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101st Black Hills Roundup Full Steam Ahead

Record number of athletes expected to enter as cowboys anxious to get back into competition.

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BELLE FOURCHE- Planning for the community's signature annual event is moving "full steam ahead" according to Roundup Committee Chairman Keith Anderson.

"I think with all things considered we could be in for one of our biggest years ever," Anderson told the committee gathered at the rodeo grounds last Thursday evening.

The 101st Black Hills Roundup is planned for June 30th - July 4th and will include the carnival, golf tournament, rodeo, parade, street dance and two nights of fireworks, among other festivities. The rodeo has only been canceled two years in its more than a century-long history due to World War II and it appears the current COVID-19 outbreak will not stop it this year. In fact the 1918 Roundup was held in the midst of the Spanish Flu pandemic of that same year.

"We'll have signs posted regarding some guidelines and we will do our best to keep things clean," Anderson said. "But if you're standing shoulder to shoulder in the grandstands, that's your choice. If somebody doesn't feel comfortable and can't find a place to sit, they can go get their money back."

Anderson says they want to be able to make spectators feel comfortable while also recognizing that people need to use their best judgment. "I think people around here have enough common sense to know what it's like here. But if someone watches half the rodeo and suddenly wants their money back it's probably not going to happen."

To be on the safe side the committee called upon Carrie Donovan, Supervisor for Safety and Quality Services at Monument Health to provide a framework for a few precautions that will be put in place. Donovan, a Belle Fourche native, has been involved in infections preparedness for more than 15 years and has been running the COVID response protocols for Monument's hospital in Spearfish.

"My goal is to simply provide information to the committee so they can have more confidence in the decisions they make," Donovan said.

Donovan says that one of



Roundup Committee Gets Guidance - Carrie Donovan (standing), Supervisor for Safety and Quality Services of Monument Health addressed the Black Hills Roundup Committee meeting last Thursday evening at the rodeo grounds as she outlines protocol for keeping contestants, volunteers and athletes safer during the July 4th event. Donovan, who is from Belle Fourche, is an infection control specialist with Monument Health and says there is no reason not to expect a safe event with a few guidelines that will be put in place. - *Beacon Photo*

the big advantages to the event is that it is an outdoor event. "Sunlight and fresh air are two of the best things you can do (to ward off the virus)," she said. "Sunlight kills it very quickly and circulated fresh air keeps people safer."

State health officials do not know what the situation will be like in July but data seems to suggest that things will be improved. "We could be past the worst of it by then, we don't know," Donovan said. "But overall it's probably best to try and keep some distance between people depending on how things are in July and it's always best to provide high-touch disinfecting."

With the lack of rodeos since March and only a few planning to go forward between now and July the Roundup is already seeing a very high level of interest among athletes who wish to enter. The July 4th weekend is known as "Cowboy Christmas" due to the abundance of rodeos held over the holiday. But this year many have been postponed or canceled.

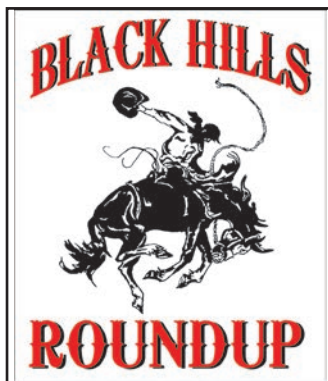
"We think we'll have close to 1,000 contestants entered," Anderson said. "It will be a real trailer race this year with more top-name cowboys able to compete in fewer rodeos. We expect

an all-star lineup."

The Roundup will see a wide-range of cowboys coming in from states as far away as Florida and California as well as Canada and Australia. Donovan doesn't see that as an infection control issue since the athletes stay in their own trailers and many don't even spend the night as they travel between rodeos that week-end.

Contestants will be entering and paying fees online this year and the stock draws will be posted outside the secretary's building, further limiting contact. "About the only thing they'll do is see the secretary for their back numbers and that's about it," said Anderson. He says they don't plan to take temperatures or do a health screening but the Roundup does expect contestants to comply with PRCA health guidelines in self-identifying symptoms.

Belle Fourche Mayor Gloria Landphere attended the committee meeting and gave a brief outline of what the city plans to do as offices and locations reopen. She expressed confidence in the committee's ability to manage the crowds and keep people safe. "We're putting together everything we can to make employees safe and also the public, because if the



employees are safe the public is going to be safe. So that is the mindset we are taking with this."

The city plans to mist the grandstands with disinfectant between performances, which is also a guideline put forward by the PRCA. Additional measures may include limiting the number of fans in the merchandise building at any one time, installing hand sanitizing stations, painting physical distancing lines on the pavement, and creating lower-touch procedures in the concession areas and the VIP tent.

The committee is also encouraging online ticket sales this year, although tickets can still be purchased at the rodeo grounds gate.

"I think you guys are gonna have a really great event," Donovan said. "Everybody's looking for something to do and everybody loves this rodeo anyway. So it should be a lot of fun."

