle Fourche, kindergarten through 4th grade is picking up paper packets of material supplied by their teachers. Teachers are then following up with students using Zoom meetings to check on progress.

Middle school and some high school students are using Google classroom while senior high students are also using a learning management system known as Schoology.

"They are doing the best they can and the kids are putting in time when they can," Superintendent Dr. Steve Willard told the Beacon when asked how distance learning was going. "It pretty much follows that if a student was doing their homework when we were in session they're doing it now, if they weren't doing their homework while we were in session they might not be doing that now."

Willard says he has asked the school principals to gather what data they could on how many and how often their students are logging in to do the work. As

the school enters its fifth week of the shutdown, administrators were still in the process of gathering that information.

"A lot of it depends on what's going on at home," Willard said. He added that with all the concerns related to health safety and job security they are not putting any additional undue pressure on families. "Some are just trying to get food on the table. That obviously would take priority."

What is certain among the state's educators is that the extended shutdown of South Dakota schools will have a few long-term effects. Among them will be a student's ability to get up to speed in the fall when schools are expected to reopen. Teachers will also need to accelerate their curriculum to bring some students along.

"If a third grader misses the last part of their third grade year when they would become (ready for) fourth-grade, teachers would need to re-teach those end-of-the-year third-grade skills before they started into fourth grade skills (once school resumes)," Willard said. "It's all uncharted territory."

Willard says that current members of the senior class who were eligible for graduation will graduate. It's just not clear when a public ceremony will be held.

"Our graduation ceremony is still up in the air yet, he said.

"We've got a few options that (High School) Principal (Matthew) Raba is taking a look at. It could be later this calendar year. It depends on when the curve flattens out. It could even be a virtual graduation."

A virtual graduation involves videotaping students as they received their diplomas. Speeches would also be taped and the ceremony would be made available via the Internet.

Meanwhile the school continues to provide breakfast and lunches to students through their free lunch program. According to Dr. Willard more than 20,000 meals have been served. Upwards of 440 per day are being distributed as the program has expanded from an expected distribution of up to 200 per day.

"I would encourage parents to take advantage of this food service program, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for children 0-18 years old," he said.

The district plans to continue the meals program at least through the end of May. "We'll see what the Governor intends to do with any stay-at-home order, but we'd like to continue to program through the end of June," Willard said.

At issue during last Monday night's scheduled virtual school board meeting was how to handle paying hourly staff moving forward. During the March school board meeting it was decided to pay staff through the end of the school year.

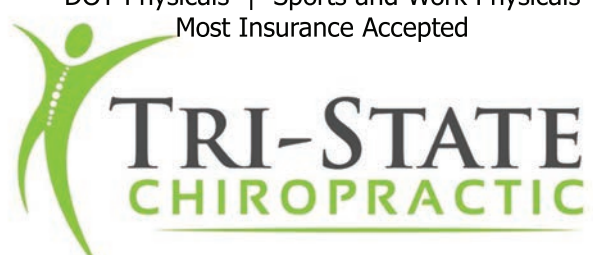
At this point the district will take its guidance from state health officials and the governor's office as to when schools will re-open.

The peak of South Dakota's COVID-19 outbreak isn't expected until after April 29th. The number of South Dakota cases is expected to surpass

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Jayme Peterson, pictured with Lt. Governor Larry Rhoden and Governor Kristi Noem at the Governor's mansion in Pierre. Jayme, the daughter of Scott and Susan Peterson, served as a Senate page during the 2020 legislative session. Jayme said, "Being a page during the SD Legislative session was a great hands on experience of how our government runs. Other seniors should take advantage of this opportunity as I learned more about our government than I was ever expecting. " She was a page in the Senate March 9-12 with Senator Garry Cammack, Union Center, as her sponsor. *Courtesy Photo*

1,000 this week but the morbidity rate in South Dakota is still well below the national average at just .008 percent. Those requiring hospitalization were very low with Monument

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up," he said.

Colby Nowowiejski is 18 and plans to become a biomedical engineer, and is doing his part in dealing with the situation.

"I prefer the classroom so I can see my classmates and my teacher," he said. He doesn't have any problems connecting with his teachers and said it depends on how busy they all are and that he can usually get an answer to a question right away.

He usually does his classwork right away in the morning, which usually takes him two to three hours. Then he goes fishing.

"I admit I am getting bored and running out of things to do, although I do try to meet with friends. There's a few that can't leave home, but I try to," he said. He added his parents are a little overwhelmed since they are not used to having him around.

He too is disappointed with the loss of the track season.

"I'm pretty upset. We could have done very well at State. Our relay team could have set some records," he said.

As for graduation, Colby feels a little cheated, having worked hard to reach that milestone. But he is still looking forward.

"I'll probably work this summer, and take a few trips before college," he said.

He is already expecting to take online freshman orientation classes and also normal classes for the first semester.

"I think it would be cool to do some college courses from home, but I still want the college experience," he said.

Jackson Tyndall doesn't really have a set time to work on his assignments but works on what needs to be done to keep ahead. He's 18 and plans on attending SDSU to study either exercise science or wildlife and fisheries biology..

"I like being in the classroom and taught in person. I'm not a fan of the online instruction," he said.

He added he hasn't had many questions since he has a lot of resources and can check them online.

He's another thincad who worked hard conditioning himself by lifting weights in preparation for track, only to have the season canceled.

"It's unfortunate but I'm not going to dwell on it," he said.

He feels the same about graduation. "It was hard to hear about it, I would rather have it later in the summer as opposed to not at all," he said.

He plans to work for the district doing maintenance and take a trip or two. He had been planning to go to Canada but now can't go.

As far as all of this, his mom is taking it hard, not being able to do the traditional stuff. But they all agree it's no good to dwell on it.

Juliann Lange plans on being a cosmetologist and attending Paul Mitchell salon. The 18-year-old does her homework and sometimes will finish it the next morning.

"I liked the way we've done it before. It was focused on the student and teacher," she said.

She had been planning on playing golf for BF High School but that was cancelled as well.

"This sucks. I was hoping for a good year. I'd been practicing on my own and now all that hard work is for nothing," she said.

Juliann has heard there's a possibility graduation could occur later in the summer, but in the meantime, she hangs out with a few friends until they close down the town. As for her parents, they are struggling with the situation because they wanted her to have a momentous finish to her high school career.

Ashton Allen is heading for Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, AZ to major in hospitality management. The 17-year-old gets right to her school work once she's up and has breakfast. It takes her about four hours, but she struggles.

"I miss contact with my peers. I feel isolated. It's harder to communicate with the teachers this way," she said. The loss of graduation has hit her especially hard.

"I'm upset. I was looking forward to graduation and making my parents proud. I was hoping to celebrate this summer and do some things. There was a time when I didn't think I would ever graduate. Middle School was very hard for me and I almost gave up," she said.

Her mom is struggling with the possible loss of graduation, since she didn't graduate high school and wants her daughter to experience that so much.

"It's an emotional time in our house," said Ashton.

She plans to spend time with friends and make as many memories as she can but is still a little scared.

Kelby Olson worked hard lifting weights in preparation for track, and then the season was lost. So he has focused on the work at hand at tries to be done with all his classwork in the mornings. He is 18 and plans to attend BHSU and major in business.

He feels being in the classroom setting was more interactive and easier.

"It was more focused. Here it's hard to be motivated, Thankfully, the teachers are good about replying to questions within at least 30 minutes," he said.

He's disappointed with the loss of the track season since this was his senior year.

"The team would have been great this year and we all would have had a good time with our teammates," he said.

As for graduation, Kelby was looking forward to it, then some summer work and fun and then off to college. His parents are sad about graduation, but for the most part, he finds things to do, although it is hard not seeing his friends.

He figures he will do online classes at BHSU.

Tate Larson also will attend school, namely University of Wyoming, for wildlife and fisheries management. He too was looking forward to the upcoming track season, working out in lifting class at 7 in the morning. After that he does his school work and keeps at it until finished, about two hours.

"Obviously, this is different. It's strange without the teacher/student interchange," he said. He feels the teachers are on top of things, getting answers to questions rather quickly and are there for the students.

He was hoping track would be saved and feels it unfortunate his hard work isn't going to pay a dividend, but it's

time to look to the future.

Graduation, Tate feels, is an event everyone needs to experience.

"This is a rite of passage, the next step in life. Missing that is devastating," he said.

He plans on working, fishing and just getting outdoors. He hasn't heard about his college courses but figures he will be working online like everyone else.

His parents have adapted, keeping their distance while he's doing school work. They want the best for him and feel terrible about how things have turned out.

"I know everyone has our best interests in mind and are keeping us safe even if it is a crappy deal," he said.

When he's free, he meets up with a couple of friends.

"This whole thing bothers me, but it's not the end of the world."

Makenna Ward is another student trying to make it through the changes everyone is going through. The 18-year-old plans on attending USD for pediatric nursing. She one of those who paces herself, having breakfast, watching a little TV and then to the schoolwork. She works at that for a while and then helps her father work cattle.

She notices a lot of differences with not seeing friends. "It's weird. You lose that interchange with the teacher," she said. She kind of has a work mate, since her sister is doing the online thing from college as well. She too was looking forward to the track season.

"It's been devastating. Our senior year we were seeded and we could've broke the school record. But being safe is important and maybe something good can come out of this," she said.

She would prefer the actual graduation ceremony as opposed to getting her diploma in the mail.

"This was a life event that has been taken away from us," she said.

Makenna has praise for her parents as they make sure she and her sister have everything they need.

