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## BFHS's "The Music Man" Delights Audiences



Cast & Crew: Back row from left: Tavey Biehl, Brenna Leitner, John Hale, Assistant Director Nathan Schreier, Trinity Hostetter, Ivy Wipf, Rose Sprigler, Dustin Kolb, Nyomi Woltkamp, Olivia Furrow, Kalika Nulle, Atlee Olson, Carston Sechser, Harley Rivera, Jacie Baxendale, Sloan Young, Olivia Nehl, Wyatt Lesmeister, Teddy Long. Seated in chairs: Leah Lambert, Elizabeth Ann McCord, Maggie McCord, Timothy Thompson, Brodie McNeese, Naomi Bricker, Sophia Thompson, Ethan Staley, Lily McCarty, Kiana Tingley, Music Director Micah Pennel, Accompaist Lucy Cole. Seated on floor: Jess Hale, Grace Clooten, Bradley Rushton, Lorelei Seaman, Tyce Hostetter, Raif Parmeter, Amanda Byrd, Ariana Richter, Carlie Reeves, Ava McLennan and Hunter Brown. Not Pictured: Connor Johnson.. *Courtesy Photo*

## SDBES Adopts Social Study Standards-Direction Needed

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The Belle Fourche school district awaits direction. Along with all public school districts in South Dakota, Belle Fourche must prepare to implement a new set of Social Studies Standards adopted last week by the South Dakota Board of Education Standards (SDBES). The vote was 5-2 in favor of the new standards with Board President Terry Nebelsick and Belle Fourche School District Superintendent Dr. Steve Willard casting the dissenting votes.

Dr. Willard offered this information following the SDBES decision, "We have not received the process for implementation from the DOE as of yet. All I know it will take 2 years to implement and the DOE is looking at integrating it into

other curriculum areas."

The adoption of the new Social Studies Standards is a contentious issue. The controversy is complex and stems from how the standards evolved as well as the standards themselves.

Proponents in favor of the new standards have expressed appreciation for the comprehensive content, and promises that the new standards will indoctrinate "patriotic citizens" and offer the "best social studies education in the country".

According to some 1300 comments in opposition to the standards received by the South Dakota Department of Education (SDDOE), the majority of stakeholders, school administrators, teachers, parents, students and citizens are opposed to the new standards.

**Standards A8**

## Four BFHS Seniors Sign to Play Sports at Collegiate Level

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On Monday, April 17, four Belle Fourche High School seniors signed with colleges to further their athletic careers.

Two of these students, Tia Williamson and Dylan Stedillie, signed to play basketball with Dickinson State University in Dickinson, North Dakota. Tia Williamson plans to play women's basketball for the next four years at Dickinson State University. She has been playing basketball for about 10 years, and when asked why Tia Williamson loves basketball she said, "It is my happy place and the best feeling in the world." While loving the intensity and aggression of basketball, Tia also plans to study elementary education.

Dylan Stedillie stated that she "Hopes to become a better player because I know my best basketball is yet to play." While

her favorite part of basketball is playing defense, Dylan has been playing basketball since kindergarten. Dylan Stedillie also plans to get a business degree and, as she says, "Hopefully be my own boss."

Chloe Crago signed to play basketball with Camden County Community College in New Jersey. Chloe hopes to play at this level for two years and then play at an even higher level afterwards. As she has played basketball her whole life, she professed that she "loves everything about the sport: the competition, the friendship, and the fun. I have always loved this sport and am so thankful I get to take it to the next level." Chloe Crago also plans to get a business degree while attending her post-secondary school.

Meanwhile, Lily McCarty signed to play volleyball with North Central University in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Lily McCarty has been playing organized volleyball since seventh grade, but she and her mother have played recreational volleyball for many years. She hopes to take her skills to the next level and plans to enjoy being around new people and a new volleyball family. According to Lily, she loves volleyball because, "It has given me a family and forever friendships I'm so grateful for." She loves the intensity and enjoying the grind along with the process of getting better as a team and individually. While discovering the opportunities North Central University has to offer, Lily McCarty will most likely major in business while playing volleyball.

Congratulations to Tia Williamson, Dylan Stedillie, Chloe Crago, and Lily McCarty as they begin the next level of their collegiate athletic experiences in basketball and volleyball.



Dr. Steve Willard, Belle Fourche School District Superintendent at far at the South Dakota Board of Education Standards hearing on April 17, 2023 in Pierre.

(Photo courtesy of Morgan Matzen, Argus Leader)

## Downtown RCP&E Railroad Crossing to be Replaced

*Detour on Hwy 85 will be needed*

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BELLE FOURCHE - The railroad crossing on U.S. Highway 85 in downtown Belle Fourche is scheduled to be replaced during the upcoming construction season. The concrete railroad crossing, which has been the subject of numerous citizen complaints, will be completely replaced, and new asphalt surfacing will be placed on each approach. Once started, the work is anticipated to be completed within five construction days.

According to the Belle Fourche Area Office of the SD Dept. of Transportation (SD DOT), the project will require Highway 85 to be closed to

traffic between Roundup Street and Railroad Street, with traffic to be detoured onto 6th Avenue.

Grant Street, Railroad Street, Roundup Street, Indian Street, and 6th Avenue will all be restricted to one-way traffic with limited parking, according to the office.

Motorists and truckers need to be aware that 12-foot width restriction, 15-foot height restriction, and a 90-foot length restriction will be in place for the detour route.

According to the SD DOT additional information about the project will be shared with the public once the replacement dates are scheduled.

This project will be completed jointly by Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad and the South Dakota Department of Transportation.



Railroad Crossing on Hwy 85 just south of State Street soon to be replaced. -Beacon Photo



Left to right): Dylan Stedillie, Tia Williamson, Chloe Crago, and Lily McCarty smile with happiness as they sign their intent to play basketball and volleyball at their prospective colleges. *Courtesy Photo*

## Harper's Princess Castle Playhouse

**Meg English**

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Harper is four years old. She lives in Belle Fourche and she has leukemia. Although Harper didn't know it, she qualified for a wish from Make-A-Wish.

On Friday, April 21st Harper was surprised when she came home to a fairly substantial group of supporters waiting for her in her backyard on an unseasonably windy, cold April afternoon.

Harper was indeed surprised by the new pink playhouse with purple and white trim and real windows and doors. In fact, she seemed a little overwhelmed by the fan fare of a large group of onlookers and cameras too.

Thanks to the efforts of Make-A-Wish South Dakota and Montana and business partners, Builders FirstSource, American Contracting, Building Products Incorporated and Paradigm Community partners, Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce and Crossroads All American Diner and Grill, Harper got her wish.

The playhouse did not come unfurnished or without the appropriate "princess" apparel. Several additional businesses joined the Make-A-Wish partnership to provide a table and chairs, some kitchen equipment,

and of course, beautiful dresses and a tiara or two.

Businesses and individuals who provided interior design items include: First Interstate Bank, Nikki Hoyme and Clint Haffner, Allied Construction, Wyatt's Hideaway Campground, New Generation Supplements, Moxie Marketing, Runnings, Black Hills Energy, Karalee Fritz, Denim and Opal, Dakota Lumber, Highmark Federal Credit Union, and The Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce.

Make-A-Wish South Dakota & Montana creates life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. They strive to grant children's wishes to help them build the physical and emotional strength to fight their illnesses. Together with generous donors, supporters, staff and nearly 230 volunteers Make-A-Wish South Dakota & Montana has granted more than 2,400 wishes.

For more information about South Dakota-Montana Make-A-Wish visit [wish.org/sdmt](http://wish.org/sdmt)



(Inset) Harper poses for a cameo in her new living room wearing her new princess dress. Harper's Princess Castle Playhouse, was made possible through Make-A-Wish South Dakota & Montana, Builders FirstSource, American Contracting, Building Products Incorporated and Paradigm Community Partners, Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce, and Crossroads All American Diner & Grill. -Beacon Photo



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## Bernita Jaskela 103

Bernita Olive Jaskela, 103, formerly of Newell, SD, died March 28, 2023, at Burr Tender Care Assisted Living, Spearfish, SD.

On February 14th, 1920, a baby girl was born to John Borgemoen and Amanda (Floden) Borgemoen in (Hoard) Curtis, Wisconsin. She joined her brother, Marv and, later on, brother Vic. When Bernita turned 9, she and her family moved to Zeona, SD, north of Newell, SD. There she started 4th grade and Dad (John) started to build the first two-story Sod house in Western South Dakota. She loved it out there, but times were tough. She graduated from 8th grade and then went on to High School in Newell, where she lived in a boarding house with her best friend, Adie. They stayed friends till her passing in her 90's.

In 1938 Bernita graduated from High School and the family moved back to Wisconsin, but she had met a young man, Rudy Jaskela, at a dance at Horse Creek. He stayed in her heart but figured she would never see him again.

She worked as a maid in Chicago in the winter and the summers she worked at the Sunflower Lodge, a resort by Tomahawk Lake. In December of 1942 the world was at War and a cousin showed her a list of soldiers that needed pen pals and she saw the name "Rudy Jaskela!! That has to be him! So, she sent him a letter and it was history from there on. He asked her to marry him and she moved to California and they had a very nice Military Wedding on April 11, 1943, at Camp San Luis Obispo. It was a short honeymoon, as of July of that year Rudy was sent overseas. Bernita was left alone so she went to work at the Northrop Corporation to work on the P38 Aircraft to install gun turrets as a Rosie the Riveter. Her favorite job ever. The war ended in 1945 and Rudy rushed to Bernita's arms and grabbed his bride. He could not get to Newell fast enough and start a life on a farm. They lived in several places till they found their home on Horse Creek. In this process they had four children; Lu Onna (Lu), Judy, Jerry and Marilyn. They sold the farm in later years and moved



into the town of Newell. They did not like the town life so bought a place outside of town where her son and his wife still live. Rudy died in July of 1976 in a tragic accident and she was lost. She moved into town to a few places and then to Spearfish in 1997, to the Maple Apartments, where she lived for 17 years. It was here she met Chuck Ahartz; a great companion till his death in 2013. They loved going to Deadwood alot and she loved visiting with her friends and family.

In September of 2014 she was starting to fail and moved to Burrs (Tender Care Assisted Living) in Spearfish, where she had her final moments. They loved her and all her crocheting and her stories. They took wonderful care of her. She was well known for her dancing, crocheting (Pot Holders), all crafts/wood work, and her years of gardening. She always had the prettiest yards wherever she lived.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Rudy; brothers and their wives, Marv and Julia Borgemoen, and Vic and Mary Ann Borgemoen; and best friend, Chuck Ahartz.

She shared her life with her family which is Lu and Jerry Heater, Albuquerque, NM, Judy Jaskela Mayer, AZ, Marilyn and Steve Bocksnick, Dewey, AZ, and Jerry and Shawn Jaskela, Newell, SD. Her two grandkids and great grandkids; Trinity Jaskela and Amy Rounds and his three boys, Corbin, Cash, and Klaus Jaskela, all of Spearfish SD; Brandi and Ethan Andrews and their 4 daughters, Lilly, Leida, Lucy and Lainey Andrews, all of Boulder City, NV; five nephews and their wives and their children in Wisconsin.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at Kinkade Funeral Chapel, Sturgis, SD, with interment at Black Hills National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established to the Spearfish Senior Center.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).



## Roderick W. Hancock 85

Roderick W. Hancock, 85 of Sundance WY, formerly of Pine Haven, WY passed away on April 19, 2023 at the Crook County Memorial Hospital after receiving exceptional care from Wyoming Assisted Living.

Rod was born on June 28, 1937, to Walter and Ruth (Davis) Hancock in Twin Bridges, MT and graduated from high school in 1955. On August 9, 1959, Rod was united in marriage to Mary Margaret Kaatz.

In August of 1961, Rod joined the US Army and served until July of 1963. Following his service in the Army, Rod and Mary resided in Dillon, MT where their three daughters were born.

Rod and Mary transferred to Spearfish, SD in 1972 with the US Forest Service where Rod worked until retiring in 1984. Retirement was not for Rod, so he went to work for Lawrence County for another 15 years and retired completely and decided it was time to move to Pine Haven.

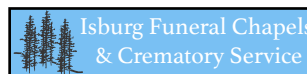
Rod is survived by his wife, Mary of Sundance; two daughters, Christi (Dan) Haggberg of Spearfish



and Cheryl (Jim) Wolff of Colony, WY; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Juli Hancock; his parents Walter and Ruth Hancock; brother Allan Hancock; two sisters, Louise Balkovetz and Phyllis Byers.

Graveside services will be held at 2:30 pm on Monday, April 24 at Black Hills National Cemetery with military honors provided by the US Army and the Spearfish Honor Guard. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established to the Wyoming Assisted Living Center in Sundance.

Arrangements are under the care of Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapels and Isburg Crematory of Spearfish. Online condolences may be written at [www.fidler-isburgfuneralchapels.com](http://www.fidler-isburgfuneralchapels.com)



## Ann Naatus 80

Ann Naatus, 80, of Belle Fourche died April 19, 2023 at Monument Health Rapid City Hospital.

She was born October 25, 1942 in Valley City, North Dakota to Donald and Mae (Getchell) Whitmore. Ann loved horses from the time she was a little girl. She was self-taught to sew and always enjoyed sewing things. Ann respected and admired her grandparents.

She is survived by her son, Joel Naatus of New Jersey; daughter, Jamy (Mark) Tays of California; 10 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren; her sister, Nyla Smoker of Spearfish, SD and her brother, Mark

Earl Whitmore of Alaska.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Michael Naatus; brother, Emmett Whitmore and a sister, Barbara Gail Wicks.

Graveside services will be held Friday, April 28 at 2:30 pm at Mountain View Cemetery, 1901 Mountain View Road, Rapid City, South Dakota.

Arrangements are under the care of Kline Funeral Chapel of Belle Fourche. An online guest book is available at [klinefuneralchapel.com](http://klinefuneralchapel.com)



## Doris Johnson 90

Doris H. Johnson, 90, of Rapid City, SD passed away at Good Samaritan-St. Martin's Village on Wednesday, April 19, 2023.

A memorial service will be held at St. James Lutheran Church in Belle Fourche, SD on Saturday, April 29th at 11:00am with Deacon Laura Campbell officiating. Inurnment will follow at the Pine Slope Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Belle Fourche Senior Center.

Doris Helga Johnson was born on September 9, 1932 to George J. and Mamie E. (Stolnack) Johnson at the Henry Anderson home (Mamie's sister, Sophie) on Horse Creek near Newell, SD. She was the second of ten children.

Doris attended country schools in Butte and Harding Counties, South Dakota and Carter County, Montana. She attended the first nine-week session of her freshman year at Ekalaka (MT) High School and then transferred to Buffalo (SD) High School for the remainder of the year. Doris attended Newell High School during her sophomore and junior years. Along with her older sister, Betty, she graduated from Belle Fourche High School with the Class of 1950.

Doris began working after high school as the deputy Register of Deeds at the Butte County courthouse. From there, employment opportunities with the U.S. Government took her to places all over the world. Doris worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Yankton and Hot Springs, SD and Washington, DC. She then worked for the U.S. Civil Service under Army Auspices in Camp Casey, South Korea; Heidelberg, West Germany; Sierra Vista, AZ; Stuttgart, West Germany; Warren, Michigan and Atlanta, Georgia before retiring in 1988.

Doris enrolled in evening courses through the University of Maryland while living in Heidelberg, West Germany in the late 1960's. She earned an Associate degree from Cochise Junior College (Arizona) in May 1972. She continued to take evening classes



from the University of Arizona while living in Sierra Vista. She earned a total of 136 semester hours of college courses.

Doris moved back to South Dakota in 1988 after retiring from the full-time work force. She lived and worked part-time in Rapid City before moving to Belle Fourche in 1994 to become her mother's caregiver. Declining health forced Doris to move from Belle Fourche to the Good Samaritan campus in Rapid City in July 2018.

Doris was a voracious reader and enjoyed traveling. She visited five of the seven continents. And wherever Doris lived throughout her life, she joined a bowling league and participated for many years in the national bowling tournament with six of her sisters. She was a member of St. James Lutheran Church and a volunteer for the Meals on Wheels program in Belle Fourche.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents; three siblings and spouses, including Betty J. (John) Niemi, G. Douglas (Patricia) Johnson, and Marilyn M. (Arnold, Jr.) Schmidt; other brothers-in-law, including Douglas Miller, William Schafer, and Roger Reynolds; and a niece, Teryl Johnson McGriff.

Doris is survived by six siblings and spouses, including Andrew W. (Linda) Johnson of Sturgis, SD; Beverly J. Miller of Mission, TX; Darlene J. Schafer of Mission, TX; Arlene J. Reynolds of Rapid City, SD; Judith G. Johnson of Rapid City, SD; and Ida Lee (Melvin) Johnson of Apple Valley, MN. Other survivors include several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and special cousins, Annitta Stolnack of Newell, SD and Janet Hardy of Largo, FL.

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## Congratulations Duane!



Colony Management team:  
Dave Wilkerson (L) Duane Pierce  
(C) and Matt Reiffenberger (R)

**Duane Pierce** was recently honored for his retirement from Minerals Technologies/American Colloid. He joined ACC in May of 1978 and has worked for the company 45 years in various positions most recently as a Quality Operator at the Colony East Plant.



## Obituaries contd.

### Lawrence Anton Capra 94

Lawrence Anton Capra 94, passed away at Holy Rosary Hospital in Miles City, MT on April 20th 2023.

He was born August 10th 1928 in the family home at Boyes MT. He was first child born to John Baptist (Jack) Capra and Lydia Rose (Chiesa) Capra. His aunt Mary Julio and Grandmother Angelina Capra acted a mid-wives, as the doctor from Broadus was a little late arriving. His grandfather Antonio, uncle Louis Julio and his father Jack were working in the field binding oats at the time. When they came in for dinner, Grandpa insisted on seeing the new grandson. He wanted to confirm that it was a boy before he opened a bottle of grapa to celebrate.