As more businesses and public spaces open up it is expected that there would be some increase in the number of COVID cases in the area, even though Butte County has been virus free up until now. Donovan said that she and her staff at Monument Health keep a close daily eye on the infection data in the region and offered to provide any needed guidance to the committee as the event draws closer.

"Keep in mind that even with your best planning and

your best work, don't feel like you've failed if there are cases in the county after you hold an event," Donovan said. "You cannot completely stop a virus. You can do all kinds of great things and it still won't completely stop it, that's the natural progression of a disease."

"What we're really watching right now is hospitalization rates. What we need to be concerned with is if people do get seriously ill, they can get the care they need. Eighty percent of the people who get it, don't even get all that sick, and certain populations get it worse than others so we're watching those populations," Donovan said. "I'm excited that you guys are going forward. We're here to help you with information in your decisions going forward."

Northstar Amusements is proceeding with the carnival. They do plan to leave a few rides out this year to provide more space for patrons. Additionally they will disinfect surfaces of the rides in between loading.

Fireworks committee director Fritz Carlson says the pyrotechnics for the two-nights of fireworks shows have been delivered to the states and will be delivered to the Black Hills area soon. Most of the shells are shipped from suppliers in China and Carlson says that even with the coronavirus they still managed to secure product. The fireworks displays could prove even more popular than usual this year with the postponement of the fireworks in Lead.

School District Presents 2021 Budget to the School Board

The Belle Fourche School District is taking the wraps off its proposed 2020-2021 school year budget. The budget was presented to the school board at its May 11th regular meeting by District Business Manager Susan Proefrock.

A public hearing has been set for Monday, July 13th for the public to provide input or ask questions. The hearing will take place at 5:15pm at the District's Administrative Offices at 2305 13th Avenue in Belle Fourche.

Budget figures were prepared based on an increase in enrollment of 30 students. Last year's figures were based on a total enrollment of 1,365 students while the proposed budget for next fiscal year is based on a student enrollment of 1,395.

For FYE 2021 the district has set a budget of a little more than \$10 million, a 2.7 percent increase over last year's budget total of \$9.7 million.

The district expects a \$279,000 increase in total means of finance to balance the increase in costs. The majority of that is expected to come from a \$65,000 increase in tuition from Local Education Agencies (LEA's) outside the state and

an increase of \$201,000 in state aid. There is also a doubling of transfer in capital outlay from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

On the expense side the district generally held the line on salaries and teacher pay. Instructional expenses were projected to increase by just \$39,000 of a total \$5.6 million budget. Increases were noted in certified staff on the high school level, instructional workbooks on the elementary level and increases in health insurance on the middle school level. These were offset by a \$15,000 decrease in projected health insurance for the high school program, elimination of \$3,000 in funding for electronic textbooks in the high school, a cut of \$3,800 for elementary supplies and an elimination of \$40,000 in funding for new curriculum on the elementary K-4 level.

Support services which includes administration, counseling, social work, library, technology, activities, fiscal services, food service, school buses, and maintenance is projected for an increase of \$116,565 on a \$3.7 million budget. Increases can be attributed

to operation and maintenance of plant services expenditures (up \$77,700), as well as property and health insurance, although library services health insurance costs dropped by \$4,800.

There is also a planned increase in the contingency fund of \$55,000 over last year.

School Superintendent Dr. Steve Willard noted that the state of South Dakota was down \$18 million in sales tax, lottery and other revenue for April, even as Belle Fourche saw a 78% increase in sales tax revenue locally. The statewide decline is directly related to the economic slowdown from the coronavirus restrictions. Overall Willard reported that state revenues year to date were only down \$5.56 million with two months to go until the end of the fiscal year.

The figures would impact the Belle Fourche Schools if the promised 2% increase (by law) in education funding from the state is jeopardized by the slowdown in revenues. The state will be receiving funding from the CARES Act, the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER)

Fund, and the \$7.9 million allocated to South Dakota through the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) fund.

Initially it was thought that Governor Kristi Noem would call a special session of the legislature in June to deal with any potential state funding issues as the result of the COVID shutdown. That could have included

the possibility of once again not funding the state mandated 2% increase in education, as the state did last year. But thus far no plans have been announced.

"She must have a good plan because there's no session in June," Willard said. "That means July 1 the 2% increase becomes law."

VFW to Host Memorial Day Ceremony

The VFW Post 3312 will host the Memorial Day Ceremony this year at the Pine Slope Cemetery at 9:00 on Monday, 25 May 2020. In the event of inclement weather this year, the Ceremony will be cancelled rather than moved indoors.

This Program will be an abbreviated event and social distancing will be requested of the attendees. VFW Quartermaster Wm. Blaine Anderson will conduct the ceremony which will include Belle Fourche Mayor Ms. Gloria Lamphere; the Center of the Nation Brass performing the National Anthem, Salute to the Services and Taps; and the 842nd

Engineer Company Honor Guard offering the Salute.