She plans to go to Montana with the family to put up hay on her aunt and uncle's place.

Savannah Roseles is 18 and headed to BHSU. She is undecided as to her major. She prefers to do as much work as she can in the morning and likes to take breaks but it all depends on her workload.

Savannah is not a fan of sheltering in place. "It's definitely more lonely. If you need help it's harder to get help you need sometimes," she said.

She was planning to participate in track but the time between basketball season and track left her not much time to train and so she was just left out.

"Graduation is very rewarding. How can you miss out on that? You're in front of the whole town of Belle Fourche and they know you've been working at this your whole life. It hurts," said Savannah

Her parents aren't really stressed, since her sister is home as well, so they're used to it.

Savannah plans to work at Rocky Point at Orman and spend time with friends to break the monotony.

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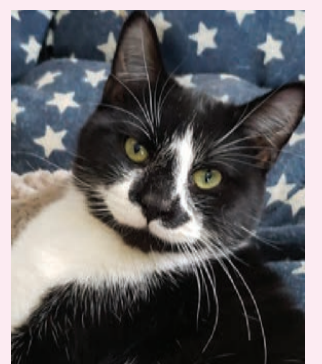
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vote to suspend its enforcement or repeal it altogether," said Gubbrud. Mayor Gloria Landphere suggested Martin meet with Gubbrud to iron out a possible end date for the ordinance and that would give Martin an idea of how long it would be in effect. But he replied he would like to know how his fellow councilors felt about it. Some questions arose about the difference between the resolution before the council and the ordinance. It was stated that the resolution was more of a list of guidelines and requirements whereas the ordinance contained provision for enforcement and penalties for violations. Ward 3 councilor James Ager commented that one of the responsibilities of a council member was to listen to the citizenry. "Even though sometimes what is felt is not popular and sometimes even goes against what I feel, out of the dozen correspondences I had since our last meeting, all of them expressed to me their opposition to an ordinance, he said. He added he did like the resolution, saying it is adequate for now and that he agreed with councilor Martin that the new ordinance was much more palatable. Questions arose about the timing of the second reading

and as was mentioned earlier, after five days from the first reading, a meeting could be called by the Mayor, and in the meantime, any changes should be discussed. "As far as requests for a meeting, any councilor can call me and request a meeting to discuss the second reading. In the interim is the time to work out any changes wanted," said Mayor Landphere. Gubbrud added that there wasn't a whole lot that could be done to change the intent of the ordinance, but any minor changes could be facilitated. Otherwise they would have to start over. Once all the questions were answered, the council moved on to the resolutions regarding issues related to the coronavirus pandemic. Resolution 14-2020, which would encourage the citizens of Belle Fourche to take precautions to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 disease, was passed by the council after a motion and a second by Councilors Hintz and Martin respectively. Resolution 15-2020 was also passed by the council and would temporarily modify current municipal utilities practices, namely the charging of penalties for unpaid utility bills. "Whereas the city of Belle Fourche operates municipal utilities and Whereas the



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Cattle Report - Friday, April 10, 2020
 Right at 1000 Cattle Today
 Yearlings Sold \$1 to \$4 Lower
 Weigh Ups Steady With Last Week

Next Sale - April 17th - Bred Cow and Pair Special
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Feeder Cattle

Bruch Ranch LLC, Sturgis SD.....	12.....	Bbld Hfrs.....	637.....	\$134.00
Bruch Ranch LLC, Sturgis SD.....	8.....	Blk Hfrs.....	536.....	\$136.00
Deveraux, Craig Or Jolene, Newcastle WY.....	9.....	Bbld Hfrs.....	579.....	\$136.00
Duprel, Jack, Sturgis SD.....	7.....	Bld Strs.....	775.....	\$124.00
Duprel, Jack, Sturgis SD.....	19.....	Herf Strs.....	732.....	\$126.00
Gay Ranch Inc, Broadus MT.....	3.....	Bbld Hfrs.....	906.....	\$91.00
Gilbert, Lloyd, Buffalo SD.....	9.....	Blk Strs.....	488.....	\$164.00
Kammerer, Matt Or April, Rapid City SD.....	19.....	Bbld Strs.....	681.....	\$141.00
Kammerer, Matt Or April, Rapid City SD.....	12.....	Bbld Strs.....	592.....	\$148.00
Mackaben, Ronny, Broadus MT.....	21.....	B/R Strs.....	510.....	\$165.00
McPherson, Baxter, Sturgis SD.....	15.....	Blk Strs.....	683.....	\$140.00
McPherson, Baxter, Sturgis SD.....	8.....	B/R Strs.....	552.....	\$153.00
Pzinski, Matt & Chris, Newcastle WY.....	43.....	Bbld Hfrs.....	658.....	\$134.50
Pzinski, Matt & Chris, Newcastle WY.....	10.....	Blk Hfrs.....	548.....	\$149.00

Bred Cows - Sold By The Head

Randall Inc, Broadus MT.....	16.....	Blk Hfr.....	1056.....	\$1,410.00
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Pairs - Sold By The Pair

Ott, Betty, Hermosa SD.....	6.....	Bbld Broken.....	1518.....	\$1,360.00
Ott, Betty, Hermosa SD.....	8.....	Rtbl Broken.....	1460.....	\$1,335.00

Weigh Up Cows

Bayles, Seth, Broadus MT.....	1.....	Blk Hfr.....	1245.....	\$71.00
Beug, Harvey, Sturgis SD.....	1.....	Blk Cwette.....	1090.....	\$69.00
Doolittle Wagner Ranch Llc, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1320.....	\$60.00
Gatzke, Steve, Newell SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1600.....	\$50.50
H-C Feeders, Rozet WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1250.....	\$61.50
H-C Feeders, Rozet WY.....	1.....	Blk Cwette.....	1000.....	\$94.00
Ingalls, Dan, Piedmont SD.....	3.....	Blk Hfr.....	1050.....	\$75.50
Ipy Ranch Ltd, Devils Tower WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1645.....	\$50.00
Janssen, William, Volborg MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1145.....	\$64.00
Jochim, Mark, Belle Fourche SD.....	2.....	Blk Hfr.....	1047.....	\$92.50
Kissack, Joe & Armit, Rozet WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	980.....	\$83.00
Lintz, Jim & Brenda, Hermosa SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1367.....	\$60.00
Lintz, Jim & Brenda, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1245.....	\$59.00
McClure, Nicole, Gillette WY.....	2.....	Bbld Hfr.....	840.....	\$87.00
McCoy, Jim, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1465.....	\$54.00
McCoy, Jim, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1455.....	\$50.00
McCoy, Neal, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1380.....	\$56.00
Milek, Dennis Or Cindy, Sturgis SD.....	2.....	Red Cow.....	1287.....	\$61.00
Millers Crow Creek Ranch LLC, Spearfish SD.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1175.....	\$61.50
Oliver, Bert Or Barbara, Whitewood SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1270.....	\$60.50
Plucker, Jeff, Aladdin WY.....	5.....	Blk Cow.....	1353.....	\$60.00
Plucker, Jeff, Aladdin WY.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1180.....	\$59.50
Policky Revoc Trust, Ivan F, Upton WY.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1262.....	\$58.50
Rathbun, Tony & Tamie, Sundance WY.....	4.....	Blk Cwette.....	1086.....	\$80.00
Rice, Howard Or Mary, Rapid City SD.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1755.....	\$50.00
River Valley Ranch, Sundance WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1230.....	\$62.00
Seldo Inc, Boyes MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1520.....	\$60.00
Seldo Inc, Boyes MT.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1426.....	\$60.00
Severson, Brad, Vale SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1460.....	\$56.00
Smith, Ray Or Sandra, Sonnette MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1580.....	\$60.00
Smith, Ray Or Sandra, Sonnette MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1210.....	\$61.50
Taft Ranch, Upton WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1280.....	\$59.00
Taft Ranch, Upton WY.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1212.....	\$67.00
Wulff, Justin, Owanka SD.....	3.....	Bld Cow.....	1513.....	\$59.00
Wulff, Justin, Owanka SD.....	2.....	Bld Cwette.....	1097.....	\$83.00

Weigh Up Bulls

Doolittle Wagner Ranch LLC, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Herf Bull.....	2010.....	\$89.00
Glade, Cliff, Oelrichs SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1665.....	\$94.00
Kornes, Leland, Sturgis SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	2125.....	\$82.00
Nuckolls Ranch, Hulet WY.....	1.....	Bld Bull.....	1810.....	\$82.50
Rathbun, Tony & Tamie, Sundance WY.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1980.....	\$80.00

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 April 24th – Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special – Selling All Classes Of Cattle
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 May 8th – Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special – Selling All Classes Of Cattle
 May 15th – Bred Cow & Pair Special – Selling All Classes Of Cattle
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Sheep Report - April 9, 2020
 Small Run Of Sheep Today
 All Classes Sold Lower
 Next Sale - April 16th - Bred Ewe Special
 Thank You For Your Business!