Lawrence was the oldest of three children, Angelina (Angie) and Louis John (JR) came along later. He attended his first 8 years of school at the Boyes School House that was located 2 miles north of the present day Boyes post office, then on to Powder River County High School in Broadus, graduating in 1946.

When he was in 7th and 8th grade he worked summers herding sheep for Joe Landa. When he was in high school he worked for Otis Nisley lambing sheep. He became good friends with Dan Nisley, Ross Denson, Dan Denson and Bob McCurdy. And told many stories of their escapades. After he graduated from high school he spent a summer helping survey the proposed Moorehead dam. Later he purchased an 8 foot Case combine and pulled it with a John Deere B tractor. When he wasn't working on the family ranch, he and Bob McCurdy harvested grain in the summer time around the Boyes community.

In the spring of 1952 he met Miriam Scoles at a dance in Hammond. She was staying at Boyes with a friend and fellow nurse, Linda Trucano. A relationship blossomed out of this meeting and they were married on October 18th 1952. After a honeymoon in California, they made their home at the Capra Ranch at Boyes where they remained for the next 68 years.

Lawrence and Miriam raised 5 children, Michael John, Louise Marie, Rose Ann, Laurie Leona and Anthony Louis.

Lawrence started his sheep business with the help of Otis Nisley who sold him a few head of ewes. In the early 60's he and R.O. Burch purchased a new breed of sheep from the Targhee Idaho sheep experiment station. Lawrence, Miriam and kids raised some of the finest Targhee sheep in Montana.

Lawrence was very active in local organizations. He was a charter member of the East Fork Roping Club, a charter member and Secretary for the Cochran Grazing Association 50 years, charter member of the Center of the Nation Wool Pool, Chairman of the Montana Ram Sale for 29 years. Charter member and first President of the Montana 4-H Council. Past President of Montana Wool Growers. Member and past President of the National Targhee Sheep



Association. He was Chairman of the board for Powder River County School District as well as a Montana Livestock brand inspector for over 50 years.

Lawrence and Miriam dedicated themselves to the unconditional loving care of Anthony for the first 16 years of his life until he moved to the Black Hills Workshop in Rapid City, SD. They were especially proud of the artwork that Anthony did at the Workshop. They were able to travel around South Dakota for some of his art shows.

After Miriam passed both Lawrence and Anthony moved to the PR Manor. Lawrence's purpose in life was to check on him every day to make sure he was doing well.

Lawrence and Miriam in their younger years loved to visit neighbors, play cards, square dance, and annually attend the MT Ram Sale and MT Wool Grower's Conventions. Farming and ranching was his passion throughout his life. Up until the day he passed, he asked how the sheep and cows were doing.

Lawrence is survived by his children: Mike (Connie) Capra of Boyes, MT, Louise (Wayne) Talcott of Broadus, MT, Rose Ann (Pat) Olson of Saco, MT, Laurie (Jay) Hostetter of Gillette, WY and Anthony Capra of Broadus, grandchildren & great grandchildren: John (Megan), Louis and Logan Capra; Lacy (Dan), Gracee and Karter Buckley; Lanesa (Mike Godbout), Denae and Tevin Statzer; Leslie, Angelina (Michael Hanley), Holden and Francheska Bannan, Latrisha (BJ) Playle, Leighton (Kaylin) and Ashley Bilbrey; Zebulun Olson, Leah (Brock), Braxton Strouf; Jaymie (Tom), Jaycee, Taylen, Trayley Lambert, Crystal (Chance), Case, and Callie Huntrods, Trevor (Joanna), Cameron and Logan Hostetter, his sister Angie Bisgaard of Belle Fourche, SD, and numerous nieces and nephews. Lawrence was preceded in death by his parents, brother Louis "Junior" Capra. Grandson-in-laws: Boyd Bannan and Judd Bilbrey.

Grandpa will be carried to his final resting place by his grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 28, 2023, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Broadus. Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 29, 2023 at 1:00, in the Boyes Community Club Hall and Interment will follow in the Boyes Cemetery, Luncheon to follow.

Memorials may be given to the Lawrence and Miriam Capra 4-H Endowment Fund, The Montana 4-H Foundation at 111 Taylor Hall/PO Box 173580 Bozeman, MT 59717, Boyes Community Club, Powder River Manor, in Broadus or a charity of one's choice.

Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting: [www.stevenson- nandsons.com](http://www.stevenson- nandsons.com).



### Lois Marie Allart 94

Lois Marie Allart, 94, of Belle Fourche, passed away Friday, April 21, 2023 at Judy's Assisted Living.

Lois was born August 1, 1928, to William (Bub) and Vivian Seaver Wilson in Lemmon, SD, and grew up in rural Perkins County. She was a tough cowgirl among her brothers, Verne, Eugene, Leonard, and Ernest. During her elementary years, she rode horseback to school and boarded in Bison for high school. She was elected as Homecoming Queen and graduated in 1945.

Her future husband, Martin (Zeke) Allart was discharged from the Navy and they later married July 8, 1946. To this union, three children were born-William (Bill), Linda, and Bret. They made their home south of Bison for the next 45 years where she loved Quarter Horses and passed that legacy down for many generations.

While raising her children and ranching, she attained an Elementary Education Degree from Black Hills Teachers College in Spearfish, SD, with an emphasis in Art. Later, she taught for several years in rural schools. Zeke and Lois later retired to



a smaller ranch in Sundance, WY, where she was an active member in the Crook County Cattlewomen and her church. After her husband's death in 2003, she relocated to the Belle Fourche area.

Lois enjoyed sharing her love of art, western heritage, cooking, baking, attending her grandchildren's activities-especially rodeos, and spending time with her family.

Lois is survived by her daughter, Linda (Marlin) Brink of Union Center; son, Bret (Susan) Allart of Belle Fourche; 9 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; and 3 great great grandchildren.

Lois was preceded in death by her parents; husband; 5 brothers; and a son, Bill.

Visitation will be Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., at Kinkade Funeral Chapel, Sturgis, SD. Funeral services will be Thursday, April 27th, 1:00 p.m., at Kinkade's

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### Card Party for Betty Krause celebrating 95 years on May 3rd

Cards may be sent to:  
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*Thank You*

Thank you for the cards, flowers, and birthday wishes for my hundredth birthday. I appreciated the staff and all the well wishers who stopped by the museum to help me celebrate. Also thank you to the United Church of Christ for the luncheon served after Sunday services. It was a joyous weekend.

Rosemary McMahon

### O. Myron Jerde, MD 92

O. Myron Jerde, MD age 92 of Reva, SD, formerly of Sioux Falls and Piedmont, SD, went to be with his Lord April 17, 2023 surrounded by family, at the family ranch in his own house.

Ole Myron Jerde was born October 4, 1930 in Hettinger, ND, the oldest of three children of Ole Martinus Jerde and Benna Dina Larson. Myron grew up on the U Cross ranch near Sorum, SD and attended a country school nearby. He played on the Sorum baseball team on the field beside Skoger Lutheran Church where he was confirmed. Myron attended Bison High School and graduated in 1949 from Lead High School, and enjoyed choir, band, and his studies.

Myron was drafted for the Korean War and joined the Army in the Fall of 1953. After serving two years, he returned to the U Cross. Myron moved to Sioux Falls for college at Augustana College in 1956, enjoying chorus and his biology and business courses. During college, he met student Marilyn Grace Soma, and they were married on August 28, 1958. Son Olaf Mark was born in 1959, and Myron and Marilyn graduated from Auggie in 1960.

Myron attended the University of South Dakota School of Medicine in 1960 through 1962 and moved to Denver in 1962 to attend the University of Colorado Medical School, graduating in 1964. Son Stephan was born in Denver in 1962. The family moved to Minneapolis, MN, for residency at Hennepin County General Hospital and he was Deputy Coroner. Sons David and Philip were born in Minneapolis in 1964 and 1968. The family moved to Rapid City, SD in 1968, where Myron joined the Internal Medicine Group. Twins Curtis and Lisa were born in 1969. The family moved to a ranch in Piedmont, SD, in 1972.

Myron initiated the dialysis unit at Rapid City Regional Hospital, and had much to do with starting the hospital's respiratory department. He worked tirelessly in medicine in Rapid City, and was a beloved and exceptional doctor. Myron retired from private practice and remained active in the medical community after retirement, working for the Fort Meade Veterans Administration, the University of South Dakota



Medical School as West River Dean, and then worked for the State in the area of infectious diseases. Marilyn and he eventually moved to Spearfish, and enjoyed friends and family, bird watching, and many drives through Spearfish Canyon. They then moved to Sioux Falls, partaking in countryside drives and continuing education at Hillsdale College and a Lutheran hostel in Wisconsin.

Myron and Marilyn were active at Grace Lutheran Church in Sturgis, and they were charter members of Piedmont Valley Lutheran Church. He enjoyed singing with the Shrine of Democracy Barbershop Chorus in Rapid City with son Curt, and was on a variety of boards of non-profit associations.

In 2020, Myron and Marilyn returned to the U Cross ranch, when Marilyn's health was failing. Myron continued his care for her through her passing on February 13, 2021. Afterwards, he worked on the ranch on a nearly daily basis in some role or another. Moving cattle and buffalo, and feeding chores were among his favorite tasks. He had given up riding the horseback of his youth in place of a black F150. He enjoyed family and friends visiting often. Myron also picked out a white guard dog, naming her Siv, and raised her up from a puppy.

Myron is survived by his children Mark, Stephan (Karen), David (Kathy), Phil (Jill), Curt, Lisa (Paul); twenty-seven grandchildren; two great-grandsons; sister Beverley; many cousins; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his wife Marilyn, parents Ole and Benna, and brother Loren.

Myron gave many gifts in this life. He gave the gift of caring and healing to his patients. And to his beloved family, he gave gifts of wisdom, laughter, and most of all love. His heart was always open to all!

Funeral services were held Monday, April 24 with visitation one hour prior at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church at 4100 South Bahnson Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD. The service will be livestreamed ([www.abiding-savior.church/live](http://www.abiding-savior.church/live)). Interment



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Congratulations to poster contest winners: 1st Place - Ambree Kirstine, 2nd Place - Lux Kirstine, and 3rd Place - Easton Wetzler. Good luck to those participating in the State Shoot in Pierre/Ft. Pierre this weekend, April 28-30. The 2023 South Dakota 4-H Performing Arts Camp registration is now open through May 31. This 7-day camp will take place June 11-17 at Northern State University in Aberdeen. Youth ages 13-18 have the opportunity to gain skills in musical theater performance. Annual T-Shirt Logo Design Contest entries are due via email by April 30. Designs may be hand drawn or created with



computer software, but must be an original idea. The Youth Livestock Literacy previously scheduled for April 4 will be held on Tuesday, May 2 at North Point Church near Spearfish from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. No registration is required. The CDM and Horticulture Judging and public presentations previously scheduled for April 5 will be held Wednesday, May 3 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Spearfish Chamber of Commerce. There are a few openings for presentations, please call the office to schedule. Animal entry is available now on 4Honline accounts. All animals to be entered into the Butte Lawrence County Fair or SD State Fair must be entered by June 1.

## Checkouts at the Library

Roan Bonnet checked out his first - Playaway Launchpad for Kids at the Belle Fourche Library. He enjoyed learning all about dinosaurs by listening to a few books, “digging” for fossils, and even a few coloring pages. His favorites include the T-rex, Pterodactyl, and Triceratops. This was a great checkout

for car ride across the state. He is excited to utilize the program and looks forward to another checkout. Check out what the Belle Fourche Library has to offer by visiting their website: belle-fourche.yoursdlibrary.org. They also have State Park Passes available for checkout.



Roan Bonnet with Playaway Launchpad for Kids at the Belle Fourche Library. *Beacon Photo*

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Belle Fourche High School Baseball 2023 Schedule				
Date		Opponent	JV Gametime	Varsity Gametime
Friday	April 28	**v. St Thomas More**	5:00pm	7:00pm
Sunday	April 30	**v. Gregory (in Hot Springs)**		3:00pm
Sunday	April 30	**@ Hot Springs**		5:00pm
Wednesday	May 3	@ Lead/Deadwood	5:00pm	7:00pm
Friday	May 5	@ Douglas	5:00pm	7:00pm
Wednesday	May 10	**v. Lead/Deadwood**	5:00pm	7:00pm

## Belle Fourche Baseball Begins Class B Play

The Broncos kicked off regional play last weekend with four games over three days facing Rapid City Christian, Winner/Colome, Hot Springs, and St. Thomas More coming away victorious in three of the four contests.

Belle Fourche started the weekend off in a seeded contest against Rapid City Christian Saturday evening. After two scoreless innings on both sides, the Comets struck first scoring 3 runs in the top of the third inning. Belle quickly responded with three runs of their own in the bottom of the third in a two out rally to tie the game up. A hit by pitch by Evan Vissia and a base on balls by Anthony Budmayr had two runners on base with Harvey Walding up to bat. The first run scored on a wild pitch while Budmayr scored the second run on a single from Walding and who later came around to score after a couple of wild pitches during Brayden Carbajal’s at bat.

Rapid City Christian quickly regained the lead in the next half inning tacking on four more runs. The Broncos were held scoreless in the 4th and were able to put up a zero of their own in the top of the 5th. Gavin Pearson started off the bottom of the 5th with a walk and JT Hahne drew the second walk of the inning putting two runners on with two outs again for the Broncos. Pearson scored on a wild pitch while Hahne came around to score on Aiden Voyles single to center field to cut Christian’s lead to 7-5 after 5 innings. Budmayr came in to pitch the 6th inning after 5 quality innings from starter Aiden Voyles scattering 7 hits while striking out 6 in his 5 innings of work. Budmayr got two strikeouts while working around a hit and a pair of walks to hold the Comets scoreless in the top half. The Bronc’s offense came alive in the bottom of the 6th inning as Evan Vissia started things off with a hard hit ball to short and reached on an error, Caden Thomsen walked, Budmayr singled to centerfield, Pearson walked, Walding hit an infield single, Hahne walks, 8th Grader Caeyn Howard had a pinch hit single that resulted in an RBI, Voyles brought in a run on another error by the Christian shortstop. A single by Nolan Wahlfeldt set up the two big hits of the inning with Vissia clearing the bases on a triple to right center, and Thomsen taking it a step further by sending the ball over the right field fence for his first career homerun.

An error, hit by pitch, and a couple walks put the final nail in the coffin as the Broncos were able to end the game via the 10-run mercy rule scoring 12 runs without recording an out in the bottom of the 6th. The final score was Belle Fourche 17, RC

Christian 7.

The Broncos hosted a three-team triangular on Sunday April 16th as Winner/Colome and Hot Springs ventured up to Belle Fourche for a few varsity baseball contests.

The Broncos started the day off against #3 state ranked Winner/Colome Royals. The Royals were able to score two runs in the first, second, and third innings to jump out to a 6-0 lead. The Broncos had their first scoring opportunity of the contest as walks by Caeyn Howard, Aiden Voyles, and Evan Vissia had the bases loaded with only one out for Caden Thomsen. Thomsen hit a hard single into left field to score two for Belle Fourche, but that was all the Broncos would be able to muster in the third as a double play ended the threat. Winner/Colome would add on another in the 4th inning, but Howard kept the Royals scoreless in the top of the 5th. What looked to be a quick inning for the Winner/Colome after getting the first two outs, the Broncos were able to put some pressure on with Vissia and Thomsen both reaching on back-to-back errors. Budmayr delivered on a clutch single to plate both runners, and Gavin Pearson followed with a single of his own. Walding was able to put the bat on the ball and an errant through from the shortstop allowed two more to score for the Broncos. This brought Belle Fourche within striking distance heading into the 6th inning only trailing by one run.

The Broncos were looking for a quick inning on their end getting a strike out with the first better, an error and a fielder’s choice left a runner on first with two outs. Pitching began to get a bit errant as two walks and a hit by pitch allowed the first run of the inning to score. A close play at first which resulted in an infield single allowed another run to score before a bases loaded triple blew the game open. Winner/Colome would end up scoring 7 that inning taking a commanding 14-6 lead. Freshman Urijah Hamilton got his first varsity action coming in to pitch a scoreless top of the 7th for the Broncos, but there was no late inning magic in the bats as Belle Fourche dropped their seeded contest to Winner/Colome 14-6.

Sunday evening the Broncos would try to get back on track squaring off against the Hot Springs Bison. There was little doubt about this contest as Belle Fourche put up four runs in the first inning and wasted little time doing it. A leadoff walk from Voyles, a single to left by Budmayr, and a towering fly ball homerun to left by Vissia put the first three runs up on the board, the very next batter, Thomsen, wasted no time in his at bat before belting

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a no doubt homerun to right center field. The next inning the Broncos were able to add on with Vissia bringing in another RBI on a single, and two more runs scoring by a double that bounced off the fence from Thomsen.

The wheels started to fall off for the Bison in the bottom of the third as a walk and two hit by pitches allowed for two runs to score on a line drive single by Budmayr, and two more scoring on Vissia’s bloop single. The Bison didn’t want to deal with Thomsen anymore as he was put on base with an intentional walk to load the bases again. Wahlfeldt brought in a run with a well-placed infield single, Pearson brought in another via a walk, and two more runs come across on Walding’s single. A single by Howard and walks by pinch hitter Trig Thomsen and Voyles before the inning ended on the bases on Budmayr’s single with the Broncos firmly in control 17-2. A quick top of the 4th inning would set starting pitcher Brayden Carbajal up for the win, who struck out 5 while only giving up a hit and two walks. Belle Fourche added some more as Vissia started the inning off with a single followed by walks from pinch hitters Hamilton and Carsyn Hahne. Pearson’s walk would score a run, with another run scoring on Walding’s pop fly single that landed just behind the first baseman. Howard brought in another run with a walk, while Carbajal scored another on a hard-hit single, Budmayer and JT Hahne would reach scoring one each, and putting the Broncos well ahead of the Bison 23-2. Carsyn Hahne pitched a scoreless 5th inning that included a strikeout to finish the game.