Since 1971, Memorial Day has been observed nationally on the last Monday in May. Memorial Day, as we know it now, has different names throughout time and plants its roots during the Civil War when citizens placed flowers on the graves of those who had lost their lives on the battlefield.

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Obituaries

Arlyce Sloan 86



Arlyce Fern (Richmond) Sloan, age 86 of Belle Fourche, died Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at the Rolling Hills Healthcare Center in Belle Fourche. She was born May 14, 1933 in Cottonwood, South Dakota to Andrew Allen Richmond & Pearl Anna Ferne (Shores) Richmond. Music was an important part of their home life as both of her parents & all of her brothers were musical. In the 1920's her parents played for community dances in the winter & sometimes they even loaded her Mom's piano on a sled pulled by horses & brought it to the dances. Arlyce's mother died when she was 6 years old so she learned to prepare family meals at a young age. A neighbor lady brought her to Sunday school regularly during her formative years which began her desire to walk with the Lord. She attended grade school in Cottonwood and High School in Quinn, SD. She graduated as the valedictorian of the class of 1951 and then worked part time at the Post Office in Cottonwood. She got an associate's degree at Black Hills State College and taught in a one room school house for 2 years in Cottonwood.

Arlyce met her husband Charles George Sloan on a blind date and they were married less than a year later on June 17, 1955 in Spearfish, SD, but lived in Belle Fourche the rest of their lives and enjoyed almost 56 wonderful years together. Arlyce was very active in her community & church. She was a member of the United Methodist Church for over 60 years where she served as a Sunday school teacher & served on various boards & also was a member of the choir. She loved her family very much & always made sure all 5 of her kids went to Sunday school & church. She also became a den leader in cub scouts to spend more time with her sons. She had a lifelong love for reading and she regularly read to her kids & took them frequently

to the local library, where she became one of their best customers in her later years. Arlyce was an Avon Sales Representative for 45 years and truly enjoyed serving her longtime customers & also meeting new ones. She received numerous sales awards over the years. She was a very outgoing person that loved people and she had a great sense of humor & never could resist a pun. She believed that You don't stop laughing because you grow old, you grow old because you stop laughing. Her brother Ivan stated that attitude & gratitude are very important and Arlyce had the best of both. The advice Arlyce gave to many was to try to think of something positive every day and show love to others and also remember that hate destroys the hater. Every day, every minute, every breath truly is a gift from God.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to either Belle Fourche United Methodist Church or Belle Fourche Public Library are preferred.

Arlyce is survived by her daughters, Pamela (Herbert) Pirkey of Edgewood NM, Ferne (Harvey) Tellinghuisen of Lakeside CA, Charlotte (Duane) Engelstad of Fairfield ID; sons, Charles (Nancy) of Piedmont, Daniel (Rose) of Beaverton OR; 7 grandchildren: C.J. (Jenna), Clay (Cassie), Ben (Leah), Dane (JoHannah), Bethany (Nathan), Kari (Tyler), Daniel (Jasmine); 10 great grandchildren, Eli, Abigail, Esther, Ezra, Levi, Isaac, Erik, Soren, Ivy, Aislynn; and younger brother, Ivan (Ruth) Richmond of Summerfield, Florida.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and 4 brothers, Logan, Leroy, Eugene, and Wesley.

Interment will take place in Black Hills National Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.
Philippians 1:21 (NIV)

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But let us who live in the light be clearheaded, protected by the armor of faith and love, and wearing as our helmet the confidence of our salvation. For God chose to save us through our Lord Jesus Christ, not to pour out his anger on us. Christ died for us so that, whether we are dead or alive when he returns, we can live with him forever. So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing.
1 Thessalonians 5: 9-10 (NLT)

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For those who follow godly paths will rest in peace when they die.
Isaiah 57:2 (NLT)

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The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.
Zephaniah 3:17 (NKJV)

Tracy Sass 46

Tracy Sass, age 46 of Spearfish, died Monday, May 11, 2020 at Monument Health in Rapid City. No services will be held.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche.

Tracy Ann Sass was born May 1, 1974 in Dearborn MI. She was the daughter of Richard

and Margaret (Wical) Sass. Tracy graduated from Belle Fourche High School in 1993. For the past several years, she has lived in Spearfish.

Tracy is survived by her mother, Margaret (Roy) Peterson of St. Onge; father, Richard (Marilyn) Sass of Kennewick WA; and her brother, Travis Sass of Big Piney WY.

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Grace Brown 99

Grace Brown, age 99 of Belle Fourche, died Monday, May 11, 2020 at the Monument Health Spearfish Hospital.

A funeral service will be held 10:30am Friday, May 15, 2020 at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. Interment will take place at Pine Slope Cemetery. There will be no visitation. The funeral service will be available for viewing on the obituary located on the funeral home's website at: funeralhomeofthenorthernhills.com

Grace Green was born October 27, 1920 in Harlan, Iowa. She was the daughter of Frank and Millie (Ross) Green. Grace grew up on a family farm near Harlan Iowa, and she graduated from the Harlan High School in 1939. Afterwards, she received her teacher's certificate and taught at country schools for five years. During the end of World War II, Grace served as a telegraph operator for the railroad. On February 3, 1946 Grace was united in marriage to Gene Brown in Fort Dodge, Iowa. To this union two children were born: Randy and Trudy. In 1960, Grace and Gene

moved to Rapid City, before settling in Belle Fourche in 1962. Gene died in 2001.