Bred Ewes - Sold By The Head

Arledge Ranch, Robert Lee TX.....	25.....	6 Yr Old Ewes.....	165.....	\$167.50
Arledge Ranch, Robert Lee TX.....	53.....	6 Yr Old Ewes.....	165.....	\$155.00
Arledge Ranch, Robert Lee TX.....	10.....	6 Yr Old Ewes.....	165.....	\$155.00

Feeder Lambs

Renno, Mervin, Newell SD.....	18.....	Lambs.....	96.....	\$85.00
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Slaughter Ewes

Arledge Ranch, Robert Lee TX.....	19.....	Ewe.....	143.....	\$39.50
Harrison, Richard Or Stacy, Fruitdale SD.....	4.....	Ewe.....	130.....	\$33.00
Mahaffy, Lonnie Or Melissa, Newell SD.....	9.....	Ewe.....	130.....	\$33.00
Reid, Victor, Nisland SD.....	3.....	Ewe.....	183.....	\$41.00
Reid, Victor, Nisland SD.....	2.....	Ewe.....	170.....	\$35.00
Reid, Victor, Nisland SD.....	9.....	Ewe.....	144.....	\$33.00
SD Consignment.....	44.....	Ewe.....	178.....	\$48.00
SD Consignment.....	7.....	Ewe.....	125.....	\$33.00
Sheeler, Sheldon, Vale SD.....	3.....	Ewe.....	150.....	\$35.00
Sheeler, Sheldon, Vale SD.....	8.....	Ewe.....	132.....	\$33.00
Vaughn, Randy, Newell SD.....	2.....	Ewe.....	180.....	\$41.00
Wilkinson, Jim & Patsy, Reva SD.....	14.....	Ewe.....	191.....	\$41.00
Wilkinson, Jim & Patsy, Reva SD.....	9.....	Ewe.....	165.....	\$35.00
Wilkinson, Jim & Patsy, Reva SD.....	5.....	Ewe.....	153.....	\$33.00

Slaughter Bucks

SD Consignment.....	5.....	Buck.....	198.....	\$48.00
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“Building Main Street, not Wall Street” Community Branding, More Important Than Ever!

While communities certainly have more on their minds these days, it is never too early to start thinking how your community is going to position yourself moving forward post virus. If your community has never really focused on their brand, now is the time to start thinking about that. With the whole travel market undergoing a massive shift, your local brand will be more critical now than ever before. How others view your community will be the difference between prospering and struggling in the future.

Why do we need a brand or what good does it do for us? Compare your community to a ship; a community without a brand is much like a ship without a rudder. Your brand is critical if you wish to compete in the ever more increasingly competitive community job and tourism attraction game.

What is a brand? A brand is a perception; it isn't a cute slogan or logo. It is what people think of you, it is not what you think of yourself, unless of course those two go hand-in-hand. Too often, communities create brands upon how they view themselves. This can cause disconnects with the very people they are trying to attract to their community. The most successful brands promote emotion, excitement and feeling. Brands create the why, not the location or the activity.

Let me start with this. When potential visitors search for

John Newby

what they will be doing on their next vacation, they rarely search by location first. They search by activity first followed by a potential location. A great example might be if someone is looking to go boating or fishing, they are going to search boating or fishing hot spots. They don't search location and then hope they find fishing or boating. Nearly all communities get it backwards when marketing and branding their community as they concentrate on the location. What their community has to offer is promoted secondary.

Brands need to be very focused to be effective. The broader the focus; the less effective. You can't try and be everything to everybody. You will fail with this strategy. While marketing is important; understand that successful brands rely on much more than marketing. Great branding relies upon a viable product. Too many communities piece together their brands only to disappoint. They think their brand is one thing; when visitors come expecting that, they are disappointed. This sets your community back many years as it is difficult to rebound from false advertising of your brand.

Creating successful brands are difficult at best. Brands need to be created with both inside and outside perspectives. Focus groups are the absolute worst way to create brands. They usually lead to localized thinking and typically get

watered down to keep everyone happy. Just as bad as focus groups can be, local politics can produce equally bad results. Local politics have killed as many great ideas and brands as focus groups. While focus groups and political opinions do have a place in the community, branding isn't one of those places other than to possibly help align efforts. While local input is critical, often brand creation is best done with an outside perspective guiding the inside thinking.

Patience can serve a great role in branding. You may have a great branding idea, but are not quite ready as a community to present or offer the impact needed to succeed. Be sure whatever brand you settle on, you can deliver. If you fail to deliver, all your advertising, marketing and efforts will be for naught. When building your brand, think beyond the now. Where do you want to be in 5 or 10 years as a community? Build your brand for the long haul, not for just today.

Make no mistake; branding is one of the most critical elements for a community to get exactly right. You can't afford to get it wrong. The world is becoming much more competitive and this includes communities. If you are going to compete in the world of tourism and job attraction, your brand will be a vital element in that competition. Don't cut corners on this element of your community's message, for without this portion of the message, you are a book without a plot, one that will get put down never to be picked-up again.

John A. Newby, author of the “Building Main Street, Not Wall Street” column and Facebook group. His email at: john@360MediaAlliance.net.
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The Good Stuff

by Jim Thompson


Editor's note: Jim Thompson takes motivational stories that listeners and readers send him and incorporates them into his program called "The Good Stuff." It has been on the air for more than 10 years.



I don't know if we'll ever get back to this, but nearly 90 years ago this made sense...and it brings back so great memories.

The 1930's Flour Sack

by Colleen B. Hubert



In that long ago time when things were saved, When roads were graveled and barrels were staved, And there were no plastic wrap or bags, And the well and the pump were way out back, A versatile item, was the flour sack.

Pillsbury's Best, Mother's and Gold Medal, too Stamped their names proudly in purple and blue. The string sewn on top was pulled and kept, The flour emptied and spills were swept. The bag was folded and stored in a sack, That durable, practical flour sack.

The sack could be filled with feathers and down, For a pillow, or t'would make a nice sleeping gown. It could carry a book and be a school bag, Or become a mail sack slung over a nag. It made a very convenient pack, That adaptable, cotton flour sack.

Bleached and sewn, it was dutifully worn As bibs, diapers, or kerchief adorned. It was made into skirts, blouses and slips; And mom braided rugs from one hundred strips. She made ruffled curtains for the house or the shack, From that humble but treasured flour sack!

As a strainer for milk or apple juice, To wave men in, it was a very good use, As a sling for a sprained wrist or a break, To help mother roll up a jelly cake, As a window shade or to stuff a crack, We used a sturdy, common flour sack!

As dish towels, embroidered or not, They covered up dough, helped pass pans so hot, Tied up dishes for neighbors in need, And for men out in the field to seed. They dried dishes from pan, not rack That absorbent, handy flour sack!

We polished and cleaned stove and table, Scoured and scrubbed from cellar to gable, We dusted the bureau and oak bed post, Made costumes for October (a scary ghost) And a parachute for a cat named jack. From that lowly, useful old flour sack!

So now my friends, when they ask of you As curious youngsters often do; "Before plastic wrap, and Elmer's glue Before paper towels, what did you do?" Tell them loudly and clear, And with pride don't lack; "Grandmother had that wonderful flour sack!"

South Dakota Pork Council Honors Producers

SIoux FALLS, SD - The South Dakota Pork Producers Council recognized the Paul Brandt Family with the 6th Annual Family of the Year Award during the Master Pork Producers Banquet earlier this year in Sioux Falls.

The award was created to honor a pork-producing family who has contributed to the long-term success of the industry through leadership and pork promotion on the local, state or /and national level.

Paul Brandt and his wife, Lisa, live on a 5th generation family farm near Clear Lake, SD. Paul, and his twin brother Joel, operate Brandt Farms Inc, a diversified custom hog feeding operation, a cow/calf and feeder cattle operation, a diversified crop operation, and a seed sales business. Paul, a shareholder in Supreme Pork, Inc., which includes a 3300 head sow farm, with custom nurseries and finishers, receives pigs from this company into his custom hog feeding business. Paul is also a shareholder in Supreme Welding, Inc., a custom welding business in Clear Lake. Paul is a SDSU graduate with a degree in agronomy.

He currently serves on the Deuel County Zoning Board,

the United Methodist Church council, and the Deuel County Memorial Hospital Board of Directors. He was a President of the South Dakota Pork Producers Council and currently sits on the Production and Profitability Committee and the Public Policy Committee. He was involved in Operation Main Street, was 2006 Master Pork Producer, and was a Pork Act delegate or a NPPC delegate to the National Pork Forum for many years.

Lisa has been an educator for over 29 years. She is currently a 3rd grade teacher in Castlewood, SD. She loves her job and the challenges and rewards that go with it. She is the leader of the Dakota Clovers 4-H club and enjoys planning and hosting project days. Lisa also judges at achievement days and fashion review at local and state levels. Paul and Lisa have 4 kids.

Paul and Lisa attributes the success of their operation to the help provided by their family and the 3 full time, long term employees, and the long term committed employees of Su-

preme Pork. Paul's dream is to one day involve all the kids in the farming operation in some manner.



The South Dakota Pork Producers Council (SDPPC) also honored Steve Rommerein from Alcester,

South Dakota with the Dedicated and Distinguished Service Award at the Master Pork Producers Banquet.

"The Dedicated and Distinguished Service Award recognizes an individual who provides outstanding and dedicated service to South Dakota's pork industry; and Steve certainly has demonstrated this type of service to our industry. We are proud to honor him with this award," commented SDPPC Executive Board member and association services and membership committee chairman, Bill Larsen of Wolsey.