On Monday Belle Fourche would finish up their action packed first week of games to begin the season traveling to Rapid City to take on St. Thomas More. The Broncos didn’t waste anytime to get on the board as back-to-back walks to Budmayr and Vissa set up Thomsen to rip a hard line drive double to center field bringing a run, a Wahlfeldt walk and Walding hit by pitch would score another, but that was all the Broncos would get in the frame. The first STM batter would reach base after a hit by pitch but would quickly be retired after a spectacular diving catch from Wahlfeldt and throw back to first to record the double play. Budmayr, who got the start on the mound got a quick strikeout to end the inning.

The bats stayed hot for the Broncos in the top of the second as a leadoff walk from Hahne and a deep fly ball double from Voyles scored the first run, Budmayr quickly sent a shot into

Baseball contd. B3





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## Storytime with Trudy the Puppy at Library

If you missed Trudy the Puppy's visit last month, here is another chance to visit with her when she comes to the library again Saturday, May 6, from 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. for a reading of "Gizmo's Pawesome Guide to Mental Health".

Children ages 4-10 along with an accompanying adult are invited to join Sonia Ribordy and Trudy for this special read-along time in recognition of Mental Health Month which is recognized each May and has been observed every year since 1949.

The book is written in a kid-friendly format for youth and their trusted adult from the dog's point of view.

With the help of Trudy the puppy, kids connect and are engaged in a fun way on the challenging subject of mental health. Introducing the concept of mental health and sharing how one may care for their own mental health



daily are presented on a level that kids can grasp. Gizmo says, "There are things you can do to help yourself when you feel sad, mad or worried. That's what this book is all about!"

Like physical health, positive mental health promotes success in life. It affects how we think, feel, and act. It also helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others, and make healthy choices (Centers for Disease and Control).

Please join us on Saturday, May 6. It is important that an adult comes with the child for this special Storytime. The Belle Fourche Public Library is located at 905 5th Avenue.

Contact Sonia Ribordy at 605-210-1326 with any questions. The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and the Connecticut Suicide Advisory Board are pleased to partner to share this program.

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## Kolb Elected State FFA Vice President



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## Belle Fourche FFA represented well at State Convention.

**Nicole Kraft**  
FFA Reporter

### Atlee Olson is a top 3 Finalist

Recently, the Belle Fourche FFA represented well at State Convention.

We would like to congratulate Dustin Kolb on becoming the Vice President of the South Dakota FFA Officer team.

Candidates vied for the six South Dakota leadership roles and went through extensive interviews. The individuals elected to the South Dakota State FFA officer team will travel across the state throughout the next year presenting speeches, facilitating workshops, hosting camps, holding conferences, and conducting business for the South Dakota FFA Association. They will also represent the state of South Dakota at the National FFA Convention.

2023-2024 State FFA Officers (pictured left to right)

(Below) Group photo at State FFA Convention 2023 in Brookings. *Courtesy Photo*

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The State Officers will serve South Dakota FFA and it's 5,500 members in 109 chapters for the coming year by advocating for agriculture, inspiring members, presenting programs to develop strong leaders, encouraging youth to participate in career defining opportunities and connecting with industry leaders.

Some other highlights of convention include: Atlee Olson - 1st Place Animal Science Agri-science Fair project; 1st Place Horse Evaluation Team - Elinor Damberg, Anika Main, Nicole Kraft, and Mataya Ward; 1st Place Horse Evaluation Individual - Nicole Kraft; 4th Place Horse Evaluation Individual - Mataya Ward; 2nd Place Sheep

Production Proficiency - Morgan Mackaben

4th Place Meat Evaluation Team - Cody Foos, Trey Smeenk, Carter McKenna, and Rance Bowden; 9th Place Meat Evaluation Individual - Trey Smeenk; 2nd Place Agronomy Team - Tucker Hughes, Clay Mackaben, Morgan Mackaben, Taya Kirstine, and Soren Kopp; 2nd Place Agronomy Individual - Morgan Mackaben; 7th Place Agronomy Individual - Taya Kirstine; 8th Place Agronomy Individual - Soren Kopp; 6th Place Milk Quality Team - Lydia Main, Ava McLennan, Dustin Kolb, and Olivia Furrow

Star Farmer Finalist - Morgan Mackaben

Congratulations to everyone who competed this past weekend!

Atlee Olson and the Horse Evaluation Team will compete at Nationals this Fall in Indianapolis, Indiana.



## Train Like You Care! Care Like you Train!

*By M. Claire May,  
South Dakota Nurses  
Foundation Community  
Board Member*

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One of George S. Patton's wartime clarion calls, "Fight like

you train!" also galvanizes Brian Williamson in his professional training as a nurse. As a result of his tenacity in training, Williamson is the 2022 South Dakota Nurses Foundation Thomas E. and Marianne M. Stenvig Scholarship recipient. This scholarship supports a male registered nurse in pursuit of his educational goals. Williamson is in the process of completing his Ph.D.



**Brian and Lara Williamson** in Nursing at South Dakota State University, Rapid City, with the intent of serving in academia.

He is the Nurse Manager (Operations) of the ICU, ER, and Med/Surg units at Monument Health Spearfish Hospital. Nursing was certainly furthest from his mind for a career. "Ask me in high school and nursing was the last thing I would've thought I'd be doing. It really started when I became an EMT. [In] bringing patients to the Hospital I saw what nurses really did. I wanted to continue a career in the medical field and so I chose nursing. I haven't looked back and appreciate where I'm at now."

Williamson stated, "Being a leader in healthcare has been challenging in the last few years, particularly in acquiring and training adequate nursing staff. I want to be a part of the solution in growing nurses to meet the needs of healthcare as well as the ongoing advances in nursing."

Attracting nurses and preparing those nurses for ongoing advances in nursing are behemoth challenges. However, Williamson is up to the challenges of being "a part of figuring out solutions. It will take a new

**Williamson contd. B5**



## Show Up by Belle LaVenue

Sunny days and bright events are ahead! Your upcoming evenings and week-ends are as exciting as April showers bringing May flowers.

Here's to **MUSICALS** of all kinds - HS Spring Musical, Dance Recital, and the Community Talent & Variety Show!

In the Theater this past weekend, **THE MUSIC MAN** did not disappoint! Large audiences for three shows enjoyed famous and nostalgic pieces performed by the talented lead cast members and ensemble groups. The music and memories were unbeatable! Belle Fourche Alumni Alex Kiley and Mikenzie Mikkelsen spoke of the vocal talent the musical brought to the table: "The quartet was great," said Mikkelsen.

"The leads (Nyomi Woltkamp and Dustin Kolb) really complimented each other well," added Kiley. "I was impressed by the pit band too."

Another matinee attendee, Calvin Nelson, spoke of the work ethic of the actors: "I was very excited to see so many youth come together to put on a production like this."

I agree with Mr. Nelson— Bravo Belle Fourche High School Theater!

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

**We hope to see supporters of all ages on APRIL 30th at 1 PM at the COMMUNITY TALENT & VARIETY SHOW:** It will include an **ARTS FESTIVAL** before the performance. FAB members met to prepare the festival fun. Balloon animal practice, origami prep, sand art supplies and so much more will highlight the family-focused fine arts afternoon event. According to Fine Arts Boosters Board leader Colleen Anderson, this year the admission includes a pre-show carnival-like festival with complimentary treats & games for all ages. All tickets will include five free games for adults and children (more game tokens can be purchased), a multi-item ticket raffle, cupcake walk, cake bingo, art activities, & karaoke as well as Name That Tune, and Minute-to-Win-It contests. If your family likes music, games, art, crafts, comedy, cakewalks, bingo, fish ponds, face painting, balloon animals, and **BEST OF ALL—AMAZING.**

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS for these upcoming Fine Arts Events:

- **APRIL 30 - BF FAB COMMUNITY TALENT & VARIETY SHOW!** Belle Fourche Community Hall.
- **MAY 4 - Middle School Band Concert - BFRC 6:30 PM**
- **MAY 9 - Middle School 6th/7th/8th Chorus Concert - BFRC 6:30 PM**
- **MAY 11 High School Band/Chorus Concert - BFRC 7:00 PM**
- **MAY 12, 13, & 14 - Pride and Prejudice, Belle Fourche Area Community Theater**

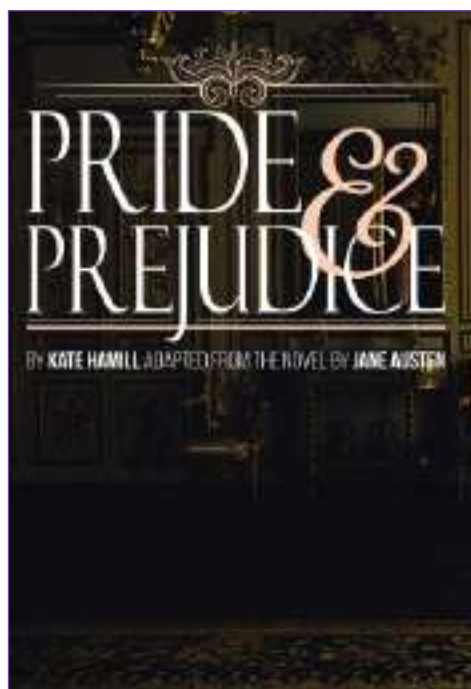
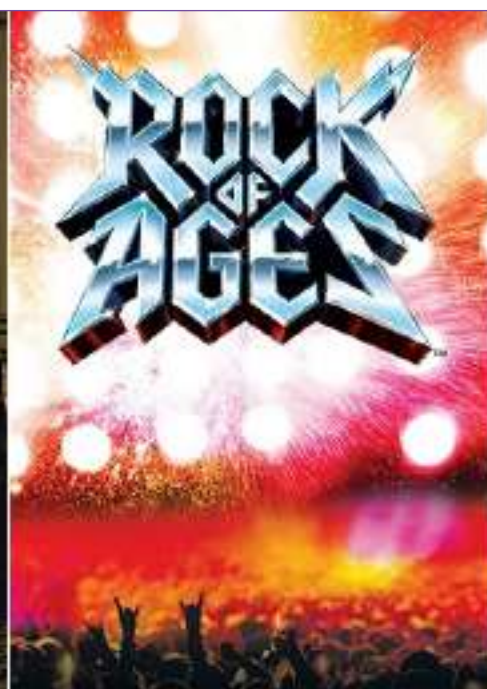


Maybe **YOU** know what **SHOW** is **UP** next? Share your fine arts tid bits and upcoming events at [bellelavenue@gmail.com](mailto:bellelavenue@gmail.com). I especially love the juicy backstage dish and green room gossip! Mark your calendars, friends, so you don't forget to **Show Up!**



They are getting ready for the Community Talent & Variety Show on Sunday, April 30th! Belle Fourche Fine Arts Boosters members, **Sharon Thompson, Rachel Johnson, and Angela Hastings** say "Come for the balloon animals, crafts, and games - and stay for a fine talent show!" *Courtesy Photo*



FAB members **Lori McNeese** and **Colleen Anderson** prepare the sand art and origami crafts for the Talent & Variety show this coming Sunday afternoon. *Courtesy Photo*

May 12-14	July 27-30)	August 26	October 20-22)
			

The **BFACT (Belle Fourche Area Community Theater)** formally announced their **2023 season's shows** so that **YOU** (the key part of any show - the **AUDI-ENCE**) can mark your calendars with these performances: **Pride & Prejudice** (May 12-14); the musical, **Rock of Ages** (July 27-30); the multi-theater one act performance - **Getting Our Acts Together** (August 26); the autumn show, **House on Haunted Hill** (October 20-22).

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**Thurs, April 27th**

**BRONC Breakfast:** Donut  
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**Lunch:** Beef Taco or Corn Dog  
Fruit/Veggie/Milk

**Fri, April 28th**

**BRONC Breakfast:** Cinnamon Roll  
\*K-4 Breakfast Pizza  
Juice/Fruit/Milk

**Lunch:** Chicken Pasta Ranch or Pizza  
Fruit/Veggie/Milk

**Mon, May 1st**

**BRONC Breakfast:** Pancake Sausage Stick  
\*K-4 Cereal  
Juice/Fruit/Milk

**Lunch:** Hot Pepperoni Sub  
or Popcorn Chicken  
Fruit/Veggie/Milk

**Tues, May 2nd**

**BRONC Breakfast:** Long John  
Juice/Fruit/Milk

**Lunch:** Grilled Cheese Sandwich  
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**SUNDAY, APRIL 30th**

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12 years strong for the Day of Excellence, which was held in Rapid City April 19th. The dedicated Board of Directors selected 4 powerful speakers to ensure participants could take away a thoughtful message that they may need to level up and push themselves both personally and professionally.

This year the speakers included Alex Weber (American Ninja Warrior), Stacey Hanke (Certified Speaking Professional), Antonio Neves Entrepreneur & Best Selling Author), and Brad Montgomery (Recently inducted to the Speakers Hall of Fame).

Each speaker had a unique story to provide a self reflection of both personal and professional life; no matter if it was small moments that changed your life forever, or just hearing that we all make mistakes and it is better to own up to them than to blame someone or something else.

The work culture has changes so much throughout the years but drastically in the last few. It is shown that people are more comfortable with devices, than people themselves. Taking the time to communicate with one another is becoming a lost art. It was mentioned throughout all the speakers that this can affect both personal and professional relationships - so a focus on clear and meaningful communication may take time but is much worth the effort and has a better return.

The Day of Excellence, Inc. was formed by the Leadership Rapid City Class of 2009. The purpose of the Day of Excellence is to inspire and motivate participants to reach their full potential through motivational speakers that leave them positively transformed.

More information about Day of Excellence, visit [DayOfExcellence.com](http://DayOfExcellence.com)

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MC **Kenyon Salo** going above and beyond making sure to be "all in" at Day of Excellence at Monument Center in Rapid City this past week. *Beacon Photo*

### Anything Left in the Barrel?



An interesting discussion did take place at last Monday's BF City Council meeting.

Item #2 on the regular agenda the "Request for Proposals for Liquor store Operating Agree-

ments" was approved on a 5-3 vote.

With this move the city would retain the City's state license to sell liquor, but would lease up to five licences by operating agreements to private businesses.

When I first moved to Belle Fourche in 1987 I was working as a lobbyist/Executive Director for the South Dakota Retail Liquor Dealers Association.

Attending the Monday night Council session brought back memories of that part of my work history.

There is an Beacon article about some of that Council discussion on page B7.

I find myself a bit rejuvenated by the topic: 1. Because, now, as a taxpayer, I know such privatization has led to increased revenues for the municipalities that have

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done so in the past (lower taxes, if managed right?).

2. It means inanced business activity and sales tax generation across our local economy.

3. I maintain our contention that cities should not compete with private business.

Prudent moves that save the taxpayers money and increase sales tax revenues are to be applauded. And don't forget, the city gets to keep control.

Council members that expressed concern about the the jobs of the City employees working at the liquor store should take confort in the fact that there are a

multitude of jobs (many that pay better than the City Liquor Store), both in the private sector and employment for the city of Belle Fourche itself.

The job possibilities that can be created by private businesses that undertake an Operating Agreement and adding positions.

Better jobs that pay more? What is wrong about that opportunity?

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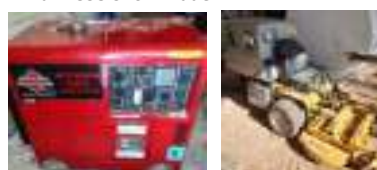
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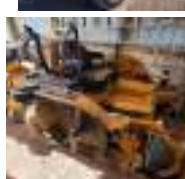


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#### From A1 Standards

groups represent a broad demographic of the state's population.

Overall, many school administrators, teachers, parents and students have felt left out of the process.

Many opponents of the standards are disturbed by the influence of organizations such as The National Association of Scholars (NAS) and the Civics Alliance. These organizations are seen as interfering with decisions about schools that many stakeholders believe should be made by South Dakotans at the local level. Furthermore, many opponents do not believe the new standards are necessary.

The Oceti Sakowin (the collective name for members of the Dakota, Nakota, and Lakota language speakers) has expressed strong opposition. In 2018, the SDDOE removed the

Oceti Sakowin, Essential Understandings curriculum under the governor's executive order. The action undermines many years of curriculum development about the history of Native Americans.

Administrators are wondering how teaching standards will match with the new curriculum. What will be the cost to school districts? Will highly qualified professionals want to teach in South Dakota given low pay and a host of added restrictions and expectations?

Highly effective teachers are currently expected to demonstrate how they teach higher order thinking skills. According to the "Guiding Principals for High Quality Standards" on Page 5 of the 179 page Social Studies Standards document, "Debating current political positions or partaking in political activism at the bequest of a school or teacher does not

belong in a K-12 social studies class..."

Not an easy pill for social studies teachers to swallow.

Teachers are uncertain how to teach social studies without violating the executive order of the governor, who has banned speaking of topics defined as those meant "to make one race feel inferior or superior to another."

In Arizona's pending legislation, if teachers discuss racism or sexism they can be fined up to \$5,000. In Tennessee, such violations could cost the school districts state aid funding.

Teachers are also concerned about being able to squeeze in the rigorous content, much of which relies heavily on memorization and recitation, rather than higher order thinking skills.

The standards are scheduled to be implemented by 2025.