Grace was a self-reliant woman who was also very loving and caring, and a devoted mother. For many years she took care of her ailing son until his death in 2013. Grace enjoyed flower and vegetable gardening and crocheting as well. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother, and she will be missed greatly.

Grace is survived by her daughter, Trudy (Robert) Hoard of Belle Fourche, 2 grandchildren, Michael (Robyn) Hoard and Sharon (Sergio) Arellano; 7 great grandchildren, Brianna Radko, Anthony Arellano, Julianna Sitkowski, Tyler, Dylan, Riley, and Emily Hoard.; as well as 4 great great grandchildren, Connor, Leila Grace, Hudson, and Everly.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gene; son, Randy; and 4 brothers, Lake, Gaylord, Harold, and Levi Green.

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Melvin Moses Tingley III 45

Melvin Moses Tingley III, 45, of Belle Fourche died Sunday, May 10, 2020 at Monument Health in Rapid City, SD.

Moses was born January 3, 1975 in Dallas, Texas to Rose and Kenneth Tingley. He graduated high school at Campbell County Alternative School in Gillette, WY.

Moses married Genaveva Rodriguez January 3, 2002. They later divorced June 26, 2019 and remained good friends. Moses enjoyed cooking and did so at the Belle Inn for many years. He took a brief break from restaurant cooking and started working at Tire and Lube in Spearfish, but soon returned to cooking at the Belle Inn until recently closing.

His family and friends were always important to him. He always put himself second to make sure everyone else was taken care of. Moses enjoyed many things. In the summer he enjoyed fishing and riding his motorcycle. He was generous and went out of his way to help family and friends. He loved his kids and family. You could always count on him being there for every holiday. His kids and nieces and nephews loved movie nights with him. In his spare time, he could be found playing video games or playing guitar. He enjoyed tossing the football with the boys and the occasional street ball. He supported his kids with their sports, everything from track to football to cheerleading. Moses was a die-hard Dallas Cowboys fan. He



had many friends, everyone that knew him loved him.

Grateful for sharing his life are his children, Justin (Annabelle) Rodriguez, Allisa Hayduk (Terry Samples), Angel Tingley (Ceylee Meyers) and Kiana Tingley; grandson, Sebastian; his mother, Rose Grusing and step-dad, Michael (Brenda) Grusing; brothers, Kenneth (Katie) Tingley Jr. and Jobriah Tingley; sisters, Bobbie (Joshua) Ljunggren, Mikayla (Shawn) Trainor, Lindsey Grusing, Keeley Grusing (Lars Dunavant) and Krista Ulrich (Brian Percy) and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; his father, Kenneth Tingley Sr. and a brother, Dwayne Ozuna.

A Ceremonial Tribute for immediate family only will be held Tuesday, May 19 at Kline Funeral Chapel in Belle Fourche.


Kline Funeral Chapel will live stream the funeral and publish it to our live streaming site following the funeral for the public to view at your convenience.

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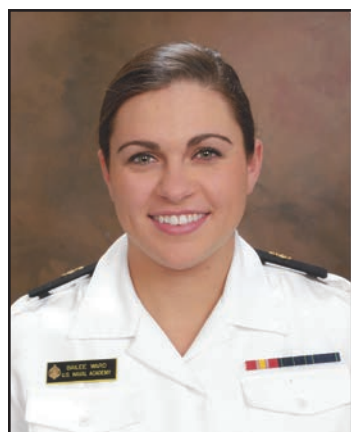
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Bailee J. Ward Commissioning Into United States Marine Corps



For the past four years Bailee J. Ward has been studying at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. This was the journey she has been on since graduating from Belle Fourche High School in 2015. She attributes the foundation she received from the school district and the support of the community that pushed her to strive beyond what one might expect to accomplish. In the past four years she traveled to three foreign countries while aboard the USS John S. McCain out of Yokosuka, Japan; spent a month training with Naval forces in San Diego, California; got on the sticks of a Navy MH-60S helicopter with the Sea Knights in Norfolk, Virginia; and learned the ways of the Marine Corps as a full time student in Quantico, VA. In her last semester at the Academy she took on the role of Company Commander as a Midshipman in charge of 147 other

midshipmen. Her declared major was Aerospace Engineering with a focus on Astro Science. In her senior project Bailee worked directly with NASA to design, develop, and build an interior, autonomous robotic arm that will be installed on the International Space Station in 2021. Bailee is commissioning as a 2nd Lieutenant into the Marine Corps on Friday May 22. She will start Basic School for Marine Corp Officers in August of this year. Upon completion of the six month school where she will learn the basics of being a rifle platoon leader she will attend flight school to begin training as a pilot. Bailee attributes the amazing experiences, tremendous opportunities, and a future where literally, "the sky is the limit" with a thankful heart to her community, family and friends. She said, "My time has truly made me appreciate growing up in a community that teaches the value of hard work, integrity, and how to properly layer in the cold!!" In conclusion she added, "Thank you, again. God Bless and Semper Paratus!" Bailee is the daughter of Jack and Lisa Ward and granddaughter of Bobbe Ward all of Belle Fourche. Her sister McKenna is a 2020 Belle Fourche graduate. The live streaming of the Naval Academy commissioning will be at 12:30 Mountain time on Friday, May 22.