Steve and his wife Charlotte farm near Alcester, South Dakota. They have 2 daughters. Steve is the owner, manager and operator of Highland Swine, which markets 12,000 pigs annually. Steve and his family are

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5. Jamie Howlett	Rapid City, SD	\$35,527.84	
22. Shane O'Connell	Rapid City, SD	\$12,936.64	
Steer Wrestling:			
8. Jace Melvin	Ft. Pierre, SD	\$22,048.86	
13. Eli Lord	Sturgis, SD	\$15,734.01	
43. Taz Olson	Prairie City, SD	\$7,079.27	
Team Roping Headers:			
37. Jr. Dees	Aurora, SD	\$7,676.90	
Team Roping Heelers:			
42. Levi Lord	Sturgis, SD	\$7,241.36	
Saddle Bronc:			
5. Shorty Garrett	Eagle Butte, SD	\$40,317.47	
6. Cole Elshere	Faith, SD	\$34,532.81	
12. Taygen Schuelke	Newell, SD	\$21,004.30	
18. Lane Schuelke	Newell, SD	\$14,326.73	
26. Chuck Schmidt	Keldron, SD	\$11,075.69	
35. Ty Manke	Rapid City, SD	\$8,818.33	
37. Jade Blackwell	Rapid City, SD	\$8,461.06	
40. Jacob Kammerer	Philip, SD	\$6,683.05	
Tie-Down Roping:			
None as of 4/1			
Steer Roping:			
4. Jess Tierney	Hermosa, SD	\$13,129.70	
28. Ora Taton	Rapid City, SD	\$3,905.72	
34. J.R. Olson	Whitewood, SD	\$2,734.00	
Barrel Racing:			
17. Lisa Lockhart	Oelrichs, SD	\$13,938.88	
25. Jessica Routier	Buffalo, SD	\$11,185.00	
46. Amanda Harris	Spearfish, SD	\$6,840.38	
Bull Riding:			
48. Wyatt Gregg	Belle Fourche, SD	\$7,483.41	

Easter Snowfall Totals			
Inches	Location	State	County
15.00	1 S DEADWOOD	SD	LAWRENCE
13.00	LEAD	SD	LAWRENCE
12.00	2 S LEAD	SD	LAWRENCE
10.90	1 NW PIEDMONT	SD	MEADE
10.00	2 NNW SAINT ONGE	SD	LAWRENCE
9.50	1 SSW BELLE FOURCHE	SD	BUTTE
9.00	DWTN SPEARFISH	SD	LAWRENCE
7.50	STURGIS	SD	MEADE
7.50	1 SSE BELLE FOURCHE	SD	BUTTE
7.00	WHITEWOOD	SD	LAWRENCE
6.50	4 NNW WHITEWOOD	SD	LAWRENCE
6.00	1 N BELLE FOURCHE	SD	BUTTE
5.00	1 E NEWELL	SD	BUTTE
5.00	5 ESE ELM SPRINGS	SD	MEADE
4.00	7 NNE CAMP CROOK	SD	HARDING
4.00	BUFFALO	SD	HARDING
4.00	1 WNW HOOVER	SD	BUTTE
4.00	6 SSW ELM SPRINGS	SD	MEADE
3.00	3 SSE HARDING	SD	HARDING
3.00	OPAL	SD	MEADE
3.00	8 E MARTIN	SD	BENNETT
1.50	3 S REDIG	SD	HARDING
1.20	5 SW LODGEPOLE	SD	PERKINS

Data provided by National Weather Service Office Rapid City

also part owners in SDI Pork LLC, which finishes 120,000 hogs annually.

The South Dakota Pork Producers Council (SDPPC) elected Craig Andersen, a pork producer from Centerville, SD, to serve as president.

Andersen stated "I am honored to have been selected to be the SD Pork Producers President for 2020. Our hog industry is growing in the state which is enabling many of our young people to come back to the farm. My hope is that we grow our hog industry responsibly and with respect for our neighbors. I ask each of you to share your story with others so that we can all understand modern pork production. Our staff at the office is exceptional

and if you have any questions, please call the office and they are more than willing to answer your questions."

The board also elected Shane Odegaard of Lake Preston, SD as first vice president; Adam Krause of Clear Lake, SD as second vice president. Also elected to serve on the Executive Board were Dan Howell of Volga, SD; Levi Wollman of Ethan, SD; Brent Greenway of Mitchell, SD and Lenny Gross of Forbes, ND. Robert Rasmussen of Viborg, SD; Justin Rothschadel of Tyndall, SD; and Paul Wipf of Frankfort, SD were re-elected to serve a 2nd 3-year term to serve on the South Dakota Pork Producers Council Executive Board.

Community Splashpad Kit Arrives

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NEWELL – Thursday, April 9, was the day the Newell Improvement Corporation has been waiting for since they first started planning back in November 2018, when a group of five women met briefly at the Blue Line diner to brainstorm. Less than a year-and-a-half of fundraising and grant writing, the community’s new splashpad kit is stored safely in Newell, waiting for the hole to be dug, pipe to be laid and setup to begin.

It was an exciting day as board member Judy Dague directed the unloading of the pallets of components and city Foreman Larry Parker facilitated the process with a skid loader.

With the outbreak of the Covid-19 virus it is not certain just when the groundbreaking ceremony will take place. It had been planned by the group for April 22 but when the group had their most recent meeting via Zoom, they decided to wait a bit to determine the next step.

However, the location of the splashpad is staked out in the North Park and the excavation is on the way. Shawn Donovan, of Bo’s Landscaping in Belle Fourche is secured for the underground work and Heartland Electric and Black Hills Energy have teamed up to work on the electrical components.

Croell Redimix will supply the concrete and the group is currently seeking volunteers with concrete work experience to help with the finishing work. They are also looking for donations of a couple of benches to place alongside the pad for parents/guardians to sit while their children play. Any offers of volunteer labor or supplies, including PVC pipe would be appreciated and can be directed to an email contact at newellimprovementcommittee@gmail.com.

It is the hope of the group that they can still work toward a June opening but that remains to be seen with the current health situation.

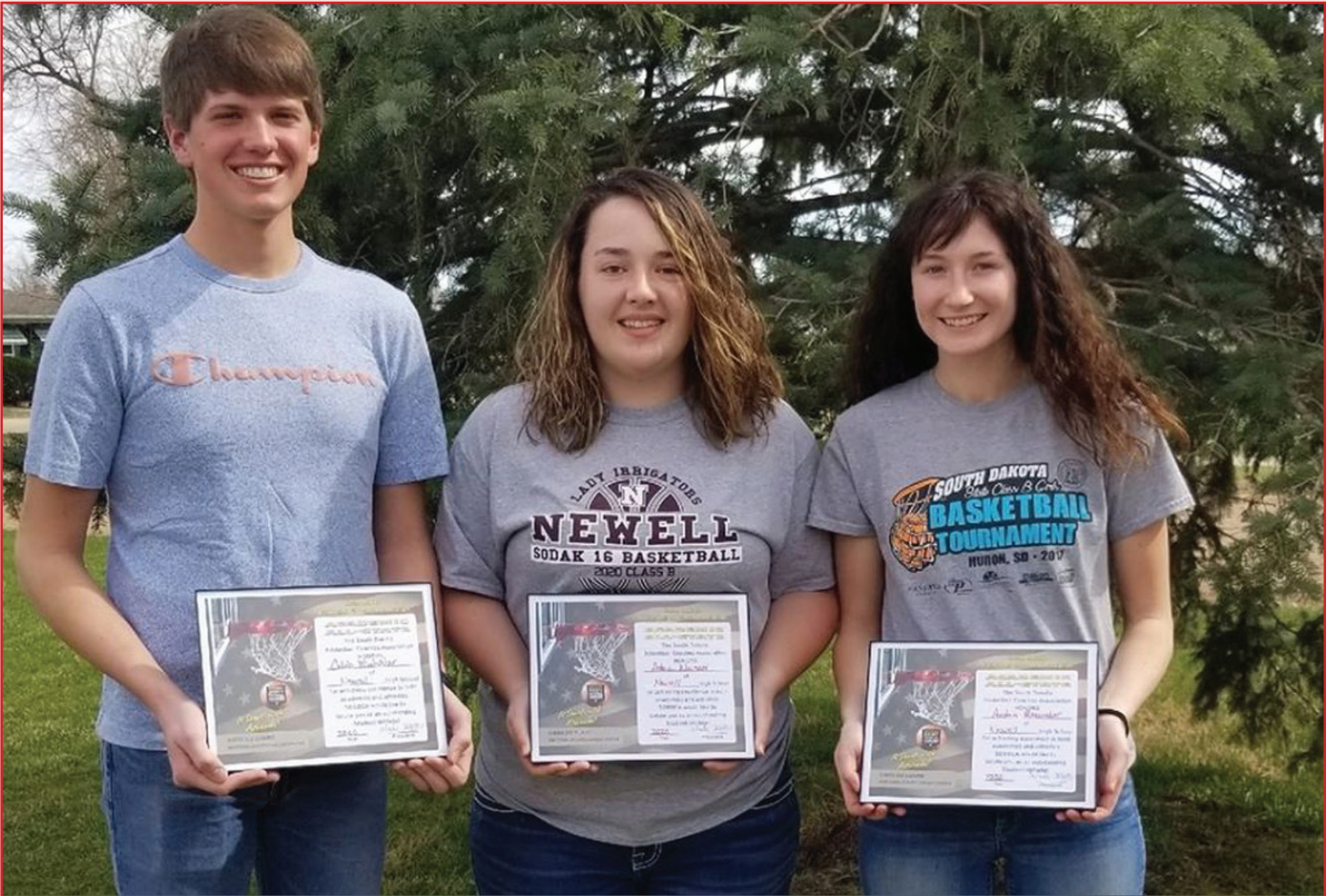
They are also still looking for donations to “finish out” the labor and supplies that they may need to pay for.

“It was exciting to see the kit come in and especially nice that the city crew took one look at that water tank and realized they needed a larger storage space (than we had planned),” said Dague.