Protesters in Pierre on Monday, April 17 voicing resistance to South Dakota Social Studies Standards changes (Photo Courtesy of South Dakota Education Association)



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Kammerer, Jake, Rapid City SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1420.....\$105.00  
Kammerer, Jake, Rapid City SD.....1.....Herf.....Cow.....1210.....\$87.00  
Kammerer, Matt Or April, Rapid City SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfrt.....975.....\$167.00  
Karrels, Henry, Sturgis SD.....1.....Bld.....Cowette.....1230.....\$112.00  
Karrels, Henry, Sturgis SD.....2.....Bldd.....Cow.....1362.....\$105.50  
Keszler, Dylan, New Underwood SD.....1.....Red.....Cowette.....1095.....\$123.00  
Kieffer, Pam, Rapid City SD.....3.....Blk.....Hfrt.....1101.....\$161.00  
Kieffer, Pam, Rapid City SD.....1.....Bld.....Cow.....1470.....\$105.50  
Kieffer, Pam, Rapid City SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1590.....\$97.50  
Kokesh, Rich Or Sherry, Belle Fourche SD.....1.....Bld.....Cow.....1340.....\$94.00  
Komes, Brandon, Sturgis SD.....2.....B/R.....Hfrt.....1190.....\$150.00

**Komes, Josh, Vale SD.....3.....Herf.....Cow.....1366.....\$92.00**  
**Komes, Timothy J, Sturgis SD.....1.....Herf.....Cow.....1115.....\$109.00**  
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**Komes, Timothy J, Sturgis SD.....1.....Herf.....Cow.....1125.....\$90.50**  
**Komes, Timothy J, Sturgis SD.....2.....Herf.....Cow.....1297.....\$87.50**  
**Kretschman, Clancy Or Lacey, Arvada WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1355.....\$109.00**  
**Kretschman, Galen, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1655.....\$104.00**  
**Kretschman, Galen, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1545.....\$99.00**  
**Kretschman, Galen, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1405.....\$93.50**  
**Kretschman, Kale Or Kimberly, Gillette WY.....2.....Blk.....Hfrt.....1142.....\$158.00**  
**Kretschman, Kale Or Kimberly, Gillette WY.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1515.....\$104.50**  
**Kretschman, Kelby K Or Lacy D, Arvada WY.....1.....Blk.....Cowette.....1145.....\$117.50**  
**Kubacher Jason, Broadus MT.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1340.....\$106.50**  
**Kubacher Jason, Broadus MT.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1350.....\$106.00**  
**Kubacher Jason, Broadus MT.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1260.....\$104.00**  
**Kudlock Ranch, Belle Fourche SD.....1.....Cow.....950.....\$105.00**  
**Kudlock Ranch, Belle Fourche SD.....4.....Bldd.....Cow.....1380.....\$105.00**  
**Kudlock Ranch, Belle Fourche SD.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1400.....\$104.00**  
**Kudlock Ranch, Belle Fourche SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1280.....\$88.00**  
**Landa, JJ, Boyes MT.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1215.....\$89.00**  
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**Loehding, Travis, Ekalaka MT.....10.....Blk.....Hfrt.....920.....\$176.50**  
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**Pilster Ranch, Alzada MT.....1.....Blk.....Cowette.....1190.....\$110.00**  
**Popma, Micah & Kyla, Newcastle WY.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1445.....\$105.00**  
**Rasmussen, Kent, Rapid City SD.....1.....Bld.....Cow.....1430.....\$105.00**  
**Redding, Dave & Susan, Forsyth MT.....10.....Red.....Hfrt.....861.....\$180.00**  
**Redding, Dave & Susan, Forsyth MT.....5.....Red.....Hfrt.....804.....\$180.00**  
**Rourke, Michael Or Lynn, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cowette.....1190.....\$125.00**  
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**Tibbetts, Trevor, Box Elder SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1430.....\$90.00**  
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**Triple T Enterprises, Newcastle WY.....3.....Blk.....Cowette.....1200.....\$121.00**  
**Tripp, Ralph & Gerald, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1315.....\$105.00**  
**Tysdal, Harold, Newcastle WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1570.....\$104.00**  
**Vandervoort, Reed, Piedmont SD.....2.....Bldd.....Cow.....1362.....\$104.50**  
**Vandervoort, Reed, Piedmont SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1715.....\$103.50**  
**Williamson, Todd Or Melanie, Newell SD.....1.....Blk.....Cowette.....1050.....\$112.00**  
**Williamson, Todd Or Melanie, Newell SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1515.....\$98.00**

**Weigh Up Bulls**  
Baker, Gary Or Nancy, Hermosa SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1825.....\$117.50  
Barlow, Eric Or Elizabeth, Gillette WY.....1.....Red.....Bull.....1600.....\$125.00  
Broken Bridge Livestock, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1975.....\$124.00  
Broken Bridge Livestock, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1710.....\$122.00  
Broken Bridge Livestock, Sturgis SD.....1.....Char.....Bull.....2010.....\$125.00  
Broken Bridge Livestock, Sturgis SD.....1.....Herf.....Bull.....1830.....\$119.00  
Broken Bridge Livestock, Sturgis SD.....2.....Herf.....Bull.....1742.....\$117.00  
Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1920.....\$125.00  
Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1595.....\$123.00  
Curren, Leroy, Aladdin WY.....1.....Red.....Bull.....1925.....\$117.00  
Dickshat, Emmitt, Hermosa SD.....3.....Blk.....Bull.....1926.....\$123.50  
Duprel, Allen M, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1660.....\$112.50  
Duprel, Allen M, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1225.....\$133.00  
Eatherton, Chermey A, Upton WY.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1480.....\$120.00  
Frederickson, Nate, Spearfish SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1965.....\$115.00  
Frederickson, Nate, Spearfish SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1805.....\$124.00  
Frederickson, Nate, Spearfish SD.....3.....Blk.....Bull.....1431.....\$116.50  
Frederickson, Nate, Spearfish SD.....2.....Herf.....Bull.....1672.....\$115.50  
Kokesh, Rich Or Sherry, Belle Fourche SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1390.....\$112.00  
Lazy HD LLC, St Onge SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....2245.....\$122.00  
Mailoux, Gary, Vale SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1970.....\$112.50  
Piekiola, Robert, Newell SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1395.....\$108.00  
Schlecht, Kirby, Whitewood SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1895.....\$126.00  
Shepperson, Anita, Upton WY.....2.....Blk.....Bull.....1477.....\$116.50  
Smith Ranch Inc, Broadus MT.....2.....Blk.....Bull.....2007.....\$122.00  
Smith Ranch Inc, Broadus MT.....2.....Blk.....Bull.....1957.....\$127.00  
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**Sheep Report - Thursday, April 20, 2023**  
Just old crop lambs today and they sold a little lower  
Slaughter ewes sold steady to \$3 higher  
  
Next Sale - April 27th - New Crop Lamb Special - 1 PM  
Animals should be here by noon so they can be weighed before the sale  
Thank You For Your Business!

**Feeder Lambs**  
Haynie, Theresa, Circle MT.....131...Lamb.....85.....\$183.00  
Jensen, Andrew, Newell SD.....17...Lamb.....96.....\$142.00

**Bred Ewes - Sold By The Head**  
Haynie, Theresa, Circle MT.....38...S-Ss Ewes.....178.....\$175.00

**Slaughter Ewes**  
Hausman, Brittany, Buffalo SD.....26...K Ewe.....152.....\$58.00  
Hausman, Brittany, Buffalo SD.....14...K Ewe.....132.....\$46.00  
Isenberger/Litton Livestock LLC, Gillette WY...11...K Ewe.....138.....\$58.00  
Isenberger/Litton Livestock LLC, Gillette WY...14...K Ewe.....123.....\$46.00  
Lambert Ranch, Bill, Hammond MT.....10...K Ewe.....189.....\$66.00  
Oilla, David, Newell SD.....17...K Ewe.....219.....\$57.00  
Randall, Ross, Broadus MT.....6...K Ewe.....194.....\$66.00  
West, Kyle & Shelly, Oshoto WY.....24...K Ewe.....179.....\$66.00  
West, Kyle & Shelly, Oshoto WY.....16...K Ewe.....156.....\$58.00

**Slaughter Bucks**  
Randall, Ross, Broadus MT.....5.....Kbuck.....209.....\$61.00

**NEWELL SHEEP YARDS**  
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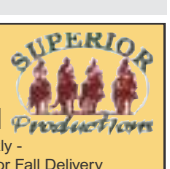
**2023 SHEEP SALES**  
May 4th - Regular Sheep Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
May 11th - Regular Sheep Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
May 18th - Regular Sheep Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
May 25th - New Crop Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
June 1st - Regular Sheep Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
June 8th - No Sale  
June 15th - Regular Sheep Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
June 22nd - Regular Sheep Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
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May 5th - Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special - Selling All Classes  
May 12th - Bred Cow & Pair Special - Selling All Classes  
May 19th - Regular Sale & Turn Out Bull Sale - Selling All Classes  
May 26th - Pair Special - Selling All Classes  
June 2nd - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes  
June 9th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes  
June 16th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes  
June 23rd - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes  
June 30th - No Sale  
July 7th - No Sale  
July 14th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes  
July 21st - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes  
July 28th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes

**Friday, April 23, 2023**  
**Bred Cow & Pair Special**  
**1:00 PM - Weigh Ups 11:00 Noon - Feeder Cattle**  
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We also have a receiving station at the Broadus Yards, Broadus, MT. You can drop your cattle off every Thursday from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. For more information, call Brandy Escott at 406-951-1666, Tyler at 406-853-5690 or Justin Tupper at 605-680-0259.

SDDOT Seeks Public Input for Proposed S.D. Highway 79 Reconstruction Project from Slim Buttes to S.D. Highway 20

REVA, S.D. - The South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) will hold a public meeting open house on Thursday, May 4, 2023, from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. MT to inform area residents of the proposed S.D. Highway 79 reconstruction project from south of Slim Buttes to S.D. Highway 20.

The public meeting open house will be held at Reva Town Hall, located at 14753 S.D. Highway 20 in Reva. The public meeting open house will

be informal allowing for one-on-one discussion with design staff.

Representatives from SDDOT will be available to answer questions, discuss the project, and receive community input. Information will be available on the acquisition of right-of-way and relocation assistance. A short presentation will be shared at 5:30 p.m.

The purpose of the public meeting is to provide information and gather public

input. Area residents, business owners, and daily commuters are encouraged to attend and participate in the public meeting open house. This project is being developed in compliance with state and federal environmental regulations.

For those who cannot attend the open house or desire additional information on the overall study, information is available online at [https://dot.sd.gov/projects-studies/projects/public-meetings#listItemLink\\_1895](https://dot.sd.gov/projects-studies/projects/public-meetings#listItemLink_1895). The website also allows for online written comments to be submitted. Written comments on this public meeting will be accepted until Friday, May 19, 2023.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this open house is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable accommodation to participate in the open house should submit a request to the

department's ADA Coordinator at 605-773-3540 or 1-800-877-1113 (Telecommunication Relay Services for the Deaf). Please request the accommodations no later than two business days prior to the meeting to ensure accommodations are available.

For more information, contact Mark Malone, Road Design Engineering Supervisor at 605-773-5409 or [Mark.Malone@state.sd.us](mailto:Mark.Malone@state.sd.us).





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All Around			
Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Stetson Wright	\$153,429.25	Milford, UT
5	Trevor Hale	\$40,836.54	Perryton, TX
6	Eli Lord	\$28,695.95	Sturgis, SD
Saddle Bronc Riding			
Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Stetson Wright	\$104,246.66	Milford, UT
11	Brody Cress	\$43,102.39	Hillsdale, WY
12	Cash Wilson	\$43,063.32	Wall, SD
13	Wyatt Casper	\$41,616.75	Miami, TX
14	S. Garrett	\$38,087.31	Eagle Butte, SD
Team Roping			
Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	J. Buhler	\$75,834.63	Arrowwood, AB
2	B. Hawkins	\$57,240.10	Stephenville, TX
3	Levi Lord	\$49,143.12	Sturgis, SD
4	Justin Davis	\$44,266.40	Cottonwood, CA
Steer Roping			
Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Cole Patterson	\$42,960.72	Pratt, KS
2	Reo Lohse	\$34,983.06	Kaycee, WY
3	Jess Tierney	\$33,803.63	Hermosa, SD
Barrel Racing			
Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Jordon Briggs	\$87,894.72	Tolar, TX
11	M. Crowther	\$32,448.85	N. Fort Myers, FL
12	Jessica Routier	\$31,866.65	Buffalo, SD
13	Lisa Lockhart	\$31,680.01	Oelrichs, SD
Breakaway Roping			
Rank	Name	Earnings	Hometown
1	Hali Williams	\$91,913.77	Comanche, TX
8	Samantha Fulton	\$23,695.60	Miller, SD
9	J J Hampton	\$22,734.45	Stephenville, TX
10	Sawyer Gilbert	\$22,600.79	Buffalo, SD

## The Good Stuff

by Jim Thompson



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

So you say you need some Christian jokes for coffee? Here are some I've been collecting through the years;

### Christian One Liners

Don't let your worries get the best of you; Remember, Moses started out as a basket case.

Some people are kind, polite, and thoughtful Until you try to sit in their pews.

Many folks want to serve God, But only as advisers.

It is easier to preach ten sermons Than it is to live one.

People are funny. They want the front of the bus, middle of the road, and back of the church.

Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on the front door forever.

Quit griping about your church; If it was perfect, you couldn't belong.

If a church wants a better pastor, It only needs to pray for the one it has.

We're called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.

God Himself doesn't propose to judge a man until he is dead. So why should you?

Some minds are like concrete Thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.

Peace starts with a smile.

I don't know why some people change churches; What difference does it make which one you stay home from?

Be ye fishers of men. You catch 'em - He'll clean 'em.

*Sitting here thanking God for good friends, I'm Jim Thompson.*

Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.

Don't wait for six strong men to take you to church.

Forbidden fruits create many jams.

God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.

God grades on the cross, not the curve.

God loves everyone, But probably prefers 'fruits of the spirit' over 'religious nuts!'

God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage.

He who angers you, controls you!

If God is your Co-pilot, swap seats!

Prayer: Don't give God instructions, just report for duty!

The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

The Will of God never takes you to where the Grace of God will not protect you.

We don't change the message. The message changes us.

You can tell how big a person is by what it takes to discourage him/her.

The best mathematical equation I have ever seen: 1 cross + 3 nails = 4 given.

There is no greater treasure than a good friend!

## Justin Smith Gets Much-needed Win with San Angelo Rodeo Title

SAN ANGELO, Texas - Justin Smith didn't have the season he wanted a year ago, but in rodeo, cowboys must look out the windshield instead of the rear-view mirror.

Smith qualified for his first Wrangler National Finals Rodeo in 2021, but then adversity struck. His good horse Doc went down with an injury, which forced the Leesville, La., tie-down roper to find a new mount.

The rest of the season didn't go as planned. He finished outside of the top 50 of the PRCA | RAM World Standings with \$17,545, which kept him out of qualifying for a majority of the big winter rodeos, except for one. That was the San Angelo (Texas) Rodeo.

He made the most of his opportunity at the PRCA Playoff Series rodeo on Friday night. After laying down a 6.9-second run in Round 2, he came into the finals with the lead on two head. He took care of the rest with an 8.4-second run in front

of a sold-out crowd at the Foster Communications Coliseum to secure the average title with 23.7 seconds on three head.

"I didn't get into any of the other big rodeos this year," said Smith, 25. "I just kind of took some time off and seasoned a horse last year after mine went down. That made it to where this was about the only one that I got into. So, to capitalize like this in San Angelo it means everything."

He said having Doc back underneath him is a feeling unlike any other and the crowd got to experience their chemistry firsthand the past two weeks in the heart of Texas.

"I've rode that horse since I was in junior high," he said. "We bought him as a two-year-old and broke and trained him. I've rode him my entire life, he's pretty much the only horse I've really ever had. So, to have him back really makes a difference and I couldn't be more comfortable on him."

Smith pocketed more than

\$18,000 for his three runs in San Angelo, which will likely move him into the top 30 in the world standings. He said even with the slow start to the year, he still has his eyes set on Las Vegas come December.

"It's absolutely still my goal to be in Las Vegas this year. My horse is getting a little age on him now being 19, but he's as sound as ever," Smith said. "I'm going to ride him at the big ones this year and try to capitalize when I'm on him. I think that'll be key to me having success."

Other winners at the \$699,710 rodeo were bareback rider Leighton Berry (175.5 points on two head); steer wrestler Jay Williamson (12.1 seconds on three head); saddle bronc rider Dawson Hay (178.5 points on two head); team ropers J.C. Yeahquo/L.J. Yeahquo (12.3 seconds on three head); barrel racer Kassie Mowry (43.86 seconds on three runs); and bull rider Deklan Garland (174.5 points on two head).





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**County Commission Distributes Opioid Settlement**

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BELLE FOURCHE-The Butte County Commissioners decided to divide the National Opioid Settlement funds to three county resources that include Action for the Betterment of the Community (ABC), the New Dawn Center, and drug court. The funds are redeemed from

the settlement given by manufacturers of opioid drugs prescribed throughout the nation. According to State's Attorney LeEllen McCartney, 70 percent of the funds went to the state and 30 percent went to participating local governments.

After taking a look at the list of approved uses, McCartney

**Opioid C3**

**Baseball Contd.from A4**

left field for a single on the following pitch, and Vissia dives another single to center scoring one. Two more runs scored on Thomsen's hard hit single, and a single from Wahlfeldt resulted in a pitching change. Walding drew a walk and had a couple runners score on some errant wild pitches, a walk from Howard and a single from JT Hahne scored another, and after the top of the second the Broncos were well ahead 10-0. Budmayr would pick up a couple of strikeouts in the bottom half

of the inning, surrendered a single, but no harm done for the Broncos. Walks from Thomsen and Wahlfeldt, and a single from Walding loaded the bases up once again for Belle Fourche as a line drive single into center from Pearson scored the first of the inning, but that would be all the Broncos get across in the third.

A lead off single for the Cavaliers was left standing at first base as a couple more strikeouts and pop out resulted in another quick inning for St. Thomas More. The top of

**WISDOM FROM OUT WEST!**  
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**Rebuilding the Chutes**

Whew!