We are excited and beyond blessed to announce the graduation of Bailee J. Ward from the United States Naval Academy on Friday, 22 May 2020. Upon graduation, Bailee will receive an officer's commission in the United States Marine Corps. She has selected the option of an air contract and will go on to be a USMC pilot. We thank you for all the support you have given Bailee, and pray for the adventures to come!



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Retired Local Judge is SD Board of Regents President

When Governor Daugaard appointed retired Judge and lawyer John Bastian to the South Dakota Board of Regents in 2014 no one with the best of crystal balls could have foreseen that today, Belle resident, John Bastian, as current President of the Board would be leading the South Dakota Board of Regents' mission to govern the six public universities and the two special schools for the blind and visually impaired and the deaf from a desk at home during a worldwide pandemic.

In addition the Regents are currently operating without the services of an executive director. We asked John about his leadership role during these trying times. He commented, "The Board is fortunate to have a superb staff in Pierre who are experts in the fields of academics, finance and administration, human resources, communication and the legal issues that relate to post-secondary education."

"We also have excellent university presidents and special schools superintendent who work collaboratively with the Board, the Board staff and each other to navigate this crisis."

When asked the status of classes this coming fall the Regent replied, "The Board and the universities are committed to having students on campus and in classrooms this fall but some aspects of a campus experience may look different going forward."

Pandemic planning will be ever present until the crisis is behind us. We are guided by safety, science, the CDC guidelines and the institutions' educational mission. We also recognize an equal responsibility to protect community health and safety."

It was recently announced that John would provide a "virtual" presentation at BHSU commencement. "A member of the Board of Regents is present at every graduation of the universities and the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired to greet the graduates and offer congratulations on behalf of the Board. (The School for the Deaf mainly has outreach programs and doesn't have a commencement ceremony.)"

"I was the Regent representative at BHSU last December. They used that appearance this year at the virtual graduation."

The Regents are advertising state-wide and nationally to fill the Executive Director's position and expect to have the new executive director hired and onboard sometime in early summer.

Filling that position and a return to a "more normal" world may allow Belle's local Regent a little more time away from his desk and hopefully the ability to breath in a bit more retirement.



John Bastian

The Aberdeen native holds a bachelor's degree in political science from South Dakota State University and a J.D. degree from Hamline University School of Law.

He was a circuit court judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit for 20 years and retired in 2013. Prior to that service, he spent 10 years in the attorney general's office as an appellate attorney and prosecutor.

Bastian is also a veteran of the United States Air Force. He serves part-time with the South Dakota Unified Judicial System and is assigned to preside over cases in the Fourth, Sixth and Seventh Judicial Circuits. Appointed by Governor Daugaard in 2014 to complete the term of the late Randy Morris, his second term will expire in 2022.

John's wife Jana teaches in the Belle Fourche High School and they have two daughters, Ellie, a defense attorney in Bozeman and Hannah, an art educator at the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art at the University of Oregon in Eugene.

John Heck Scholarship Established at BHSU

SPEARFISH, S.D. – Former Yellow Jacket basketball player John Heck, part owner of the Stadium Sports Grill in Spearfish has established a scholarship at Black Hills State University. The John Heck Athletic Scholarship will be awarded for the first time this fall to a member of the BHSU Men's Basketball Team.

Steve Meeker, Vice President for University Advancement at BHSU, said Heck is a great BHSU alum and fan who has served on the Yellow Jacket Foundation for many years, supporting scholar-athletes by funding athletic scholarships and improving athletic facilities.



John Heck, BHSU alum and co-owner of the Stadium Sports Grill.

"John has been a very good supporter of BHSU for many years. He not only supports the basketball program, but has supported all of the athletic

programs and fine art programs. We're very appreciative of his support," says Meeker.

Heck graduated from BHSU in 1968 with a double major in art and industrial art education.

"I enjoyed my years at Black Hills State," says Heck, who is a mainstay at the women's and men's basketball home games.

Following his graduation from BHSU, Heck taught at schools in Selby and Herreid, S.D. Heck, a talented guitar player and singer, played professionally on and off throughout the years. In 1975, he and his wife, Loretta Jo, Class of 1978, formed the Heck Trio and began playing regionally until 1984. Another BHSU alum, Bill



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Robinson, was also part of the Trio.

During this time Heck's day job was in residential and commercial painting. He worked for Black Hills Painting Inc. before eventually buying the business. Heck and his business partner Clair Donovan, who also attended BHSU, founded the Stadium Sports Grill, a Spearfish mainstay, in 1993.