Soon to Be Unboxed - Because one of the boxes was a little crushed the crew checked it out after they had unloaded it. This component is a blue mushroom water feature that will be part of the North Park Splashpad in Newell. - NIC photo

Academic Award Winners



OUTSTANDING IN THEIR ARENAS - Caleb Mutchler, Abbie Nelson and Austin Alexander were recognized for their Academic All State for the sport of basketball. - Courtesy photo

Celebration for Newell HS Seniors Planned

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NEWELL – Although lots of things have been canceled or postponed in the past few weeks, many other things are still happening. Parents of seniors at NHS are planning a celebration of sorts even though school has been canceled through the end of the year. One thing that is planned is to place the banners of each student that hung in Austin Auditorium in the store window at Howdy’s Newmart to honor them. Other events will unfold as plans are finalized and it gets closer to the end of the normal school year.

In other school news, congratulations go out to Caleb Mutchler, Abbie Nelson and Austin Alexander for earning the award of Academic All State for the sport of basketball. Each student is recognized for their standard of excellence in their academics while participating in the sport.

This week will be a “catch-up” week for Newell students, with no new classwork assigned. The next drop-off/pick-up day will be scheduled for April 20.

The school continues to send messages to the students’ parents about schedules and other information.

On April 6, Governor Noem recommended that schools stay closed through the end of the school year and continue with online education. The district will follow that recommendation and this includes all buildings, and all activities. The administration encourages students to continue completing assignments to receive credit for their courses.

Along with the current “stay-at-home” policy that is encouraged by those in government, there has been an influx of “teach at home” help for parents. There are also many companies providing contests for students as well as printable sheets. One person who has taken an interest in doing this is former Newell resident Jan Swan Wood.

She is a western artist and has provided several cartoon drawings for students to enjoy coloring.

Another option for kids and families to remember this time is to create a “Lockdown 2020” plaque with salt dough, rolling



it out and placing each family members hand impression in the dough. It is then baked and the kids can paint the hands and have a plaque to hang on the wall or place in a garden as a remembrance of the time they spent together.

Town cleanup is still being planned for the week of May 4-8 with rubble site fees waived for Newell Town residents on May 2 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. You can call for an appointment if you can’t come during that time. With the lockdown time, now is a good time to clean out and plan what to get rid of

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Politics During the “New” Norm

I hope this finds every one well and able to cope with the difficulties that the Covid-19 pandemic is causing. We are certainly going through a period that people will talk about for years to come , and the stories of the changes in our daily routines whether temporary or permanent will be remembered for a long time .

For the most part we in western South Dakota have responded well to the crisis by staying home as much as possible, but in the agricultural world we all know life goes on. Livestock’s needs and now farm work won’t wait for an all-clear from the government. I think for the most part our Governor has done the right thing in letting communities decide what is best for them. This week she extended the declaration of the emergency and declared a health emergency in Minnehaha county. The hog slaughter plant there has become a hot spot for the virus and 190 workers there have tested positive for Covid-19. This certainly doesn’t help the meat shortage issue as they are closing down for several days to clean and disinfect.



Tom Brunner
Legislative Report

A lot of stores are experiencing shortages of hamburger as some of the major beef processing plants are slowing production and at the same time farm prices for commodities has crashed. In a conversation with the head of the Animal Industry Board I found out that many of the small butcher plants around the state are trying to increase production in that they are requesting more days of state meat inspection.

The Governor also declared that schools will not reopen this school year. Maybe this is a relief for some in that they now know what lies ahead for the school year but certainly a disappointment for those high school seniors involved in extra

curricular activities or even some hands on career technical learning.

This pandemic certainly has changed the way elections and campaigning is going to take place. The Secretary of State is going to mail every registered voter an application for an absentee ballot. You will still have to submit it and request a ballot. We don’t know what the conditions will be by the June 2nd primary election so a heavy absentee vote is anticipated. The other issue is poll workers, since this is a volunteer job we’re not sure how many poll workers even want to be there. I know they all take their work very seriously and we need to keep their safety in mind.

As far as campaigning goes I guess door-to-door is out of the question. There are a lot of races around the state that will be decided at the primary level so my guess is print media and electronic messaging will be the new norm.

Stay well my friends and enjoy the beautiful spring that will come soon but apparently not for a few days.

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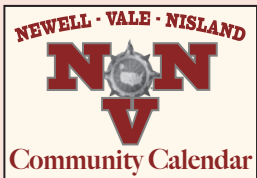


Vale Community Hall Patiently Waits for Next Meeting



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Newell City Elections Postponed

The city of Newell has postponed their city elections, due to legislation at the state level, which prohibits holding elections at local levels. This legislation, House Bill 1298, was signed by Governor Noem. The election will be designated at the next regular monthly meeting.

Church Livestreaming

Sunday, April 17: Livestream church services. Nisland Independent Community Church, 11 a.m., Newell Evangelical church 10:30 a.m., Vale Community Country Church 11 a.m.

School Information

Per Governor Noem's recommendation, Newell School will remain through the school year. This closure includes all activities and all buildings, unless authorized by the superintendent. This is a "catch-up" week for the school. New packets to be handed out April 20.

April 24/25-Rapid City High School Rodeo canceled.

Thursday, April 23: NVN Food Bank open to the public. The Local Food Bank (Newell) crew has been working hard to Pre-Box grocery items to be handed out to those who may need them. Due to the COVID19 Virus situation they will be using extra precautions for their safety and yours. The Food Bank will continue to be open at the NVN Senior Center on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from 9 to 11 a.m. If you

are elderly, sick or shut in and would like to have boxes delivered to you please call the Newell City Office at 605-456-2737 to make arrangements for pickup and/or delivery. Nisland residents call Rhonda Vallery at 605-257-2365.

Nisland/Arpan Fire & Rescue in Nisland, and the Newell Christian Fellowship Church in Newell are on the lookout for helping those in need. NAVFR is planning to deliver boxes of groceries anyone in the Nisland area who needs supplies. Please call Stan Lewis at 605-645-0813 or Public Information Officer Colleen Brunner at 605-645-9976 and leave a message with your name and phone number and specific need. One of them will contact you to make arrangements. The Newell church will take orders for supplies needed. Send a FB message or text/call 605-569-2643 to place an order and arrange for delivery/payment. Also, text/call/message if you would volunteer to shop for others while you are getting your supplies.

Butte County Highway Department: The bridge over Indian Creek on Mail Road will be closed for a few weeks for re-decking. Please check back for updates on its reopening.

Many healthcare facilities are requesting face-masks AND headbands with buttons sewn to the sides to save the ears of those healthcare workers. Contact Lynette Rhoden locally or contact Colleen Brunner to help provide supplies and or funding so you can help out at Ft. Meade. Monument Health is also hoping for help. Contact Holly N Dave Ollila for information there.

May 2/3: High School Rodeo in Huron is canceled at this time.

June 23: The city of Newell has postponed their city elections, due to legislation at the state level, which prohibits holding elections at local levels. This legislation, House Bill 1298, was signed by Governor Noem.



Easter Display - Many churches in the area had empty sanctuaries on one of the most frequently attended holidays during the year due to Covid-19. Nonetheless it didn't take away from this display at Nisland Independent Community Church at Nisland, highlighting the Easter season. - *Brunner photo*

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during the isolation period.

Things that can be brought to the site include debris that is non-burnable, including concrete, brick, stonework, asphalt, concrete block, fiber-glass shingles, painted, treated, or stained wood, insulation and similar wastes, excluding cardboard. You can also bring scrap lumber, untreated wood, trees and tree branches. Items such as old furniture, mattresses and similar waste is approved. White goods, such as washers, dryers, stoves, water heaters and other recyclable scrap metals, excluding fuel tanks, are approved. Refrigerators and freezers MUST be certified Freon free by a plumber. Scrap tires will be taken for a fee but need to be paid before pickup.

Butte Electric has posted some helpful information for supporting its members who may be experiencing financial stress and difficulties during the COVID-19 outbreak. They will do everything to avoid disconnecting energy services due to non-payment. There are many energy assistance programs including: Low Income Energy Assistance-605-578-12941, Salvation Army Northern

Hills-605-722-4321, Church Response Serving Northern Hills-605-342-5360, Society of St. Vincent de Paul-605-519-8583. Or you can call Butte Electric at 605-456-2494 or 1-800-928-8839 to create a payment plan.

Many of the local churches will be empty on one of the most highly attended holidays of the year, Easter Sunday. Barbara Garness, a member of Nisland Independent Community Church, spent some time at the church this past week decorating inside and out, even though the church would be empty on Sunday morning. Pastor Doug Clark opened the church for personal prayer time this past week, allowing people to come and go as they wished, and also enjoy the Easter décor. He has been streaming services, as have many other churches in the NVN area. The church has been streaming their services via their Facebook page each Sunday morning since March 22. He also presented a devotional on Wednesday this past week, as well as the Easter Sunday service. Other churches streaming or video-recording in the area are the Vale Community Country Church, Newell Evangelical and Newell Christian Fellowship.

Then and Now *in Newell*

from the Newell Museum

“Looking Forward to our Past” by Linda Velder

April 24, 1910

There will be preaching and Congregational Sunday School in the Sooter house next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 PM

Carpenter Jack Wieham began building a 14'x24' addition to Mr. Bratton's implement house the first of the week. H. O. Calhoun brought in 2 loads of goods for the N.M. Bratton's store Saturday evening from White-wood.