We are in the undertaking of rebuilding our old loading chute. It was originally built by my father and then repaired and added on to over the years. It has gotten a little scary to use, tho' one of the owners of cattle we summered last year, told me not to change a thing as it works great. And it has, so far. But the posts are no longer straight and plumb and some of the planks are weak. So it is time.

I went down today and started moving junk, that had gotten piled up over the years and almost in the way. We plan to move the chute further west, so all that needed to go. I found out I am old, fat and out of shape! Imagine that!

Chance had went to do some dirt work with his skid steer and showed up about the time I was finishing up. I had a grandson who was working here and he had went and fixed fence. So we all gathered round and discussed how to set up the pens leading into the chute as they are getting rickety also.

I have seen some great things with a Bud Box and we have something similar on our working chute that works good so we will need to change

some fences. Sounds like the plan is now to use free standing panels and if everything works well, then put in permanent.

I read in one of Spike Van Cleves book a statement that I agreed with. He said, "Seems like I have to rebuild corrals about every twenty years." Yup, me too. And many folks are now putting in pipe and sucker rod, which make a stout, pretty good looking corral. But what I have noticed, when ever I rebuilt some, I had discovered that maybe they weren't situated to be the handiest and by moving some fences, you could get cattle to flow better. I am plumb anal about that. When things are set up right, cattle will smoothly pass thru a chute or get with minimal interference and thus they have less stress as do the people working with them. So I am not a fan of permanent corrals, until you are sure they are the best. I would sure hate to have to tear a bunch of that pipe fence out and rebuild it.

About the time they came out with the tub system for working cattle thru' a working chute and everyone had got one set up, someone discovered that a double alley actually works better. Most wouldn't mess with a double alley as they

already had invested time and money in a tub. I have worked around both and when set up right, the double alley is my preferred system. So I'm sure glad I never made a tub. Tho' I did somewhat mimic one, and it never worked as good as it should have.

I also like to have things set to where it is handy to use whether you are afoot or horseback. Gates that latch at the corner so there is no room to get to them while on a horse, especially with chains, is a personal pet peeve!

I have got most of mine set up to where they are easy to open when on a horse or afoot. But I haven't yet found the perfect latch. Easy to operate and stout!

So, we strive on. I know I am sore and tired and perhaps a stiff shot of Who Hit John just might be in the cards!

Enjoy this lovely spring weather, and if you get some snow, just remember, it can snow about any time in South Dakota. Mother Nature don't always pay much attention to the calendar!

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**Pastor's Perspective**

*This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Stephen Carson, Belle Fourche Connection Church*



**"Praise Him from whom all Blessings Flow!"**

There is an old, famous hymn known as the Doxology, which states, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" Many people grew up singing those words in church services, spanning many different denominations. And that old hymn is such a great reminder of the many blessings that we receive from the hand of our benevolent Father. However, unfortunately, we live in a largely unthankful society today. We have been so blessed with so much that we are prone to forget the Source from which all our blessings flow.

The apostle Paul, writing to the church at Thessalonica, wrote this in I Thessalonians 5:18, "In everything give thanks, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Often people will ask the question, what is God's will for my life? And typically, they are wanting to know God's will in a particular, narrow area of their life, such as who they should marry, where they should live, what job they should take, etc. Normally, when I am asked by a person about God's will for their lives, I will ask them this question: Have you been regularly reading your bible? And probably 90% of the time their answer is no, or at least, not regularly.

Yet we know that God speaks to us through His scriptures. The example given above in I Thessalonians 5:18 is one example of many. From reading that

verse we can know with complete certainty that part of God's will for us is that we are to be people of thankfulness to God. If a person is a Christian, he is to be a person who humbly thanks God for who He is and what He has done for him. He is to thank God for His activity in his life and for His many blessings. In fact, he is to thank God at all times as Paul wrote. The Christian must praise God in the calm days and in the stormy days of life because God is always faithful and He is always with us.

As you seek God's will in various, specific areas of your life make sure that you are first pursuing God and obeying Him in areas that we can know for certain are His will. Often what I've found is that people want to know God's specific will in an area of their life when they are not willing to first obey God in the areas that they know 100% for certain to be His will as revealed to us in the scriptures.

So, today, I can tell you with conviction and clarity that God's will for you and me is that we give thanks to God in everything. Now, this is critical in all of this....do you know the Source of your blessings? Do you have a relationship with the One to whom you should give thanks? If not, please reach out and we would love to talk with you about how you can know God and be made new through what Jesus has done for you.

In closing, I would also like to ask you this, what are you thankful for today? Whatever it is, just stop right now and thank God.


the 4th resulted in more of the same, as Voyles reached on an error and scored on Budmayr's deep fly double, who would score on Vissia's double. Thomsen would walk, but the scoring was done in the 4th as the Cavaliers were able to get the next three Broncos out. STM got their leadoff hitter on base again with a walk, but back-to-back strikeouts followed by a fielder's choice ended the threat quickly. After a couple pinch hit outs to begin the 5th inning, Trig Thomsen drew a pinch-hit walk, Budmayr single to right,

followed by a walk from Vissia, and Carbajal scored another run. All three baserunners would score on the next at bat as Wahlfeldt hit a double off the left field fence bringing the score to 17-0 for Belle Fourche. Another lead off walk by the Cavaliers would be left standing at first base as a strikeout, fly out, and groundout back to the pitcher would end the game via the ten-run mercy rule.

Anthony Budmayr got the win on the mound pitching 5 innings, giving up two runs and two walks while striking out eight.

The Broncos are now 3-1 in Class B competition and carry a 4-3 record overall. Belle Fourche is scheduled for another busy week with a varsity contest against Rapid City Christian on Tuesday April 25th in Belle Fourche at 6pm, a JV/ Varsity Doubleheader against St. Thomas More at home on Friday April 28th beginning at 5pm, and then travel to Hot Springs on Sunday April 30th facing off against Gregory County at 3pm and Hot Springs at 5pm.






Mick B. Harrison's  
**Artists License**  
*...and other wonderments.*



**Mick Harrison**

**“Bound For Town”**  
Oil

In my youth I couldn’t wait for Saturday night on the town. I imagine these three early 1900s cowhands felt pretty much the same after long days and hours in the saddle.



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Capitol News



Filling in for Karen this week is Charlie Odell

Since I haven’t done the news for quite some time I decided to give Karen a break and do it. I finished the State and Federal Taxes and got them mailed on the last due day. On Wednesday I inspected some cows for Schell-Long Pines. I went to Ft Meade for a Doctors appointment on Thursday. I fed hay and cake every day. Karen is working on getting the Sugar Creek History updated. She spent the week at various tasks. She wrote and printed some music and painted some doors. She did some sewing and dried some fruit. She also cut some window shades for her van. We went to the Methodist Church on Sunday and Karen played piano. We ate dinner at the Over the Edge.

Bruce and Lynn Gustafson went to the hills for medicines and some groceries on Wednesday. On Thursday night Lynn went to Bible study at the Methodist Church. They went to church at Little Missouri on Sunday.

Erma Albert went to the Senior Citizens and played cards on Tuesday. On Thursday she and Dick went to Spearfish for groceries and supplies. They went to the Senior Citizens dinner on Friday. Erma stayed and played cards. They went to church on Sunday and then ate dinner at the Number 3.

Doug and Julia Davis pretty much stayed home all week. Julia did go to work three days during the week. They are still calving.

Dawn and Dorothy Padden went to Bowman for a Track Meet on Tuesday. Dawn said it was massive with 40+ school competing. Ashley did some farming and they sorted cows to get ready for branding.

Pete Anderson went to the Community Center fund raiser Saturday night. He went to the

Methodist Church on Sunday and ate dinner at the Over the Edge.

Chancey Odell went to the Community Center fund raiser Saturday night.

I called Ronda Cordell for news and she was happy to inform me that she had just typed the first sentence when the phone rang. She said that she not always that ‘on the ball’, especially with calving going full tilt. They had postponed calving a week from the starting dates of previous years. The heifers were due March 28th and the older cows April 6th this year. They are on the downhill slide. She is still making at least 10-15 tags per day. We visited a bit about the weather. On April 11th, which would have been her mother’s 110th birthday, the temperature set records in areas of South Dakota and Montana. Her thermometer hit 88.6 degrees in the afternoon. And it was in the shade. To out-guess the weather and make it work for calving is nearly impossible. On the hot days new born baby calves need to be watched because they can die of heat stroke. This usually isn’t a problem during calving unless some late calvers are kept. The nice days sometime seem short-lived. This past week, we were greeted with overcast, squally weather and horrible winds both day and night. When KOTA talked of the forecasted 50 m.p.h. wind gusts, they sympathized with us. With wind like that and 32degree temperatures, a calf could chill down. The thermometer read 14degrees one morning this week and in the 20’s several other mornings. Ronda’s only get-away this week was on Thursday when she took mail to town in the late afternoon. The Over the Edge was open so she enjoyed supper before heading

home to do chores.

Sunday turned out to be a very beautiful day, even if it began with temperatures in the 20’s. She got out and did a lot of raking and cleaning around the yard and shops. The burn pile is growing. She’s hoping for rain before burning it. Curt Zolnoski stopped by Monday morning before heading to Hannah’s to work. He and another Achitectural Specialities employee had spent the night in her calving trailer. Erik Berglund came to Hannah’s on Monday to help finish the job. The Zolnoski’s and Gene Secrest were entertaining the flu, so they all stayed away from them. Not much going, but calving, feeding and doing chores.

Ernie, Rachel and Tommy Melum went to Ekalaka to Tommy’s home school program, the “Living Wax Museum”. Each kids had to be a character and Tommy chose J. I. Case, who improved the thrashing machine. They are still calving.

Alvin and Marlee Cordell went to Belle Fourche for Gavin’s baseball games on Saturday. He won one and lost one. On Wednesday Cody Selting came out and a cement truck brought out a load of cement to pour around some water tanks. Some Minnesota turkey hunter came on Friday and got their turkeys and left on Sunday. Alvin and Marlee went in to the Community Center Fund Raiser on Saturday night. They went into town for supper on Sunday night. Their calving is winding down.

It has been a up and down year with 80 degrees one day and the 30’s a couple of days later. The temperatures are forecasted to be more normal this week. I hope that everyone has a great week and Karen will be talking to you next Sunday.



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Central Meade County News



By Sandy Rhoden

The Cammack Ranch Supply Open House took place last week with a bit smaller trade show and a few less attendees. But never the less, it was a fun time to be among so many good friends and neighbors. Folks from SDPB who are working on featuring the Union Center Community asked questions and were focused on schools and our way of living in this rural community. Community in Rural Meade County includes much more than the Union Center area, but about a radius of about 30 miles in every direction. They took pictures of the school kids from Atall School and Central Meade, located in Union Center.

It worked out well on Thursday for folks attending Rural Neighbors as they dropped in at the Community Center for CRS Days and had their free pancakes and sausage before heading over to the church for Rural Neighbors. One of the SDPB workers went to Rural Neighbors to do some interviews as Lorie (Rhoden) Hausmann took her there in order to make use of the opportunity.

Larry and Sandy Rhoden attended the SD National Guard officers Association Annual Conference on Friday morning in Deadwood where Larry addressed the group as Lt. Governor. They also attended the annual Vietnam Veterans Reunion and fundraiser on Saturday night where Larry addressed that crowd as well.

This Wednesday there will be ice cream and cake for 8th grad-

ers graduating from Soldiers of the Cross. The weekly youth group meets every Wednesday after school at the Community Baptist Church in Union Center and this will be their last meeting for this school year. Kanin Smith, Hunter Rhoden and Tance Spring are the 8th graders and they have been attending Soldiers of the Cross since kindergarten. We wish them all the best in high school.

The Meade 46-1 School Board has a plan to hold three meetings within the school district to discuss the demographics and facility master plan throughout Meade 46-1 School District. The Rural Meade School commons area in Union Center was the location for Monday’s meeting at 6:00 pm. The purpose for the meetings was to explain the potential growth of the district and to provide an understanding of the various needs of each facility and the planning for future projects. Sturgis Williams Middle School in the Grunwald Auditorium will be the location of the 3rd meeting at 6:00 pm on Thursday, April 27.

Every once in a while we are gifted here on Earth with something spectacular that we can share at the same time all over the country. What we call the Norther Lights, Sunday night’s lights were especially spectacular. While some absorbed with their eyes the beautiful, warm & cool colors, from my point of view I saw the white lights dancing over head. They were not just in the northern skies, but they extended to the east, over head and even a bit toward the south. They appeared so very close and exuded life in the sky that I have never experienced. It was one of God’s ways to capture our attention and remind us of just how amazing He is. My hope is that he will do it much more often in the days to come.

From B3  
Opioid

and County Auditor Annie Reich, had four recommendations. ABC is a local organization that has drug and alcohol counselors and treatment.

Criminal defendants that need referrals and juveniles are some of their clients. The New Dawn is located south of Vale, SD and is a treatment center for men.

Their clientele include veterans as well as others with

drug and alcohol addictions. The center is run by ABC at this time.

The third option for funding is drug court. Drug court is used by someone who is charged with a felony drug offense and could be considered a last chance court, said McCartney. Drug Court has strict requirements and is heavily supervised. It has been fairly successful, according to McCartney. Butte County has received \$9,446.48 to date.

Northern Lights put on Northern Hills Show Last Sunday



Stargazers throughout Belle Fourche, Butte County, and the Tri-State Area were treated to quite a show from the Northern Lights last Sunday night. The display was the reulst of a massive Coronal Mass Ejection (CME) event last Friday that sent billioiins of tons of plasma from the sun toward the earth. The weather service office says when CME's arrive at earth they produce some of the largest geomagnetic storms and thus some of the brightest auroras. - Photos by Jodie Baxendale, April 23, 2023.







“Building Main Street, not Wall Street”

by John Newby

## Impact of the Local Multiplier Effect

Supporting local business has long been recognized as the key factor in driving economic growth and community development. Studies consistently show that when consumers spend their money at local businesses, the benefits multiply and have a compounding effect on the local economy. This compounding phenomenon is known as the “local multiplier effect,” and can have a significant impact on small communities, leading to increased jobs, higher income levels, and overall economic vitality. Let’s take a closer look at how the local multiplier effect works, supported by studies and results.

The local multiplier effect refers to the idea that when consumers spend money at a local business, that money circulates within the local economy



creating a chain reaction of economic activity. This occurs because local businesses are more likely to purchase goods and services from other local businesses, thereby keeping money within the community and stimulating additional economic transactions. As a result, the initial dollar spent at a local business can “multiply” having a ripple effect on the local economy, which generates more income and creates a vital cycle of economic growth.

Several studies have provided evidence of the local multiplier effect and its positive impact on local economies. For instance, a study conducted by Civic Economics, a consulting firm specializing in analyzing the economic impact of local businesses, found that in the United States, local retailers recirculate

48% of their revenue back into the local economy, compared to only 14% for chain retailers. This 300% or 3 to 1 increase was supported in a similar study conducted by the Institute for Local Self-Reliance. They found that independent businesses in Austin, Texas recirculate 45% of their revenue within the local economy, compared to only 14% for large chain stores. These two studies demonstrate that local businesses are more likely to reinvest their profits back into the community, which can result in a multiplier effect stimulating further economic activity.

The local multiplier effect also has a significant impact on job creation. Local businesses are more labor-intensive compared to large chain stores, as they often require more human resources to operate. A study conducted by the U.S. Small Business Administration found that small businesses, including local retailers, create two out of every three net new jobs in the United States. Moreover, a

study conducted by the American Independent Business Alliance found that for every \$100 spent at a local business, on average, \$68 stays in the local economy in the form of wages paid to local employees. This indicates that supporting local businesses not only contributes to job creation but also helps to sustain and improve local income levels.

Furthermore, the local multiplier effect can lead to increased tax revenue for local governments, which can be used to fund essential public services such as roads, parks, and infrastructure. Local businesses generate tax revenue through various channels, including sales tax, property tax, and payroll tax. A study conducted by the Andersonville Study of Retail Economics, which analyzed the impact of local businesses in Chicago, found that local retailers generate 70% more local economic impact per square foot compared to chain retailers primarily due to their higher contribution to property taxes. This suggests that supporting local businesses can have a positive effect on local government

revenue, enabling them to invest in community development and enhance the overall quality of life for residents.

The local multiplier effect also fosters community engagement and social cohesion. Local businesses are often deeply embedded in the fabric of the community, owned and operated by local residents who are invested in the well-being of the community. They are more likely to support local initiatives, participate in community events, and contribute to local causes. For example, local businesses may sponsor local sports teams, donate to local charities, or engage in other philanthropic activities. These contributions help to build a sense of community pride, strengthen social ties, and promote a vibrant and cohesive community culture.

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## Event Calendar

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From A5 **Williamson** approach and thinking to identify effective solutions to preparing, recruiting, and retaining nurses.”

He elaborated on his vision, “Train like you care; care like you train!”

“I believe that training of nurses needs to be as realistic as possible. Nursing students need to train hard and with a caring attitude, so that when they get out on the hospital floors they can provide care to those patients in the manner in which they trained.”

“Nursing research is showing that the average patient has a higher acuity and nurses are caring for higher volume and more difficult patients than ever before. With more emphasis on being fiscally responsible, hospitals don’t have the luxury of extensive orientations, therefore student nurses need to be trained in such a manner that they can jump right in and care like they’ve trained,” he emphasized.

Williamson quickly identified specific best instruction methods that he practices. “Instruction must go beyond the lecture and involve active learning. Evidence-based methods of instruction, such as the case study presentations, help to foster critical reasoning and thinking in the learners,” he stated.

Williamson’s professional strengths are his analytical mind and ability to clarify optional solutions. “I love creatively thinking about improving situations, processes, and systems. I continue to work on the clarity and thoughtfulness of my communication.”

“I believe the fastest and best way to motivate change is to change the hearers paradigm or how they see the situation. It’s not about simply imparting knowledge or even skill, but rather causing the learners to reflect and examine within, recognizing the need for change that inspires and motivates learners to adopt changes,” he asserted.