"When we opened the Stadium, I tried to do both the bar and the painting business for about six months before selling the business that wasn't as much fun," jokes Heck.

The John Heck Athletic Scholarship will be awarded annually to a full-time student actively participating in basketball at BHSU.



Madison Kiernan, 15, and a freshman art student at Belle Fourche High School did this mural for the local essential workers as a thank you for their hard work and dedication. Madison is in Mrs. Bastian's High School Art Class -Courtesy Photo




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Construction Industry Unfazed by Covid-19

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While Covid-19 has virtually shut down the entire country, the construction industry has somehow been shielded from the effects of distance socializing and sheltering in place.

According to data from the city Engineer's office, there has been an increase of \$4 million in building permits in 2020 as compared to 2019. So far this year, at least from January to April, there has been \$6.1 million in building permits. Of that, city projects account for \$2.1 million, new home construction is \$1.2 million, and business construction is \$1.8 million.

For city building inspector Chase Williamson, things aren't too difficult, despite what the city is doing to protect staff and the public.

"This has been one of the busiest stretches of my tenure here. That's been with us reducing entry of houses. For instance, there's a guy redoing a basement. We try not to do this too much, but we started taking pictures instead of going into the house," he said.

For new construction, there's usually no more than three or so workers, so inspections are easier to do that way. Social distancing is not so much a

factor under those circumstances. Williamson has also asked around to other contractors and suppliers like the Roundup Building Supply and it's pretty much the same as other times.

Additionally, material costs have remained level, with no spikes in lumber, sheetrock and other building materials. But Williamson stressed that could change, much the same as a lot of other things have.

If there is an older homeowner doing some work, he tries to stay away and get the inspections done in other ways for the safety of himself and the homeowner.

One aspect of the construction industry is subcontractors, which means no more than two or three electricians, plumbers and the like would be on site, making social distancing easier. While the permitting process has changed somewhat, Williamson stated the construction industry is itself kind of Covid-proof.

Clark Towery of Triple T Construction has seen a real slowdown in work so far this year and attributes that to the Covid-19.

"People are scared to get around other people, and it's been slow," he said.

He normally has two employ-

ees, and does all types of general construction, but has been helping his nephew who owns RTD Construction working on Foothills Church in Sturgis.

He recalled getting quite a few calls in 2019, but those have since dropped off to nothing in 2020. The round of funds from the Payroll Protection Program helped his company out, but he's not sure how things will turn out if more help doesn't come if the lockdown doesn't end soon.

The lumber companies haven't seen a slowdown, and contractors have a steady supply of lumber and other materials.

"Things have been pretty similar to last year. And prices for the materials have remained the same," said Scott Biegert of Dakota Lumber.

Unlike items like toilet paper flying off the shelves, there's been no run on those materials. And the company has been able to keep a full staff on hand to handle the customer's needs. And social distancing and hand sanitizing have been easy in a place like Dakota Lumber.

For those in the industry, there is no option of waiting to see how the Covid-19 will turn out. Keeping safe while getting the job done is a priority, though.

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These verses from the Book of Psalms are frequently used in the church's liturgy. Why? Because these verses remind us that God is with us even when things are difficult; maybe, especially when things are difficult. And yes, that does make it better.

This Psalm in its very structure invites us to catch a glimpse of what it means to be apart of the family of God. The first three verses (those quoted above) describe an upheaval, chaos which threatens to undo us. It describes a partial undoing of the very act of creation in Genesis where the mountains were divided from the seas, and the calming of the waters.

The second paragraph, verses 4-7, show us that God is "in the midst of the city" and "The LORD of hosts is with us." This presence of God in the midst of the uproar which threatens nations brings

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Pastor Chuck Aurd Belle Fourche UCC & St. Onge UCC

stability. God speaks and the earth melts—acquiesces—subdues itself to our God. The final paragraph shows us what is possible with God: war ceases—war between nations, and war between nature and humans. "Be still and know that I am God!" (verse 10) In this time of continued anxiety over the pandemic it is easy to imagine that nature is indeed at war with us, and that God is somehow absent in the time of our greatest need. Yet, "Be still" calls us to calm our despair—if only for a moment—to rest in the divine presence. Yes. Yes, indeed, God is here in the midst of the city (vs. 5) and God is with God's people (vs. 7). Take heart. The morning will dawn again, and God is here to help (vs. 5b).

Many times in the past, civilization has been threatened. Many times in the past, people have had to make a choice between undoing creation by giving into chaos and panic, and participating in the ongoing creative process of healing—of making things better. I love this psalm, because it affirms what I know to be true: God is at work healing the world with us even now...in our midst.

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The 101st Black Hills Roundup is, as the headline says, "Full Steam Ahead". In the history of the 100 Roundups since inception in 1918 it has only been interrupted two years (1942-43) during WWII. It has been flirting with starting the second 100 years with another interruption before this past week's announcement.