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April 15, 1920

On Saturday at 2:35 PM April 24 there will be a Community Day. An Arbor Day program and flag rising will be given. Two speakers of note in the state will address the patrons on "consolidation". In addition to this; plans for a teacherage will be discussed. A picnic supper will be served in the evening.

Lieutenant Stephenson of Ft. Pierre was an arrival in Newell yesterday for a visit. Lieut. Stephenson is the aviator who made the exhibition and passenger flights at our air strip last fall. He is also interested in the establishment of the aero school here.

Bringing from South Hampton, England, bodies of 87 American soldiers who died in the service of the country on foreign soil, the Army Funeral Transport Nansemond docked in New York, her flag at half-mast. The bodies were those of enlisted men, most of who

died during the war at aviation and base camps in Great Britain. From the post they will be shipped to virtually every state in the Union including those who claimed the Black Hills as home. Each body, encased in a metal lined flag-draped casket, will be accompanied by a soldier, made up if possible of men who served in the same regiment as the deceased.

April 17, 1930

A fire-proof garage building 50'x76' will soon be under course of construction by Gardner Bros & O. Brennaman, proprietors of Butch's Garage. The new structure will be added to the rear of the 2-story building now occupied by the firm. The frame building occupied by Cola Clark as a blacksmith shop is now being torn down to make way for the new concrete structure, which will extend to the alley. The new building will be used for shop and stock room and car storage.

April 18, 1940

Much progress is reported by the Butte Electric Association, the name of a Federal Electric project, which has been in the process of making for several weeks and on which meetings have been held. Community leaders: Martin Williamson and Earl Alexander Vale; Clark Spencer Nisland; Rudolph Longpre Arpan; Albert Fredlund, Carl A. Anderson, Wm Schmele and Edward Breidenbach all of Newell were advised by the REA in Washington to proceed to organize a corporation and to draw up Articles of Corporation and a Charter to do business. 300 families in the southern Butte, northern Meade, and northern Lawrence Counties are showing much interest in the enterprise.

Completion of a deal for purchase of the tile and stucco Newell Implement Co building from Govert Van derBoom in Newell for a city and community hall proposal was announced here this week by the Newell City Commission. The city plans to submit a WPA Project for the improvement to include city finance office, upper meeting rooms, room for house fire equipment, jail and possibly a meeting or auditorium, but expect co operation from Fire Department and the American Legion before such remodeling might be realized. Several organizations and individuals have long-felt need for such a building. Van derBoom & Sons will start construction of a new implement and farm machinery building here by July 1.



Gassin' Up - This is a photo of the Gardner Garage & Blacksmith Shop (center right) and Butch's Garage which can be seen in the background. These buildings were the ones most likely replaced by newer structures. Red Crown Gasoline was made by Standard Oil Company.



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County Commissioners Mull Date to Re-Open County Buildings

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BELLE FOURCHE – In the first regularly scheduled county commission meeting via Zoom things went pretty well. Although they dealt with several other things on the agenda, that major share of the time talking about the Covid virus and how to deal with things as far as county offices are concerns.

“That’s a good idea when we do eventually open up,” said Chairman Stan Harms, referring to both employees and visitors to county offices wearing face masks. He also referred to the possibility of May 1 as that date, but nothing had been confirmed and it could be June or “whenever,” according to Harms.

Sheriff Fred Lamphere said that his office had a few hundred masks and could get them dispersed to the different offices. He said, “Whoever lets them in the door will have to have a spot where they (visitors) can put one on. These would be throwaway ones.” Lamphere joked and said he had scribbled a mustache on his so that people would know who he was.



One big discussion included the election and what that might look like.

“We need to make sure that right is available to anyone who wants to exercise it,” said Deputy State’s Attorney LeEllen McCartney. “The Secretary of State will be mailing out a letter to all voters, because of Covid 19 and South Dakota requirements, voters should consider voting by absentee ballot.”

McCartney said the papers would be willing to help publicize that information. She also said Auditor Elaine Jensen would send out a letter similar to the Secretary of State, that

includes an application for an absentee ballot.

“That’s the safest way to vote during this period,” said McCartney. She did say though, that they still needed to plan to have poll workers for those who were not willing to vote absentee. They discussed how best to safeguard both the voters and the election workers. “We can encourage but we can’t require (them to vote absentee),” she said.

She said that she and Jensen had been brainstorming ideas and one idea was to narrow the polling places to just two, which

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Looking Back in Belle

Looking Back, Belle -- These articles come from newspaper microfilm from the Belle Fourche Public library, using a new micro-film reader and printer. The photographs are from the Tri-State Museum. Today's article is created by using Pioneer Footprints, published in 1964 by Black Hills Half Century, Johnny's journal located at- The Center for Western Studies, Augustana University, Sioux Falls, SD and Johnny and Nellie's own story in Belle Fourche Bee during their visit in 1928. Additional information comes History of Butte County, South Dakota, published 1982

“Buckskin Johnny” Spaulding and the First Settlement of the Belle Fourche River and Lower Redwater

Buckskin Johnny Spaulding is given a credit for being the first white settler in the Belle Fourche area; he arrived in 1876 with other adventurers coming through Buffalo Gap and Crook City. He and several other scout/hunters began hunting in the area north of Deadwood and selling provisions to the miners. Buckskin fell in love with the wide-open prairies and soon wrote to his brother-in-law Thomas and his sister Lucinda Davis. Tom and his son William arrived the following year and helped Johnny finish his log cabin. This log cabin still exists on the campus of the Tri-State Museum. The Spaulding family pride themselves of being great carpenters and builders; they were early settlers of the American colony of Massachusetts. The Fairbanks House in Dedham, Massachusetts is a historic house built ca. 1641, making it the oldest surviving timber-frame house in North America that has been verified by dendrochronology testing. Puritan settler Jonathan Fairbanks constructed the farm house for his wife Grace (née Smith) and their family. The house was occupied and then



passed down through eight generations of the family until the early 20th century. Johnny and Lucinda and their brother Jabez’s greatgrandmother was Sally Fairbank who married Clement Spaulding. The Spaulding family moved west into Wisconsin where the siblings were born Johnny in 1849, Lucinda in 1844 and Jabez in 1842. Jabez and his family moved to the Belle Fourche area too; he was a blacksmith in Minnesela, Snoma, and Belle



Fourche. His wife Mary Odell Spaulding is buried in the Minnesela Cemetery and Jabez in Pineslope Cemetery.

Lucinda and rest of their family -5 children arrived the next year; welcomed by a raging blizzard and a beautiful new home. Johnny and Tom has completed a two-story home. The cabin was constructed from logs cut from the timber near Deadwood, hauling them down to the west bank of the Redwater. They were peeled and squared to fit together. Because of concern of hostile Indians there were several port holes in case of attack. The Davis family settled into the cabin and lived there until 1883 when they moved north and settled in the Short Pine Hills. There are descendants of the Davises still living in this area.

Johnny continued to hunt and supply meat to the mining areas, hunting in the Bear Lodge for deer, elk, and bear During his time in the Redwater area he helped develop the Redwater water rights. He and Bill Tomlins posted a notice claiming all the water available to them. Years later there was of course a dispute over this claim; Johnny was asked to testify where he identified Bill’s writing and the claim. The certification was upheld.

In 1896 he moved to California where he settled on a angora goat and mule farm. He served in the Spanish-American War and was sent to the Philipines. As he was 45 when the war broke out, at first they would not take him; but when he challenged them to a foot race and won, he was allowed to join. After his return from the war, he continued raising horses until he tired of it and went to live in a Veteran’s Home in Yountville, California.

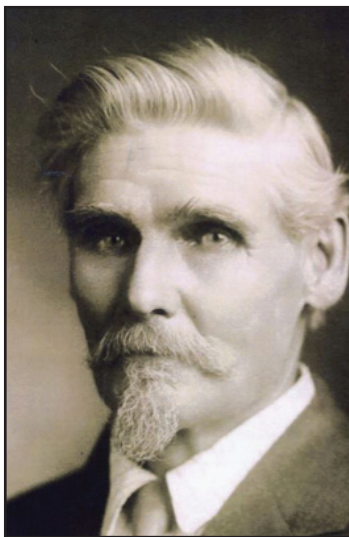
Buckskin Johnny’s story is known because he was well educated and kept a daily diary during his adventures. This diary has been donated to the Center of American Studies in Sioux Falls. Many of both the Spaulding and Davis memorabilia is also available at the Tri-State Museum. A final chapter of Johnny’s story begins with a tragic story at the beginning of his life. This final chapter was shared when he made a trip to visit the “old neighborhood” and visit his sister Lucinda Davis in 1928.

In 1873 he became engaged to his childhood sweetheart, Nettie Dadds, and left Wisconsin for a new frontier in Kansas, promising his bride-to-be that he would make a dream home for their honeymoon. In Kansas he tool up buffalo hunting for

the hide harvesting, selected a home site near the Republican River, built a cabin on the land, and plowed some sod. He wrote glowing letters to Nettie but there were no letters in return. One day his aunt wrote to him that Nettie had married another. Heartbroken Johnny Spaulding walked out of the dream home in Kansas never to return. His lonely life was to have a storybook ending. His brother Jabez was attending a national GAR (Grand Army of the Republic association) meeting where he ran into Nettie’s sister who shared the “rest of the story” or part of it; telling Jabez that Nettie would love to see Johnny. They learned that Nettie had never recieved any of Johnny’s letters, that the uncle (by marriage) had intercepted and destroyed all letters from Johnny and her other relatives and friends so she would think she had been deserted and would marry him. Spaulding, then 77 and Nettie were married in 1927, and Spaulding promised her a honeymoon under frontier conditions. Back in California he bought a isolated little farm called “Lake Hallow.” Johnny and Nettie were very happy in their nountain retreat. They gardered and raised turkeys and made their home there until his death in 1932. Nettie died shortly after Johnny’s death.