He quickly added, “Research and education are the bedrock of the nursing profession that with-

out best practice, which comes from research, and education to teach best practice, then nursing would not be a worthy profession.”

Williamson identified that a nurse pursuing a PhD to become an educator must have the same qualities that are the “best fit to provide the best-evidenced based teaching strategies to prepare our new nurses or keep our current nurses competent.” He included, “I’m still figuring these out myself, although, self-discipline & motivation, love for learning, and leadership qualities would go a long way.”

Dr. Suzanne Campbell, Director of Nursing at Monument Health Spearfish Hospital, eagerly shared her observations and interactions with Williamson. “Brian is a born educator; he enjoys teaching others using situations from his work experiences. He can make learning easy and enjoyable for others. He answered questions with fore-thought and applicable answers/examples. He is a committed husband and father so he knows how to speak to impressionable learners with kindness and thoughtfulness. Currently he teaches BLS, ACLS, TNCC, ICU/PCU medications, EKG interpretation, and other healthcare related courses.”

Dr. Campbell addressed his competency in developing new policies. “Brian has authored many policies related to Emergency Department, Medical/Surgical Unit, and the Intensive Care Unit. He is very detailed oriented and seeks best practice and reads the current research on the given topics. He isn’t afraid to speak if he realizes there a “better” way to provide a service or care to our patients. He is very passionate about the current mental health crisis and seeks the best route to providing the care our community and patients need.

She concluded with remarks about his personal characteristics, “Brian wears a very genuine and beautiful smile which puts others at ease. He is positive, and kind, and he looks for qualities

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Upon discovering that Williamson is not only a doctoral student, but a present, active, and devoted father of eleven children, I asked him what personal characteristics are required to balance his family life and professional and student obligations. “Self-motivation, dedication, an ability to prioritize and adjust focus based on present need,” he spontaneously replied.

The Brian and Lara Williamson family includes Bryn (20) married to Jason with Evelina (1.5) and Rafe (4 months), Ava (18) married to Luke, Alena (16),

Kate (15), Daven (13), Brennan (11), Twila (9), Krissa (7), Clara (5), Rand (2), and Mari (2 months). “We live out of town, have a few acres, chickens, cats, and a dog. We like to hike, go cross-country skiing, hunt, and camp. In my spare time (which is minimal), I like to read and study leadership and de-escalation/self-defense skills. I am a Christian and attend the Old Apostolic Lutheran Church.”

A typical day for Williamson is “packed and prioritized.”

“Normally, I get up and get myself ready for the day. Make breakfast for our school kids and comb our youngest girl’s hair. Head to work at the Hospital and balance all the competing priorities, including helping the nursing team at the bedside, discussing patient and family concerns, and making preparations for the future of our facility and units. I try to be home for supper, where we all sit together. During dinner, usually, each

child expresses what in their day was... awesome and hard, and what they hope for future. We all pitch in to complete evening and dinner chores, followed by a bedtime routine of gathering together to say our Lord’s Prayer. After kids are in bed, I usually attempt to accomplish some homework before bedtime routine and then get some sleep.”

In closing, Williamson quoted Zig Zigler, “You can have everything in life you want if you will just help enough other people get what they want.” That is precisely what Brian Williamson has dedicated his life to accomplishing in nursing education. The SDNF is honored to abet his success.

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123 years ago  
Belle Fourche TIMES  
April 21, 1898  
**OUR ULTIMATUM**  
*It was Sent to Spain Last Evening All Now Depends on Spain's Answer if it is War or Not*

President McKinley cabled his ultimatum to Spain yesterday afternoon, along with the joint Cuban resolution passed by Congress. The document will not be made public until it is known to have been received by the Spanish government. It is understood, however, that the President has given them between one and three day to evacuate from Cuba. Spain is expected to answer by handing Minister Woodford his passports and then – the fireworks.

*Tuesday's Municipal Elections*  
Sol Star was re-elected mayor of Deadwood on Thursday by a majority of 367 over A. H. Oleson. This will make Mr. Starr's twelfth term as mayor. At Spearfish John Wolzmuht defeated Milton Connors by 14 votes, for mayor. John Scotland won out by 44 majority for mayor of Sturgis. Rapid City elected Geo B. Mansfield as mayor. At Lead City P. A. Gusthust for mayor received a majority of 573 over James Cusick. The results at Minnesota is still in doubt.



Sol Star



Seth Bullock

Seth Bullock was an arrival on Tuesday's train. He was accompanied by W J. Bishopp and J. R. Hall of Minneapolis and George Dayton of Worthington, Minnesota. The gentlemen took a circuit about the town and left about 5 o'clock for Spearfish. The two former, at least, are prominently connected with the Belle Fourche Smelting & Refining company, but if there was any significance in their visit here at this time, they succeeded in keeping it mighty quiet. However, there is some solace in the thought that if any smelting and refining takes place in this vicinity, we will come pretty near finding it out.

100 years ago  
Northwest Post  
April 19, 1923  
**RESULTS OF TUESDAY'S ELECTION** *Elmer Astin Elected Mayor; With Robert Voyles and Otto Barnett for Commissioners*

The city election in Belle Fourche last Tuesday was the most spirited of any held in this city for many years, owing to the fact that there were two complete tickets in the field. The friends and supporters of the several candidates were quite active during the day and a fair sized vote was cast, the total vote for mayor being 515. The ticket headed by Elmer Astin seemed to meet with the approval of the majority of citizens, Mr. Astin winning for mayor by the decisive majority of 64, while Robert Voyles for commissioner had a lead of 78 over his opponent. Otto Barnett was the only successful candidate on the Overpeck ticket, being elected commissioner by a majority of 54.

**A LUSTY YEARLING**  
This week marks the completion of Volume 1 of "Sly's Grocery News" the spicy and entertaining method of advertising adopted a year ago by the enterprising proprietor of one of the liveliest grocery establishments in South Dakota – Mr. E. M. Sly. Since purchasing and taking charge of the Alexander Grocery company's store, every issue of both the Bee and The Northwest Post has carried the weekly message of Mr. Sly, and from the results obtained by this popular trading place, it is safe to say that every reader of both papers has also been a faithful reader of "Sly's Grocery News." Mr. Sly has the natural gift of "talking shop" in a most effective manner to his customers. They have profited by his tips on market conditions and have always found his advice sound. Mr. Sly and his efficient staff of assistants have built up a splendid business by their courteous treatment of customers, the high standard of the



by Mary Buchholz

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75 years ago  
The Belle Fourche Daily Post  
April 17, 1948  
*Arab Army Moves Into Palestine As Battle Rages at Armageddon*

New Arab forces are reported crossing into Palestine to fight for the Arab cause. An Arab military spokesman says 5000 newly-trained Arab troops crossed into the Holy Land from neighboring Trans-Jordan Friday. They will join the battle against the Jews, equipped with modern arms. Both Arab and Jewish sources say their forces are locked in desperate battle on the plains of Armageddon, 55 miles north of Jerusalem. Both Jews and Arabs claim they are winning the plains battle outside the Jewish settlement of Mishmar Haemek. But both sides also admit that reinforcements are being rushed to the scene. Impartial observers are treating casualty reports with great reserve. In the last 48 hours, Arabs have claimed a total of 1100 Jews killed. Arab casualties were listed by the Jew at 61. The Arabs themselves have admitted 14.

50 years ago  
The Belle Fourche Daily Post  
April 21, 1973

*Quiet Election Expected Here*  
There's another election coming up in Belle Fourche Tuesday, but it is expected to be a relatively quiet one. Residents of ward three will go to the polls to decide who will be their city council representative. Jerome Kissick missed getting a majority in the three way race April 10 by four votes, so a runoff election was scheduled for April 24 between Kissick and the second high candidate, Mrs. Dorothy Ogaard.

*So Children Can See That Poets Are People*  
Some people have a hatred of poetry. Some think it is only for sissies and that poems are only written about sunsets, flowers and lovers. A poem can be about anything that happens to you. People think there are lots of rules about poetry but actually there are only a few rules. In writing poetry you can be someone or something other than just yourself. One advantage in having Daniel Lusk visit the Belle Fourche schools next week will be "for the students to see that a poet need not be some elderly man who has had his poems published years ago. They can see that poet is a person that has to earn a living.



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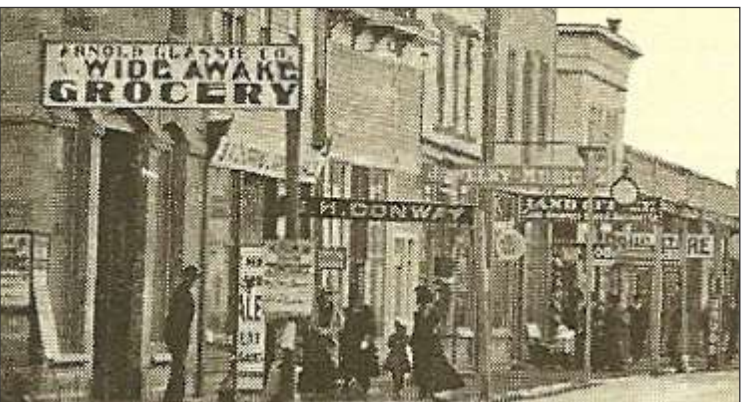
It also helps people like words more; that words can mean many things; that words paint pictures.

*No Easter Egg Hunt*  
There will be no Easter egg hunt today. Jaycee officials called the event off yesterday after it became apparent that Herrmann Park would be in no condition for a hunt as a result of the heavy rain. But this leaves the Jaycees with an assortment of Easter goodies. They have decided to give them away by drawings. Youngsters may register at Frey's anytime this morning and there will be a drawing for Easter prizes this afternoon.

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## City Explores Privatizing City Liquor Sales

BELLE FOURCHE – The Belle Fourche City Council voted 5-to-3 on Monday, Apr. 17, to invite private entities to submit proposals to operate liquor stores within the community.

According to details in the request for proposals (RFP) the city could accept up to five private parties to operate liquor stores within the community.

Expectations in the potential operating agreement between the city and private entities state that the city would retain ownership of the state liquor license but would no longer operate its lone off-sale liquor store once said agreement was in place.

It further states that each operator would pay an initial fee of \$35,000 to the city and an annual renewal fee of \$5,000 each year the agreement was in place.

The city currently operates a lone liquor store, Belle Package Liquor, on the south side of town off Highway 85. The store is operated with six city employees and brought in about \$110,000 last fiscal year, according to the 2022 city annual report.

The RFP is scheduled to go out May 1, with a deadline for submission by 3pm May 31. The city has the option to accept one or more of the proposals or reject all of them and keep things as they are.

Those voting in favor of send-

ing out the RFP's were Council Members Randy Sowers, Derrick Erhart, Monte Talkington, Clark Sowers and Larry Schmaltz. Those voting against were Rebecca Larson, Heidi Parker and Bob Somervold.

The proposal came as a surprise to Larson, who also chairs the council's Legal and Finance Committee.

"There has been some talk that has come up about different options with the liquor store. I will say I was really floored when I saw this on the full council agenda," Larson said. "So I really feel like we're getting ahead of ourselves on this a little bit."

Larson told the council that she saw three options the city could take. "We could continue to own and operate, we could sell the liquor license completely and have nothing to do with it, or this suggestion, which I said I didn't know existed until just recently," Larson said.

Larson expressed two main concerns regarding the RFPs. The first was looking out for the financial interests of the community and the second was the fate of the six city employees who currently work at the store.

"With operating agreements we could have up to five companies that would probably want to hire them because they have more experience than anyone else in town," said Council Member Larry Schmaltz. "That's what we'd be

looking for when some submits a proposal, would that proposal include buying the inventory, or hiring our employees. If we don't like the answers we get in the proposals we don't have to accept them."

"So the liquor store employees would suddenly be unemployed by the city but then rehired," said Council Member Heidi Parker. "Why would they want to stay if that's what they're going to deal with. I would just want to be sure that they would be taken care of."

Parker said she would have favored more "open table discussions" of the issue. "I didn't know we were this far along in the process, so I was just a little stunned when it came before the full council," she said.

From a fiscal standpoint Schmaltz pointed out that there would be initial license fees, annual renewals, third penny and sales tax revenue created by one or more operating agreements, similar to how a few other Black Hills communities operate. With one or more operating agreements the thinking is it would be possible to generate more revenue on a consistent basis than the current process.

"I think it's a good idea to at least explore this and see what our options are," said Council Member Derrick Erhart. "We're not nailing anything down, we're just gauging interest to see what could potentially happen."



Requesting proposals for Privatizing City Liquor Sales was approved by the BF City Council a week ago Monday. The City would maintain control, yet would allow private business to obtain licenses by Operating agreement. *Beacon Photo*

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George Meisner, Sundance WY	1	BwF-Cow	1340	104.00	1,393.60
	1	BwF-Cow	1580	105.00	1,659.00
	1	BwF-Bull	1580	105.00	1,659.00
	1	BwF-Cow	1350	101.00	1,363.50
Michael Pittman, Belle Fourche	1	Black-Cow	1470	102.00	1,499.40
	1	BwF-Cow	1445	104.50	1,510.02
Zane Verhulst, Reva SD	1	Red-Hfrt	1000	171.00	1,710.00
	1	Red-Cow	1305	97.00	1,265.85
Kylee Kennedy, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Cow	1225	91.00	1,114.75
Wolff Ranch Inc, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Hfrt	1045	164.00	1,713.80
William F Kennedy, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Hfrt	1010	169.00	1,706.90
Wolff Ranch Inc, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Cow	1230	100.00	1,230.00
Labree's Red Hill, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Cow	1575	103.00	1,622.25
Ken Bird, Volborg MT	1	Black-Cow	1345	105.00	1,412.25
	1	Black-Cow	1420	102.00	1,448.40
Logan Bird, Volborg MT	1	Black-Cow	1335	104.50	1,395.07
	1	Black-Hfrt	1005	172.00	1,728.60
	1	BwF-Cow	1350	102.00	1,377.00
Todd Goddard, Prairie City SD	1	Black-Hfrt	940	172.00	1,616.80
Steve Nash, Prairie City SD	1	Black-Hfrt	1035	168.00	1,738.80
Todd Goddard, Prairie City SD	1	Black-Cow	1500	104.00	1,560.00
	1	Black-Hfrt	1005	166.00	1,668.30
Steve Nash, Prairie City SD	1	Black-Hfrt	975	174.00	1,696.50
	1	Black-Hfrt	950	166.00	1,577.00
Todd Goddard, Prairie City SD	1	Black-Cow	1465	94.00	1,377.10
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Donsbach Lazy 3, Miles City MT	1	Black-Cowette	1200	106.00	1,272.00
	1	Black-Cow	1415	105.50	1,492.82
	1	RwF-Hfrt	950	174.00	1,653.00
	1	Black-Cowette	1085	153.00	1,660.05
	1	Black-Cow	1165	122.00	1,421.30
Casteel Livestock, Newell SD	1	Black-Cow	1465	105.50	1,545.57
	1	Black-Cow	1525	102.00	1,555.50
	1	Black-Cow	1250	102.50	1,281.25
	1	Black-Cow	1360	106.50	1,448.40
The Hanft Ranch, Dayton WY	12	Black-Cow	1373	103.50	1,420.53
	8	Char-Cow	1468	105.00	1,540.87
	4	Black-Cowette	1101	141.00	1,552.76
	1	Char-Cow	1145	110.00	1,259.50
Ryan Cordell, Camp Crook SD	7	Black-Cow	1379	106.00	1,461.28
	1	Black-Cow	1285	106.00	1,362.10
Ivan Teigen, Capitol MT	3	Blk/BwF-Cow	1503	105.50	1,586.01
S & L Sheep Ranch, Alzada MT	1	Black-Cow	1425	102.00	1,453.50
	1	Black-Cow	1160	119.00	1,380.40

1	Black-Cow	1715	100.50	1,723.57	\$	
Bear Ridge Ranch, Spearfish SD	3	Hfrt-Cowette	1233	122.00	1,504.66	\$
Kyle Lindberg, Alzada MT	1	Black-Cow	1730	108.00	1,868.40	\$
Doug Gardner, Hammond MT	7	Black-Cow	1416	107.00	1,514.81	\$
	6	Black-Cow	1651	105.50	1,741.62	\$
Myles Gardner, Hammond MT	1	Red-Cow	1530	102.00	1,560.60	\$
Tim Reich, Belle Fourche SD	14	Char-Hfrt	1057	158.00	1,670.28	\$
	2	Char-Cow	1480	100.00	1,480.00	\$
	1	Char-Cow	1480	100.00	1,480.00	\$
Schultes Ranch Llc, Howes SD	4	Black-Cowette	1271	114.00	1,449.22	\$
	1	Black-Cowette	1080	110.00	1,188.00	\$
Lyle Jr Long, Howes SD	2	Red-Hfrt	965	167.00	1,611.55	\$
	1	Red-Cowette	1000	137.50	1,375.00	\$
Ed Lawrence, Alzada MT	4	Black-Hfrt	1043	170.00	1,772.25	\$
Ryan Cordell, Camp Crook SD	2	Black-Hfrt	938	177.00	1,659.37	\$
	4	Black-Cow	1386	102.50	1,420.90	\$
	1	Black-Cow	1575	104.00	1,638.00	\$
	1	Black-Cow	1995	105.50	2,104.72	\$
Derek Lermeney, Reva SD	3	Black-Cow	1427	105.50	1,505.13	\$
Andrew Cathey, Hammond MT	3	Blk/BwF-Cow	1560	106.00	1,653.60	\$
	2	Black-Hfrt	975	162.00	1,579.50	\$
	1	Black-Cowette	1370	111.00	1,520.70	\$
Jerry Senn, Opal SD	1	Red-Hfrt	1045	170.00	1,776.50	\$
Heather Senn, Opal SD	2	Red-Hfrt	1033	167.00	1,724.27	\$
Jerry Senn, Opal SD	2	Black-Cowette	1060	137.50	1,457.50	\$
Monte Miller, Sundance WY	3	Black-Cow	1410	104.00	1,466.40	\$
	3	Black-Cow	1202	100.50	1,207.67	\$
Steven Schuidies, Nisland SD	1	Black-Cow	1370	104.00	1,424.80	\$
Cross W Livestock, Ekalaka MT	1	BwF-Cow	1535	104.00	1,596.40	\$
Bryan Tarter, Ashland MT	2	Black-Cow	1320	103.50	1,366.20	\$
	2	Black-Cow	1088	120.00	1,305.00	\$
Mccabe Ag Lip, Ekalaka MT	5	Black-Cow	1429	106.00	1,514.74	\$
	3	Black-Hfrt	1008	170.00	1,714.16	\$
	1	Black-Hfrt	1030	167.00	1,720.10	\$
Painter Inc, Buffalo SD	10	Black-Hfrt	1096	161.50	1,769.23	\$
	2	Red-Hfrt	1183	146.00	1,726.45	\$
	3	Black-Cow	1480	106.00	1,568.80	\$
Matt Disney, Sundance WY	3	Red-Cow	1352	104.50	1,412.49	\$
Cotey Hanson, Nisland SD	1	Black-Hfrt	985	164.00	1,615.40	\$
Kenny McFarland, Belle Fourche SD	18	Blk/BwF-Hfrt	895	181.00	1,620.45	\$
	2	Black-Hfrt	780	162.50	1,267.50	\$
Ckyler Floyd, Ludlow SD	1	Black-Hfrt	860	177.00	1,522.20	\$
TI Burch Ranch Llc, Alzada MT	1	Black-Hfrt	940	169.00	1,588.60	\$
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6 Creeks Farm, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Bull	2200	122.00	2,684.00	\$
	1	Black-Bull	1960	112.00	2,195.20	\$
Steve Mueller, Gillette WY	1	Black-Bull	1705	117.50	2,003.37	\$
Doug Gardner, Hammond MT	1	Black-Bull	2080	117.50	2,444.00	\$
Collins Ranch Llc, Biddle MT	1	Black-Bull	2255	128.00	2,886.40	\$
Zane Verhulst, Reva SD	1	Red-Bull	2130	111.00	2,364.30	\$

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**Excerpts from Dakota Scout**

Do you have a kid in the home under the age of 18? If so, your home is more likely to have a computer tablet than a home without children.