We have commented in this space prior that we are "cheerleaders" for all local businesses regardless to which, or how many organizations They wish to participate in.

When the new Chamber candidate is sought, it is the Beacon's hope that it is an individual who can work to continue coordination and communication to all involved to forward the best interest of all local business.

We usually are not among the souls that stay up late enough to watch Saturday Night Live, but this past week was an exception. The show was hosted by Tom Hanks. He commented that there aren't a lot of "funny things" happening these days, but heck this is a comedy show, so let's be



funny. That fits just about everything these days: whatever you are or can be, let's get on with it (as best we can under the circumstances and guidelines).

It is an election year and we have a primary coming up on June 2.

With the state of the world every citizen should vote. As much as these are uncertain times the course of action of government going forward is daily becoming more vital.

These are probably things that could come out of politicians mouths, but never in an election year: My intuition nearly makes up for my lack of good judgment.

I assume full responsibility for my actions, except the ones that are someone else's fault.

I am my personality flaws, for without them I would have no personality at all.

I am grateful that I am not as judgmental as all those censorious, self-righteous people around me.

I need not suffer in silence

By: Doug Cole

while I can still moan, whimper and complain.

A good scapegoat is nearly as welcome as a solution to the problem.

The complete lack of evidence is the surest sign that the conspiracy is working.

I am willing to make the mistakes if someone else is willing to learn from them.

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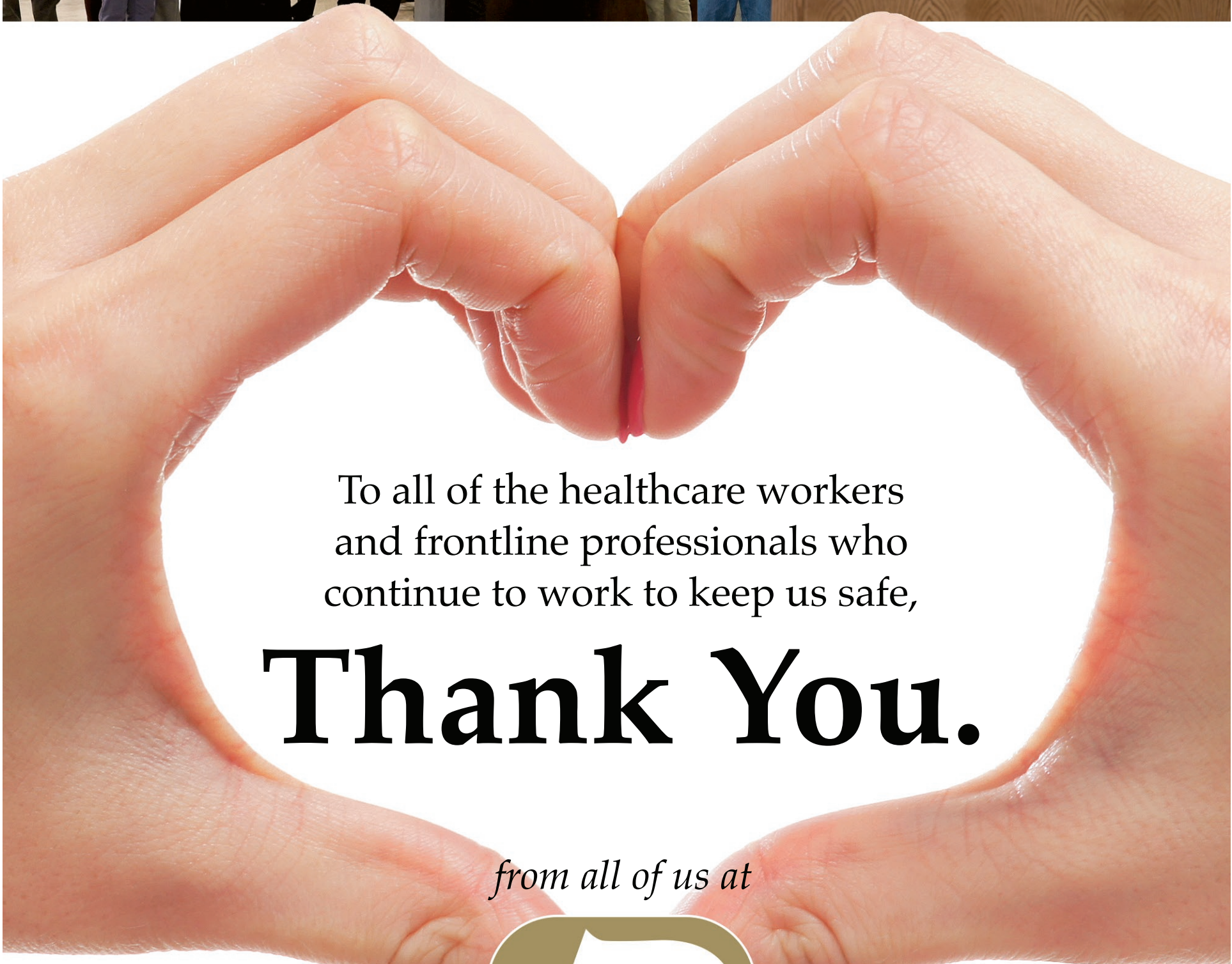
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Just Over 1500 Head Today
Weigh Ups Sold \$1 to \$4 Higher
Pairs Were In High Demand