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Grand River Roundup

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This week started out feeling like summer and changed back into winter with the snowstorm over Easter weekend with freezing temperatures.

There was a fire just north of our mailbox along the highway on Monday. Don't know what started it, but it was right below the powerline so it may have been something like the fire at the Hackamore that started when an eagle dropped a snake on the powerline up there. This fire didn't burn a very big area because the firemen got it put out pretty quick.

Starla and Kami Jensen came down to visit Amanda Tuesday afternoon and brought her some Easter egg dye so Amanda and the little people could color Easter eggs. Reub was farming in the field down the creek and he was close enough to home to come home for lunch. Mary Eggebo called that afternoon to let him know that the governor of North Dakota had shut down all the businesses like hers because of the China virus so she could give him his treatment on Friday. He was bummed out!

We lost another old friend this week. Bob Crow, age 89, passed away on April 7 with family members by his side. A private family service was held on Friday at Blessed Sacrament Church in Bison.†A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date with burial at the Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

I don't know about you, but I'm getting sick of all things that are canceled because of the China virus that hasn't killed as many people as the flu does every year. The only people that were able to be here for Easter dinner were the ones that live here on the ranch. Bryce and Braxton were planning to come home for Easter, but anyone leaving Wyoming will be quar-

antined for two weeks when they go back home so Braxton wouldn't be able to go to work after they got home.

Reub and I went to Aberdeen on Wednesday to get springs for his old toolbar from Meyers Salvage. We went through Isabel to get there and were stopped at a checkpoint north of

Timberlake by deputies from the Cheyenne Indian Reservation that were checking everyone crossing the reservation because of the virus. They would allow commercial vehicles to cross the rez, but out of state vehicles that were non-commercial were turned back. They were all wearing facemasks and the deputy that interviewed us was a fun guy. When we came home on highway 12 through the Standing Rock Reservation they weren't stopping anyone on that reservation. With all that social distancing we did, we put 540 miles on the pickup and didn't get home until after dark.

Harding County has a new trapper. Danial Liane and his family moved to Buffalo to start his new job with GF&P. He called me this week and we had a good visit. If you need to get in touch with him, his cell phone number is 605-381-4482, so if you're having trouble with predators give him a call.

Trig went to Spearfish on Thursday to take an organic chemistry test at BHSU and came back home that evening. The Maunday Thursday potluck supper and service was at Slim Buttes Lutheran that evening with some delicious roast lamb served with all the goodies that everyone else brought.

Peg Johnson turned 99 years old on Good Friday and several of her kids and grandkids went to Rapid City to help her celebrate her birthday. They weren't allowed to be in the same room with her, but she got to see them all through the window and hear them sing to her. Happy

py Birthday Peg!!

Friday was a beautiful, warm day. My laundry got dry on the clothesline in the 62 degree weather and I spent the afternoon raking the yard. I burned five wheel barrows full of stuff before the wind came up late that afternoon and I had to stop before I started a prairie fire. Jarett Jensen and Trig went to Buffalo that day to help Forest Sainsbury and some other guys do some roofing.

It snowed most of Saturday and really cooled off. It never got above freezing and felt like winter again so I spent all day in the house cooking for Easter dinner here. Slim Buttes Lutheran had sunrise service at 7:00 Easter Sunday morning with a pancake and sausage breakfast afterwards. Because of the snow, the Easter eggs hunt was held in the church basement. There weren't as many people in church as usual, but still a lot of folks came to celebrate Easter with us, unlike a lot of churches that only had their Easter service on-line.

It also snowed on Easter Sunday stayed below freezing. Taz and Amanda and their kids, Casey, Missy and Trig joined Reub and me for Easter dinner. We're still busy calving and lambing, so we don't get very far away, but Taz and Amanda and the kids went up to RonE and Starla Jensen's for supper that evening to celebrate Easter and Jarett's birthday that day.

Here are a couple knock, knock Easter jokes to crack you up:

Knock, knock!
Who's there?
Alma.
Alma who?
Alma Easter candy is gone. Can I have some more?

Knock Knock
Who's there?
Some bunny
Some bunny who?
Some bunny has been eating my Easter candy!

Capitol News

are staying home like everyone else. Shirley enjoyed church on the radio from Sturgis at ten, and from Baker at eleven on Easter. They had about three inches of snow in the two-day storm.

Alex Moncur and Daeson had help this week with calving. Jodi Richter and the kids spent the week helping with calving. Dale and Darwin came out for the weekend, and they all had Easter dinner together on Sunday. Lloyd stayed in town and had Easter dinner with Leone. Alex is on the down hill slide of calving, now.

Dorothy and Dawn Padden made a trip to Bowman for repairs and groceries on Wednesday. Brenton, Kany and Brylen Padden went in to Camp Crook on Saturday for the Easter Egg hunt at the Community Center. This year, the hunt became a drive-through, and each car could stop, and pick up baskets for each of the children. It was a great idea, and kept up the Easter spirit for the kids. On Sunday, they all had Easter dinner at Dorothy's, with the same people that they work with every day, but it was a wonderful meal and a good day. Calving is progressing. They had three inches of snow by Sunday.

Ronda Cordell's older cows are in full swing with calving, so with this week's cold weather, they've been very busy, and the pens have been full several times. Diane Wear is helping with calving. Ronda went to Gerald and Becky Burghduff's on Monday afternoon to help with a couple of cows. Other than that, she hasn't been away from the ranch. On Tuesday, Clint took a load of cattle to the Thursday sale at the Belle Fourche Livestock Exchange, and brought back portable

corral panels. Jon Hamilton met Clint with some groceries that Cristen Westling sent out to the ranch. Ronda joined Clint, Denise, Darby and Abby Zolnoski on Friday for an early Easter lunch outside, under their over-hang on the front of their house. It was a beautiful day, but the calm before the storm. The Easter bunny had decided that Sunday wouldn't be a good day for two little girls to hunt eggs outside, so they did that on Friday, too. Darby was quite excited for all the finds she made, but Abby seemed to not have a care in the world for hunting Easter eggs, and ran 'helter skelter' around the yard, more interested in the Christmas bulbs on the pine tree. Darby said, "It's a very good day for a picnic! On Easter Sunday, Ronda watched her usual half hour of David Jeremiah, before heading to the barns. Denise and the girls brought lunch to the 'White House', as they call the mobile home up by the new barn. It was quite chilly so watching the baby calves wasn't so much fun. Clint had stayed at the 'White House' on the last couple of cold nights, where it is just a step out the door to check calving cows. Clint, Diane and Ronda are taking turns night checking. Clint and Ronda tagged about 30 calves on Sunday.

Karen Odell got a wood splinter in her eye this week. She had on safety glasses, but the splinter flew right behind them and into her eye before she could blink. She could not go anywhere to the doctor, so after trying to wash it out, she just hoped for the best. Charlie didn't even notice when her eye swelled shut, so he was no help, but after three days, it seems to have washed out on its own, and she can see again. When Karen and Hywel took a walk on Thursday morning, it

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was like a short trip in Siberia. The sun was warming the Bahamas, but the wind was coming straight from the North Pole. The many little calves seemed not to notice the wind as they bucked and played in the pasture. That day, Charlie made a trip to Buffalo for cake, salt and groceries. On Good Friday Charlie and Karen went to church at Mollie's church in Minneapolis. It was an impressive service with a group of five readers who were beautiful vocalists; in a room with only eight candles. After each reading a candle was extinguished; until the room was in the darkness of Good Friday.

Karen and Charlie again went to church on the internet and TV on Easter. They watched Mollie's church in Minnesota, the Camp Crook Methodist on Facebook and the Tabernacle Choir on TV. Their Easter feast was not big, but it was good. Karen has kept putting activities on her Evans Odell Publishing Facebook page each day, and on Easter she put on Quarantine Activity

number 26. Cody had done a drawing that was perfect for Good Friday, so he let Karen post it that day, and by Saturday he already had 70 views. It is interesting to see how many views each art lesson gets. Karen was surprised when her 'mad scientist' got so many views. In Washington, little Murphy tried to make the triangle for the Queen of Hearts, but the straight lines were harder than the curved ones for a little pre-schooler. In the afternoon, on Easter, Mollie Smith set up a Zoom conference for the whole family, and we got to see everyone on the computer screen and talk to all the kids and grandchildren. That made Easter a great day. Jeff is much better after being so sick. It was a great Easter and we really enjoyed the day, even though we stayed home, and had only virtual visitors. Easter gives us a feeling that there might be a light at the end of the tunnel.

We care about all of you, and hope you will please keep yourselves as safe as you possibly can.

Technology Opens New Treatment Options During Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic seems to have stopped much of the world. Once busy streets and shops are empty, activities are cancelled and you may not even be going to work. One thing that the virus has not stopped is pain and injury. Some people may be having more pain and soreness in their back or neck because of all the time spent in front of the computer working at home, or there may be injuries while doing yard work or exercising to relieve stress. How can people get the care they need while staying safe and maintaining social distance?