Tablet ownership among homes with children is 22 percent higher than homes without, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. That gap persists even when controlled for race and socioeconomic characteristics.

In households headed by someone with less than a high school education, 60 percent of homes with children had a tablet versus 32 percent without children. Households with less than \$25,000 in annual income had a difference in tablet ownership of 62 percent with children compared to 35 percent without children.

Tablet ownership increased with higher education and incomes, but the gap between those with children and those without continued. Eighty-nine percent of households with children headed by someone with a bachelor’s degree or higher owned a tablet versus 70 percent without children. In households with \$150,000 in annual income, 92 percent of those with children had a tablet while 81 percent of childless houses had tablets.

of the society and has served for 18 years on its board of trustees.

In addition to the Robinson Memorial Award, he is also this year’s recipient of the Herbert S. Schell Award for the best essay in “South Dakota History,” the society’s quarterly journal. The award is named after Herbert S. Schell, who was a history professor at the University of SD from 1925 to 1969.

The Society of Midland Authors released the finalists for its annual book categories. “The Good Country: A History of the American Midwest, 1800-1900”

was among the three finalists in the history category.

The book was written by Jon K. Lauck, a Sioux Falls historian and senior adviser to Sen. John Thune. The book sought to push back on the modern narrative that the Midwest was settled by illiberal racists, a view shared by some in modern academia.

The other two finalists in the history category were “Picasso’s War: How Modern Art Came to America,” by Hugh



Eakin, and “Last Call at the Hotel Imperial: The Reporters Who took on a World at War,” by Deborah Cohen.

Formed in 1915, the Society of Midland Authors promotes creativity among writers in the Midwest.

group consumed 27 percent of the water.

In drought-plagued California last year, critics suggested private pools should be regulated amid mandatory watering restrictions.

Inside Climate News, a nonprofit that reports on climate change, notes that, “The U.S. has more than 10 million residential pools, each of which have a notable carbon footprint and require substantial amounts of water. The average U.S. pool consumes 20,000 gallons of water every year and increases annual electricity use for a house by 50 percent during the summer compared to homes without pools.”

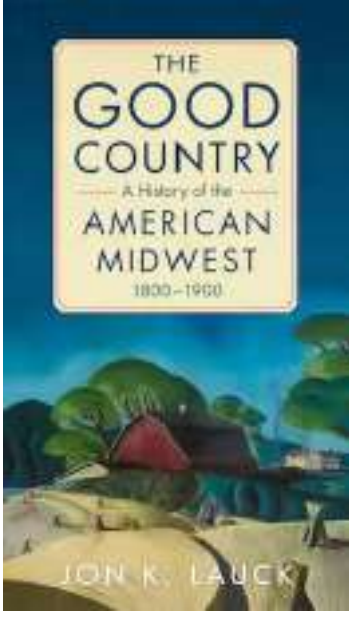
Of course, banning gas stoves and furnaces and switching to electric vehicles also drives up the use of electricity, but climate activists don’t worry so much about that.

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*Newell Ambulance  
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medicine in Motion”  
platform.*

## Betty Bruner

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**NEWELL-**The Newell Ambulance crew is committed to providing the best possible emergency medical services to the NVN area. As a part of this ongoing effort, a new partnership has been added to one of the Newell ambulances with the State of South Dakota and Avel eCare to deploy the new “Telemedicine in Motion” platform. The crew can use iPads to call on Avel eCare’s clinicians 24/7 for help and consultation while treating patients in transit. The technology ensures that virtually no calls are dropped. The goal of this project is to ensure that EMS crews are no longer alone. Clear communication is the key to the entire process.

Jake Sheffield, representative from Avel eCare, was on hand last week to demonstrate the new technology to the Newell Ambulance crew during their regular monthly meeting. Newell is the forty-third ambulance service in South Dakota to receive the new technology. He explained that the plan is to have 60 services done by the end of May. Following the first phase, the remaining services will be added throughout the state. There are 121 emergency services in South Dakota.

“Telemedicine in Motion” is a new program designed to provide telemedicine service to EMS agencies throughout the state. An iPad is installed in the back of the ambulance and a call is made to Avel eCare’s emergency medicine experts who are based in Sioux Falls. The partnership was made possible because of Governor Noem’s leadership and call for increased funding to support local EMS agencies.

There is no cost to the program since it is funded through a combination of federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and state general fund dollars. State general funds will maintain annual service agreements. The one-time ARPA funds will be used for the purchase of hardware, software, and installation.

The EMS crew will call Avel and are then connected to the Avel Emergency team available 24/7/365 via the telehealth-enabled iPad mounted in the back of the ambulance, along with microphones, speakers, antennas, and cellular boosters. Emergency certified emergency

### Ambulance C2

John Heisler and his grandson Michael, try to figure out how the cord moves through the “Think Tube” brought along as a demonstration by the Sanford Lab scientists to the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) night on April 18. - Brunner photo

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NEWELL – In an effort to teach people about math and science in fun new ways, the Title I Program at the Newell School presented a Math and Science evening on Tuesday, April 18 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the school multipurpose room and the middle school gym.

Sanford Underground Research Lab scientists were on hand to explain such things as air pressure movement and how, in science, things are not always as they seem. Some young people tried to figure out how a cord, wound through a pipe, could move.

“We had presentations by teachers to help answer questions parents had about math homework,” said one of the organizers. “We had several ‘make-and-take’ activities for the students to take home, illustrating different levels of math games.”

There were multiple stations in the lunchroom with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) hands on projects for people to enjoy.

The Newell High School science students helped with the ideas and stations. People were able to take advantage of the opportunity to enjoy resources and get new ideas to incorporate into Math and Science at home.



NHS Senior Aundra Stark (right center) shows students how to run the robot cars that had been created in the robotics class at Newell. - Brunner photo

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NEWELL – Wednesday, April 19, all the Superheroes in the NVN area were invited to enjoy a complimentary breakfast at the Newell school, sponsored by the Whatever it Takes Coalition and the Newell school.

The first ever event was held from 7 to 8 a.m. in the school lunchroom and consisted of biscuits and gravy, cereal, fruit, juices, milk, and coffee. No one went away hungry.

Although the Superhero breakfast was the brainstorm of WIT Director Sabrina Harmon,

she was not in attendance as she was at the bedside of her husband, Richard, who had been injured in a fall at their home. But, as usual, she had everything planned and it ran like clockwork, serving nearly 50 community members that had been specially invited.

"I had around 80 RSVP," said Harmon. "They had asked me to remind them, but I was a little busy," she laughed. Her cohorts, including the awesome kitchen staff and administration at the school took over and presented a wonderful time for



LEO Club President Sarah Kirby and Lions Club member Donna Wetz enjoyed each other's company while enjoying the free Superhero breakfast on Wednesday. - Brunner photo

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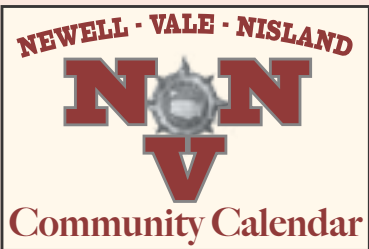
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If you have events for the NVN calendar, please contact Colleen Brunner at colleenbrunner@gmail.com

Apr. 27: National Honor Society Banquet, 6 p.m. at Newell school MPR.

Apr. 28: Golf, Newell Invite, 9:30 a.m.

Apr. 28: Lion's Club pancake supper fundraiser for Haldersons, 5-7 p.m. Silent Auction.

Apr. 29: HSTR-Lemmon, 10 a.m. or HSTR at Sturgis.

May 1: Town Hall informational meeting at Austin Auditorium. 5:30 p.m. with light supper, meeting to follow.

May 2: Feeding SD Distribution, 1 p.m. on Third Street; HSTR-Lead; MSTR-Belle Fourche Quad, 12 p.m.

May 3: Freshman Impact @ Faith, all day.

May 4: Elementary playday; Hall of Fame/ Athletic Banquet, 6 p.m. at middle school gym. Retirement party for Ronda Price, 2-4 p.m. in the school multipurpose room.

May 14: Mothers' Day.

May 20: NHS Graduation, 2 p.m in Austin Auditorium.

May 29: Memorial Day.

June 3: Newell city-wide yard sale.

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### Newell School Menu

**April 26 - May 4**

**WEDNESDAY, APR 26**  
Breakfast: Yogurt Parfait, Cereal, FF, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: BBQ Beef, Tropical Fruit, FF, Milk

**THURSDAY, APR 27**  
Breakfast: Egg/Sausage Croissant, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk  
Lunch: Corn Dogs, Tri Taters, Pears, FF, Milk

**MONDAY, MAY 1**  
Breakfast: Muffins, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk  
Lunch: BBQ Beef Sandwich, Broccoli, Pears, FF, Milk

**TUESDAY, MAY 2**  
Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs & Sausage, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk  
Lunch: Pizza Crunchers, Corn Bread, Pears, FF, Milk

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3**  
Breakfast: Breakfast Wraps, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk  
Lunch: Hamburgers, Tropical Fruit, FF, Milk

**THURSDAY, MAY 4**  
Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Peas & Carrots, Pears, FF, Milk

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## A Leg Up on Learning



Elementary teacher Kyle Sanderson shows double-digit multiplication process to those kids who haven't started that yet in their class. Some of the parents learned something new as well at the first STEM night at Newell school. - Brunner photo

### From C1 Ambulance

physicians and nurses stand by to help.  
The program optimizes connectivity and helps ensure a low drop rate using a dedicated EMS phone number. The router cycles between the major carriers to find the strongest signal.

Since cell towers do not cover the entire state and a call may be dropped, the Avel team is prepared to relaunch the video as soon as possible.  
It is possible to decide to use audio option only. The decision is based on the desires of the patient and EMS.  
More information can be found at <https://doh.sd.gov/>

providers/ruralhealth/EMS/initiatives/.  
The new technology that has been installed in one of the Newell ambulances brings the future now to the care that EMS services provide for the NVN area. The excellent and expert care that EMS services provide makes Newell's EMS crew top-quality.



The iPad that will be used for the telemedicine calls is found behind Jake Sheffield as he explains the use of the concept. - Betty Bruner photo



Jake Sheffield explains the use of the Avel eCare's Telemedicine in Motion concept to the Newell and Belle Fourche EMS members. - Betty Bruner photo



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It was nice and warm Sunday afternoon when Reub and I went to the Gideon meeting at the Coal Springs Church south of Meadow Corner. A lot of Gideons and Gideon Auxiliary members were there and we had some good visits.

It was still warm on Monday, but so windy that we needed jackets on outside. Casey took a tractor to Bowman to get fixed that morning. Amanda went to Buffalo that afternoon to pick up Copper and Paisley Parmely from school. Paige Parmely was still gone to the wedding so Paisley stayed here to play with Copper till Kolby got off work to pick Paisley up to take her home.

We lost on old friend this week. Myron Jerde, age 92 of Reva, passed away on Monday, April 17, at the family ranch in his own house. Myron’s funeral service was held Monday, April 24 at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, SD, with interment at West Nidaros Church Cemetery at Crooks, SD.

The Jerde family has our

sympathy.

Chuck and Michelle Spangler went to Buffalo with Reub and me Tuesday afternoon to check on the Bibles in the Tipperary Motel and Lodge. Sammi Ginsbach met us at the motel to let us in the rooms after she caught her runaway goat! We got a little shower of much needed rain that evening, which sure made us smile.

I celebrated another trip around the sun on Wednesday by helping out a little bit in the lambing shed and taking care of my chickens. Reub’s cousin Lance and Marilyn Olson, Dennis Nash and a bunch of our kids called to wish me happy birthday and Copper and River Lu made some pretty birthday cards for me. I keep getting older, which I guess is a good thing, and it won’t be long before I can start bragging about how old I am!

It sure cooled off on Thursday and the wind blew hard. I caught one of my old hens



eating eggs, so I grabbed her and tried to wring her neck but I wasn’t strong enough to get the job done so I threw her out of the chicken coop and asked Taz if he would shoot her when he gets time. I was hoping the guard dog would eat her but the dog was over guarding the sheep from coyotes east of the place so that didn’t happen.

Caleb and Rebecca (Bingaman) Whitney are the proud parents of a baby girl born on April 21 in Usk, Washington. Little Rhea Rose weighed in at 5 lbs and 11 ozs. Grandma Elaine Bingaman flew out to Washington to meet the new grandchild. Congratulations!

It snowed Thursday night and it was still snowing a little bit when Reub and I left for Hettinger after lunch on Friday. Missy has been having trouble with her dryer and she bought one from Theron and Kim Schalesky and had us pick it up for her at their house while

we were in town. We stopped in Reeder on the way home to have coffee with the Prairie Pioneers and the snow had completely disappeared by the time we got home.

The weather warmed up on Saturday, which was Earth Day. Reub celebrated Earth Day by getting the fields ready to plant and I celebrated by going over to water the sheep at the lambing shed. I can’t think of anything that would help the earth more than taking care of the land and the animals.

Sunday was a beautiful, warm day with the temperature at 53 degrees and no wind. Pastor Henry and Linda Mohagen were up in North Dakota with their family, so Iver Heier led the service at church that morning and we watched a sermon from Abiding Savior Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls on TV. That evening the Coffee House sponsored the Grace Bible Fellowship choir performing their Easter Cantata Concert at the Reva Hall. The singers did a beautiful job and we enjoyed visiting over lunch afterwards.

Next Sunday, April 30th, the

community Hymn Sing will be at the First Presbyterian church in Bison at 7:00. When you come to that you will get to hear some beautiful Christian music from at least 5 different churches. Hope to see you there!

I have to share this poem with you that seems so fitting at my old age:

Old age is golden, or so I’ve heard said,  
But sometimes I wonder, as I crawl into bed,  
With my ears in a drawer, my teeth in a cup,  
My eyes on the table until I wake up.  
But, though nations are warring, and Congress is vexed,  
We’ll still stick around to see what happens next!  
How do I know my youth is all spent?  
My get-up-and-go has got up and went!  
But, in spite of it all, I’m able to grin  
And think of the places my getup has been.  
All the pills I take that hold me together,  
It doesn’t seem to make me feel any better.  
It seems with this old age I can no longer carry my load  
And most of the time I’m just in the road  
But one thing I can do even when I can no longer carry my sword  
is still tell people about my Lord.



Grand River - C. Begeman photo

## Then and Now in Newell

### “Looking Forward to our Past” by Linda Velder

April 17, 1913

While drifting an artesian well at the Smiley Ranch 3 miles west of Fruitdale at 960 feet, a good quantity and quite a flow of gas was struck last week. The is the first time so far as we know that gas has been found in the Belle Fourche Valley and there will be extensive prospecting for a larger flow in the near future.

The D.P. Roberts’ stock sale was very satisfactory. The sale amounted to over \$8000. John Hanes of Nisland received the famous Brooks Holstein cow at \$300, John Raddeck bid of 11 head at \$41.25 each, and Harley Shevling of Nisland purchased the stallion for \$620.

There will be a Civil Service competitive examination held May 12, 1913, in the principal cities of the United States, to secure competent irrigation managers and assistants. The salaries will range in from \$1800 to \$2500 per year. The applicants must have had at least 2 years experience in the management of irrigation work and must be 25 years of age and not over 50 years.

April 19, 1923

The new traveling library which is obtained through the Neighborhood Club has arrived and is at the home of Gust Fredlund. Mrs. Fredlund is to be librarian for the ensuing 6 months. This is for the use of the neighborhood in general. It contains 25 books of fiction; 15 books for young folks & children and 10 volumes of non-fiction.