Telehealth Technology like the internet, electronic medical records, on-line patient portals, smartphones and webcams open up treatment and intervention options that may be new to both patients and providers. Virtual platforms allow one-on-one interactions in real time. Patient portals allow uploads and updates of home exercise programs and educational materials. Patients may not be able to go to their PT, but their PT may be able to come virtually to them! Rules and regulations vary between states and insurers and are being rapidly updated to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, so the best way to find out what is available to you is to contact your physical therapist and ask! What does telehealth look like? Here are some examples to illustrate how technology can

help therapists and patients:

- A therapist might use a virtual meeting to examine a patient in real time, asking the patient questions, assessing movements, and then educating them on some exercises or stretches to treat the pain.
- A patient currently being treated by a physical therapist might log into a patient portal to send a question about an exercise from their home program. The therapist could record a video of themselves doing the exercise correctly including tips and proper techniques. That video could then be uploaded to the patient's portal for future reference.
- A therapist could use a video visit with a patient to review the patient's home and help the patient determine which furniture or other items could be used to complete their home exercise program safely.

Coronavirus hasn't stopped pain and injury, so the need for physical therapy remains just as strong as before anyone knew about "social distancing" or the best way to have a virtual meeting. Despite the challenges and unusual circumstances presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, creativity, flexibility

and technology allow physical therapists to continue delivering expert care to their patients while keeping them out of health clinics and ER departments.

Founded in 1956, the Private Practice Section of the American Physical Therapy Association champions the success of physical therapist-owned businesses. Our members are leaders and innovators in the health care system. The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) represents more than 85,000 physical therapists, physical therapist assistants and students of physical therapy nationwide. For more information, please visit www.ppsapta.org.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Lamb's pen name
5 Knot lace
8 Maori seagoing canoe
12 Concentrated (abbr.)
13 Cheer
14 King killed by Samuel
15 Ger. exclamation
16 Malt liquor
17 Tibetan priest
18 Serpent worship
20 Helm
22 Old Irish counterfeit coin
23 Bustle
24 Marvel
28 Of the eye
32 One-spot
33 Tree
35 Amer. Cancer Society (abbr.)
36 Greek letter

DOWN

- 39 Arp
42 Camel hair cloth
44 Science class
45 Evaluate
48 Plant filament
52 Legume
53 Warp yarn
55 S.A. toucan
56 Geological epoch
57 No (Scott.)
58 Included (abbr.)
59 Jack-in-the-pulpit
60 Pub fare
61 Blind in falconry

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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BEVY		EBON		KPH

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8 Smash
9 Bedouin headband cord
10 Ridge created by a glacier
11 Seaweed
19 Skin vesicle

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Area Church Schedules

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Paul Howard, Pastor

Sunday Schedule:
Long Term Care Service 8:45 a.m.

Sunday School: All ages 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m.

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Evening Service: 6 p.m.

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Andy Anderson, Pastor

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10 a.m. Sunday Worship

Wednesday: 6 p.m. Prayer Service

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Worship Pastor Ashton Rone

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Pastor Tim Smith

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Wednesday: Salt and Light Youth -

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would include Belle Fourche and Newell. It would minimize the potential for exposure.

Jensen said she is close to being ready to create the absentee ballots and that they need to be ready by April 17. She shared an idea for an early voting solution which would include setting up a special room at the city administration offices which would be accessed from the back door. It would keep from having people in a large contained area, (with) no congregating, ease of cleaning machines, and fewer people directing voters and cleaning machines.

"There are a lot of moving parts and some are spinning out of control," said McCartney. "Getting a good percentage of people voting absentee will be

half the battle."

It is a requirement in law, the Health Assistance Voting Act, to have polling places open and available to people that are disabled. According to the administration staff that is something that can't be ignored and would be solved by the special room. They also would not have to move voting machines and they would not have to set up special measures for the Total Vote system. Absentee ballots must be notarized or have a picture of the driver's license sent in with the ballot.

"We're working on that right now," said Jensen, "Trying to figure out whether we can have a messenger that can pick up ballots and bring them (and the applications as well) in, for instance, a nursing home that has several people who would want to vote."

Jensen said that the school and Butte Meade Sanitary District are not having elections and that the town of Newell was planning to wait until June 23 and have their own election to help keep the numbers down.

"Our hot spot is those voting for District 29 where there are four people running for two spots," said Jensen. "There are no county races."

The board also discussed placing a permanent receptacle for documents, including ballots outside the administration building, that is secure and big enough, according to Jensen. It needs to be some kind of commercial box, with a separate one that was large enough for the ballots.

The board discussed the building where the County Extension office is located. It will take approximately \$18,900 to remove and replace siding, repair



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window trim, add insulation and haul the rubble away. The proposal that was accepted was from Ken Thomas, and was approved with a clay color for the siding.

The also approved an air condition unit for the building to replace the window units that have been used, needing to be replaced every few years. Those units will be replaced by two dual head condensing units

with both heating and cooling. The cost is \$14,889. There will be an added cost of \$1000-\$2000 for electrical work.

State's Attorney Cassie Wendt is working from home as much as possible. There are some things she can't do for confidentiality purposes so has to come into the office, with work being accomplished in a timely way going forward.



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Scott Shoun, New Underwood, SD.....56.....Black-Hfr Bv.....547.....150.00
Lowell Faris, Bowman, ND.....38.....Black-Hfr Bv.....742.....125.00
Jim Laduke, Nisland, SD.....43.....Blk/Bw-Hfr.....582.....140.00
Leroy Tronstad, Baker, MT.....15.....Black-Hfr Bv.....736.....127.00
.....9.....Black-Hfr.....608.....139.00
Yonkee Land & Livestock, Parkman, WY.....37.....Hfr-Hfr Bv.....501.....141.00
.....41.....Blk/Bw-Hfr Bv.....533.....147.50

WEIGH UPS
Harold Tysdal, Newcastle, WY.....5.....Blk/Bw-Cow.....1369.....61.50
Robert & Alicia Olson, Hulet, WY.....8.....Black-Cow.....1357.....60.50
.....5.....Black-Cow.....1438.....58.50
.....1.....Black-Cow.....1320.....57.00
Mills Cattle LLC, Volborg, MT.....2.....Rd/Blk-Hfr.....965.....90.00
Ronda Cordell, Camp Creek, SD.....1.....Black-Cow.....1270.....60.50
.....1.....Black-Cow.....1320.....60.00
Darel & Debra Casteele, Vale, SD.....1.....Bw-Cow.....1340.....58.50
Ivn Cattle Co LLC, Newcastle, WY.....3.....Black-Cow.....1247.....66.00
Lowell Faris, Bowman, ND.....1.....Black-Cow.....1525.....57.00
Jayden Camier, Hermosa, SD.....1.....Black-Hfr.....970.....94.00
Kudook Ranch LLC, Belle Fourche, SD.....1.....Black-Cow.....1360.....56.50
Mills Cattle LLC, Volborg, MT.....1.....Red-Cow.....1625.....55.50
Bruce Jensen, Owanka, SD.....1.....Bw-Cow.....1250.....55.00
BULLS
Diane Wear, Camp Creek, SD.....1.....Black-Bull.....1935.....80.00
Robert Budmayr, Belle Fourche, SD.....1.....Black-Bull.....1970.....80.00
Alvin L Cordell, Camp Creek, SD.....1.....Black-Bull.....1940.....78.00

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Bred Cattle & Weighup Special
Thursday April 16th, 2020
Weighups- 10:00 AM Breds & Pairs- 12:00 PM
Bull Sale- 1:00 PM
PAIRS
Heather Senn-SD
2 heref pairs w/ F1 bldy clvs
Heather Senn-SD
5 red angus hfr pairs
w/ red angus clvs
Jake Reichert-SD
7 blk hfr pairs
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Kenny Carlson-SD
50 blk/heref/bldy bred hfrs bred blk
or heref, calve 4/15 for 60 days

UPCOMING SALE SCHEDULE
April 16, 2020.....BRED CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL
Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM | Breds & Pairs- 12:00 PM
Bull Sale- 1:00 PM
April 23, 2020.....REGULAR CATTLE SALE
Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM | Bull Sale- 1:00 PM
April 30, 2020.....FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL
Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM
Bull Sale with Feeders to Follow- 12:00 PM
May 7, 2020.....PAIR, BRED COW & WEIGH UP SPECIAL
Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM | Pairs and Bred Stock- 12:00 PM
May 14, 2020.....FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL
Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM | Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM
May 21, 2020.....PAIR, BRED CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL
Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM | Pair and Bred Stock- 12:00 PM
May 28, 2020.....FEEDER & WEIGH UP SPECIAL
Start Times: Weighups- 10:00 AM | Feeder Cattle Special- 12:00 PM

BULL SALES CALENDAR
Thursday, April 16th.....CS Angus
Thursday, April 23rd.....Mangen Angus
Thursday, April 30th.....J Spear Cattle Co. Angus
Thursday, May 14th.....Cactus Cattle Co. Angus
Thursday, May 28th.....Annual turn-out times all breeds bull sale

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Work at the Ridge View & Xavier Home Continues!
Belle Fourche High School CTE program, Belle Fourche Economic Development and West River Foundation continue the work on this beautiful home located at the corner of Ridge View and Xavier in Belle Fourche. This year's home had oversight from Belle Fourche High School CTE instructor Eric Anderson and Western Dakota Tech instructors (who are also licensed contractors) for an expanded student experience constructing the home.

With the students not able to return to school this year due to the Covid19 virus, the three entities will be finishing the work with our local contractors. For more information on the home, which will go on the market in May, call economic development at 605-892-5065.



Belle Fourche Community Calendar
Due to COVID-19, almost all events have been canceled or postponed.
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