H.E. Cutts was an arrival Monday from Lincoln, Ne-

braska, where he is employed with the Burlington Railway and went out the next day to Sulphur to look after his land interests in that vicinity. He says the season is very little if any further advanced around Lincoln that here in South Dakota.

The stingy farmer was chastising his hired man for carrying a lighted lantern to call on his gal friend. “The idea, he exclaimed, when I was courting, I never carried no lantern. I went in the dark”. “Yes, exclaimed the hired man, sadly, and look what you got”.

April 20, 1933

Coin collectors and dealers have been greatly perturbed over the President’s recent ruling regarding turning in all gold to the Treasury Department. Collectors and dealers have rare gold coins worth several times their face value and felt that it would be very unfair to force them to turn these rare pieces loose. Although there is no present intention to require the delivery to the US Treasury of gold coins having a recognized special value to collectors of rare and unusual coins or the delivery of souvenir coins.

Ed Williams of Belle Fourche, believed to be the leader of the largest liquor gang in the Black Hills, was arrested in Montana last week after an 80-mile chase. Williams is being held in the Broadus, Montana jail. He was arrested by Roy Dow; John Ure and N.E. Erickson, all Federal Officers. The arrest is expected to break up the largest liquor gang in the area.

The Newell 6th grade class

is studying colonial family life these 6 weeks. The activity periods have been spent in making a log cabin, a fort, furniture, a spinning wheel and rag rugs like those used in the colonial days.

A crowd of young folks gathered last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Hansen for an old-fashioned charivari for Mr. & Mrs. Ben Aho. They took the newlyweds for a ride in a trailer around town and stopped at the hall where the evening was spent dancing and other merry-making until the wee hours of the morning.

April 22, 1943

War-time regulations to govern fishing at Orman Lake this year were announced by Superintendent F.C. Youngblutt of the Reclamation Service. H. Dale Weeks of Belle Fourche has been granted a concession to look after boats on the reservoir this year. Everyone fishing or boating on the reservoir, must observe: Each boat and members of the party with the boat must register with Weeks; Fishing along the shore will be permitted, but there must be no trespassing or boating within 1/4th mile of the dam; No guns or explosives will be permitted on boats or on persons around the reservoir and Weeks will be entitled to collect a nominal fee for taking care of boat registration, so it will not fall to the water-users of the project.

Butte County’s Annual Naturalization Day Ceremonies will be held April 28 with 12 people in line for citizenship papers, was announced by Myrtle Arnold, Clerk of Courts. The event



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(Above) This is a family enjoying a trip to Orman Dam dated 1940. The sign on the building outlines the size of the dam and the 75,000 acres of irrigation it provides. Below is a photo of the Orman Dam park sign.

will take place at 9:00 AM. Taking the test for their final citizenship papers will be: Mrs. Mollie Dahlinger, Mrs. Mary Kuntz,

Gottlieb Sinner, Mrs. Katherine Jordan and Paavo Pietekainen all of Newell; Johannes Keil and Mrs. Dorotea Bankert of Belle Fourche; Mrs. Phillip Zorn and Mrs. Molly Elenberger Nisland and David Stoppel of Fruitdale.

A number of Newell people accompanied the junior choir to Rapid City last Sunday. The choir gave a very enjoyable program over radio station KOBH and our community is justly proud of this group of young people. Following the program the choir members, and their leader Mrs. Glenn VanVactor and some of the parents enjoyed a picnic at Canyon Lake.

April 16, 1953

Rev. H.W. Parsons, Minister at First Congregational Church, attended a Pastoral Counseling Institute in Vermillion, sponsored by the University and the South Dakota Health Association, on Monday though Wednesday of this week.

The Westerners Range Management 4-H Club held their meeting Sunday afternoon at

the VFW Hall in Newell with Levi Robbins, leader in charge. A talk was given by Jr. Getty on seeds, Rommy Van der-Boom gave a demonstration on eggs and Norman Woods gave a humorous reading, entitled “Jimmy Tends The Baby”. After the meeting a light lunch was served. Next meeting will be a pot-luck luncheon on May 17.

The Cove and Shipley’s Service were tied for first place in the Newell Women’s Bowling League this week. The standings: The Cove won 24 – lost 20; Shipley’s Service won 24 – lost 20; Ben Franklin won 23 - lost 21; and Canyon Oil won 17 – lost 27; Series bowled over 400 were: Clarice Anderson 491; Mary Scott 460; Betty Varland 450; Marie Ruff 442; Frances Palmer 432; Edith Falk 423; Ruth Spencer 410 and Inez Papousek came in with a 404.

April 18, 1963

Purchase of the Lauren Davis Sales & Service business and property along US 212 east of



This is a photo of an artisian well dug east of Snoma. They did strike water and the well produced 25 gallons of water per minute. The men in the picture are: Jake, Andrew and Maurice Snyder.



### Puzzles on C8

Answer to Sudoku



9	6	4	5	8	1	2	3	7
3	2	8	9	6	7	1	4	5
5	7	1	2	3	4	6	8	9
4	8	6	7	1	5	3	9	2
2	5	3	6	4	9	7	1	8
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1	4	7	3	5	8	9	2	6
8	9	2	1	7	6	4	5	3
6	3	5	4	9	2	8	7	1

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: A complex system that works is meaningfully found to be no less than a simple system that works. —John Gaule





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This is a Newell Senior Center sponsored event.

#### From C3 Then and Now

Belle Fourche and sale of his farm in the Vale Community to Mr. Davis is announced this week by Preston C. (Buster) Hill of Vale and Newell. Included in the business purchase by Hill were John Deere, Cock-shutt and Marbeet farm machinery agencies and the Studebaker franchise. The modern home and the business buildings and acreage along the highway were included in the purchase which is effective immediately.

Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Beckham had the following guests for Easter Sunday dinner: Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Bracewell and family of Vale; Mrs. Nellie Jenks of Nisland; Dennis Chownen of Vale and Miss Naomi Brink of Sturgis; The Douglas Beckham family was Easter supper guests with Mr. & Mrs. Willard Beckham in

Sturgis that evening.

Three young people from the Vale Empire Friends Church spent from Thursday until Monday on a trip to the Navajo Indian Reservation at Rough Rock Reservation where they visited the Friends Mission Field School Church. Mrs. Rob-in Johnston accompanied the students: Paul Wright, Donna and Myra Williamson, as far as Colorado Springs, Colorado and from there they accompanied David Leach, Rock Mountain Friends Church Youth Director to the Arizona Mission. The young people will report on their trip this Sunday night at 7:30 and all interested person are cordially invited. Rev. Johnston also announced, that the Empire Friends Congregation have purchased a parsonage and 80 acres, the former Jessie Payne place near Vale, A dedication ceremony is planned for April 30.

#### From C1 Superheros

the students to share breakfast with people they see working and volunteering around the community.

Those workers included volunteers from the Lions Club, Community Club, Newell Improvement Corporation, and others. They included emergency service people like ambulance, law enforcement and fire department representatives. They included our county highway workers, National Guard members, ministers of churches, LEO club members, and even city and county commissioners. The kids interspersed themselves among the guests and talked about anything and everything.

Although the meal ran from 7-8 a.m. people were encouraged to stay and visit, as those volunteers and workers were honored as making a positive difference in the community. Harmon said she felt bad about missing the event, but Michelle Stockert, a teacher at the school took on the hostess duties and welcomed everyone and thanked those in attendance for their service to the community.

The WIT Coalition is an

eastern Butte County Prevention Coalition non-profit, with a board of directors and headed by Harmon. They continue working in the community and school to help people make wise choices. You can contact Harmon at 605-381-9136 or email her at Sabrina.harmon@k12.sd.us for more information about the organization and volunteer opportunities. Harmon was also in attendance, as she is at many WIT sponsored events.

"It was a great event," she said. "I love seeing all the kids again." Kristi "Cricket" Palmer, Alcohol and Drug Control Officer for the South Dakota National Guard

Butte County Commissioner Chad Erk contacted Harmon after the event, telling her how impressed he was and how much he enjoyed the breakfast.

Although the kids headed to their classrooms after breakfast and many people had to head off to work, several stayed and visited for several minutes.

"It was a great morning, with more opportunities like this to come," said Harmon.

She is currently in the planning stages of a Town Hall meeting to be held on May 1, starting at 5:30 with a light meal. The event will inform people in the

area about the impact drugs and alcohol are having on the county and how people can be part of the solution. There will be a panel of professionals sharing information, including Butte County Sheriff Fred Lamphere, Joe Guttierrez,

Commander of the Western SD Juvenile Services Center, SD Highway Patrol Trooper Jason Abbitt, Special Agent Dan Rose with the Division of Criminal Investigation, Sherry Hocking, Director of the Newell Butte County Ambulance, and Kara

Graveman with the Action for the Betterment of our Community (ABC Coalition).

"Please plan to attend this important meeting," said Harmon. "We need to know the impact on our community and how we can help."



(Above left) Kristi "Cricket" Palmer, Alcohol and Drug Control Officer for the South Dakota National Guard and Newell Mayor Ken Wetz both enjoyed the Superhero breakfast. Palmer said she loves to visit with the kids. (Above right) In the absence of WIT Director Sabrina Harmon, teacher Michelle Stockert welcomed all and thanked those guests attending for their service to the community. (At left) Don Tishmack of the Newell Fire Department and Ryan Stark and Joel Brunner of the Vale Fire Department were in attendance at breakfast on Wednesday. - Brunner photos

# Townhall Meeting

**MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023**

5:30 pm - A free light supper will be served & time to visit  
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#### Panel will consist of:

Fred Lamphere, Butte County Sheriff,  
Joe Guttierrez, Commander of the Western SD Juvenile Services Center,  
SD Highway Patrol Trooper Jason Abbitt,  
Special Agent Dan Rose with Division of Criminal Investigation,  
Sherry Hocking with the Butte County Ambulance,  
and Kara Graveman with Action for the Betterment of our Community and several others in attendance that will be able to add to the discussion.

Please invite your family, friends, neighbor, etc.  
to this important meeting!

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*This event is hosted by the Whatever it Takes Coalition.  
This is an educational program where you will receive current and up-to-date information.  
If you have any questions, please contact Sabrina Harmon at 605-381-9136.*

## 2023 Newell High School Senior Profiles

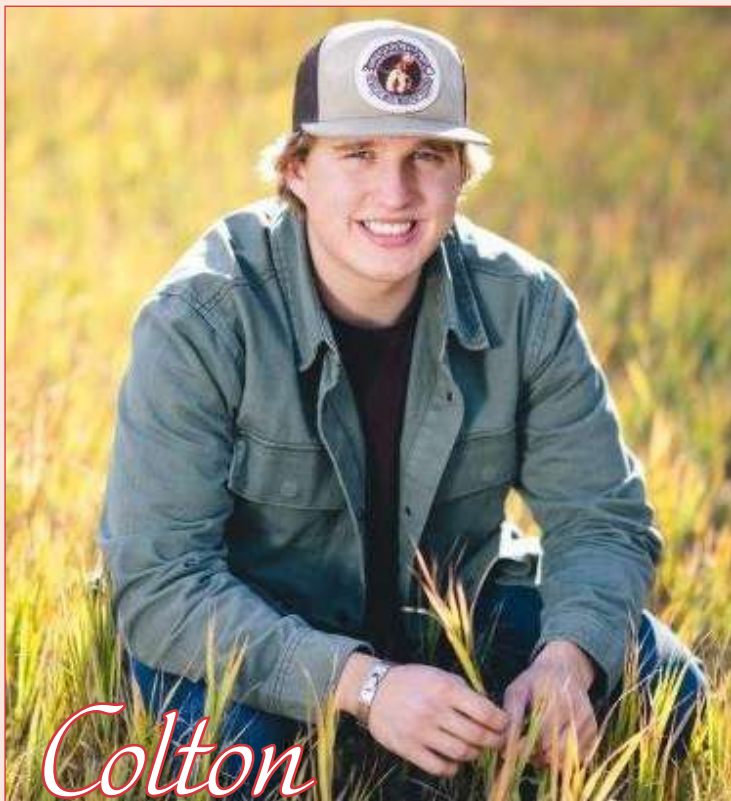
*Editor's Note: The Irrigator continues our series profiling the Class of 2023. This profile by Colleen Brunner.*

NEWELL – Colton Burtz-laff is the youngest child of Miles and Betsy Burtzloff and brother to Payton and Lexa. He has been involved in basketball, football, FFA, 4-H, and National Honor Society as a student at Newell High School.

He loves hanging out with friends and working in his off-school hours. Colton plans to head off to college once he graduates from NHS, just as his older siblings have done. Outside of school activities Burtzloff has been involved in 4-H and FFA, traveling for contests and showing animals at the county fair.

With the advent of a foreign exchange student from Denmark at Newell high school this year, Burtzloff has suddenly found all things Danish interesting and one of his desires, aside from getting his work done first, is to enjoy life after, as well as Danish.

Burtzloff shares that Mr. Decker is his favorite teacher and he loves being his third hour aid. He spends time in



**Burtzloff**

that classroom helping grade papers and learning Danish.

"I just touched a snake," said Alberte Lohmann, the Danish friend Burtzloff has in his life currently. He cites this as a quote he will always remember.

"I want to own a business,"

said Burtzloff of his biggest dream. He did not share what he wanted that business to be.

Burtzloff says his biggest influence in life so far is his sister, who helped him in high school.

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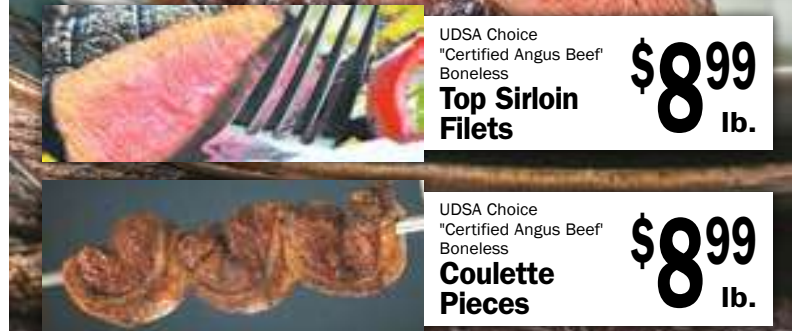
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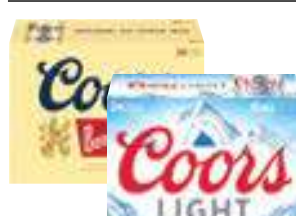
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**Check In: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**  
 Closed the first two weeks of August and Major Holidays

**WALK-IN CLINIC & EMERGENCY DENTAL**

**Ask about our IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM!**

Patients who are eligible for, or have any of the following, *do not qualify* to receive Good Shepherd Clinic's health care services:

- Health Insurance
- Medicare or Medicaid
- Veterans Assistance
- Indian Health Services
- CHIP Program

• Meet income guidelines  
 • No controlled substances on site

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## ENIGMA

CRYPTOGRAM

Enigma cryptograms are created from quotations and proverbs from around the world. Each letter stands for another letter. Hint: "B" = "O"

"H MBATVDZ OCOYDA YIHY SBFUO XO  
 XEJHFXHRVC WBNEI YB IHJD  
 DJBVJDL WFBA H OXATVD OCOYDA  
 YIHY SBFUO." KBIE PINVD

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "The lure of the distant and the difficult is deceptive. The great opportunity is where you are." — John Burroughs

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# Coffee & Rolls

**Every Friday**  
**7:30 -10:00 a.m.**  
**\$2.00**

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## Sudoku

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

							3	7
								5
		1	2	3		6		9
		6		1	5			
2	5	3	6					8
7								
		7			8		2	6
	9				6			
	3							

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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

**ACROSS**

- 1 Surely (Lat.)
- 4 Gallic last part
- 7 Father of Jehoshaphat
- 10 Stamp sheet segment
- 11 Sully
- 12 Culmination
- 14 Work
- 16 Mervyn's captain
- 17 Droop
- 18 Bull bear
- 20 Legation (Lat.)
- 21 Shoshone
- 22 Lullaby (pret.)
- 23 Extent
- 24 Tamil
- 31 Talosy heroine
- 32 Sixth sense
- 34 French water duck
- 35 Acl
- 37 Fr. historical province

**DOWN**

- 1 Old French meal measure
- 2 Angolan (Lat.)
- 3 City name
- 39 Secretary (Lat.)
- 41 Evil
- 42 It. exclamation
- 44 Peninsular
- 45 Ognolal
- 49 French garment
- 51 Abnegate
- 53 Bazar-bled aut.
- 54 Cornale
- 55 Down (pret.)
- 56 Mulberry of India
- 57 South Indian occupation (Lat.)
- 58 Arab

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

ALMS ELIS MAIA  
 GELIMOLITACH  
 POSF BAA LUIF  
 FADFM FOUUM  
 SEHVERHELE  
 CLEEK PARABLE  
 CARFIBALS  
 WHEELVALET  
 TIASUBQUE  
 FODEA PAGAN  
 AGADAILDEAR  
 ARCEDELISHI  
 IFFMOCF ASSN

4 Angolan bishop's garment

5 Central saint

6 Plagence

7 Amer. Automobile Assn. (Lat.)

8 Salmir

9 Lower Lat.

10 Additional postscript (Lat.)

13 Needle

14 Dotted sign

15 Kelone (pret.)

21 Way

22 Important

24 Dul (Sp.)

25 Within (pret.)

26 Dropsy

27 Extremity perception (Lat.)

29 Brand

30 Eng. technical only

33 Mispice

34 French place

35 Roman author

40 WWI battle

42 Television channel

43 FGR's dog

44 Grawl

46 Grawl

47 Fight (pret.)

48 Dm

49 Engraving

50 Admin. labor

51 Adjunct

52 Fiddle: arab. genus

Puzzle Answers on C4

2023

APRIL

**Look What's Cooking at Belle Silver Lining**

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

**SPRING**

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