Next Sale - May 22nd - Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special
Along With Opitz Production Bull Sale & Turn Out Bull Sale
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Pairs - Sold By The Pair

969 Ranch, Broadus MT.....	10.....	Blk Hfr.....	2556	\$1,900.00
969 Ranch, Broadus MT.....	40.....	Blk Hfr.....	657...	\$2,000.00
Clarys, Richard, Olive MT.....	38.....	Bld Broken.....	1361	\$1,275.00
Clarys, Richard, Olive MT.....	38.....	Blk Mixed Age.....	1419	\$1,285.00
Flying E Ranch, Greybull WY.....	15.....	Bld S-Ss.....	1514	\$1,400.00
Flying E Ranch, Greybull WY.....	10.....	Bld Broken.....	1467	\$1,400.00
Flying E Ranch, Greybull WY.....	27.....	Bld Broken.....	1467	\$1,385.00
Flying E Ranch, Greybull WY.....	4.....	Bld 4-5 Yr Olds.....	1442	\$1,625.00
Flying E Ranch, Greybull WY.....	9.....	Herf Mixed Age.....	1472	\$1,300.00
Sweeney, Dan, Moorecroft WY.....	22.....	Bld Hfr.....	1089	\$1,900.00
Sweeney, Dan, Moorecroft WY.....	16.....	Blk 4-5 Yr Olds.....	1503	\$1,850.00
Sweeney, Dan, Moorecroft WY.....	1.....	Blk 4-5 Yr Olds.....	1495	\$1,850.00

Bred Cows - Sold By The Head

Doolittle Wagner Ranch LLC, Belle Fourche SD.....	14.....	Bld S-Ss.....	1366	\$1,175.00
Doolittle Wagner Ranch LLC, Belle Fourche SD.....	6.....	Blk 4-5 Yr Olds.....	1265	\$1,400.00
Hafner, Terry, Ludlow SD.....	2.....	Blk Hfr.....	1090	\$1,200.00
Y Cross Ranch LLC, Hulet WY.....	4.....	Blk 4-5 Yr Olds.....	1128	\$1,085.00
Y Cross Ranch LLC, Hulet WY.....	12.....	Blk 3 Years.....	812...	\$1,175.00

Weigh-Up Cows

1200 Ranch LLC, Ashland MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1175.....	\$66.00
1200 Ranch LLC, Ashland MT.....	2.....	Blk Cowette.....	1140.....	\$79.00
1200 Ranch LLC, Ashland MT.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1045.....	\$81.00
34 Ranch, Rapid City SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1542.....	\$65.50
34 Ranch, Rapid City SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1390.....	\$65.00
Allison, Timothy Or Carrie, Rozet WY.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	905.....	\$94.00
Allison, Timothy Or Carrie, Rozet WY.....	1.....	Herf Cow.....	980.....	\$72.00
Andrews, Tom, Biddle MT.....	4.....	Blk Hfr.....	870.....	\$102.00
Ballek Land & Livestock, Clearmont WY.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1455.....	\$66.50
Bauer, Casey, Union Center SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1335.....	\$65.00
Bauer, Casey, Union Center SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1265.....	\$60.50
Bridle Bit Ranch, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1600.....	\$63.00
Bridle Bit Ranch, Gillette WY.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1402.....	\$65.50
Bridle Bit Ranch, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1225.....	\$61.00
Bridle Bit Ranch, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1115.....	\$72.00
Bridle Bit Ranch, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1000.....	\$82.00
Brown, Steve Or Kathy, Sturgis SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1110.....	\$79.00
Bull Ranch, Ashland MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1230.....	\$66.50
Bull Ranch, Ashland MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1110.....	\$69.00
Burghdurf, Gerald & Rebecca, Camp Crook SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1477.....	\$65.50
Burghdurf, Gerald & Rebecca, Camp Crook SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1430.....	\$67.00
Burghdurf, Gerald & Rebecca, Camp Crook SD.....	2.....	B/Ch Cow.....	1572.....	\$61.00
Burghdurf, Gerald & Rebecca, Camp Crook SD.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1370.....	\$61.00
Burghdurf, Gerald & Rebecca, Camp Crook SD.....	3.....	R/Ch Cow.....	1465.....	\$60.50
Daly Livestock, Gillette WY.....	2.....	Red Hfr.....	1000.....	\$80.00
Dirks, Michael T & Karen E, Hulet WY.....	1.....	Herf Cow.....	1370.....	\$57.00
Dirks, William Jr & Or Julia, Hulet WY.....	1.....	Herf Cow.....	1335.....	\$63.00
Draine, Larry, Boyes MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1445.....	\$63.00
Draine, Larry, Boyes MT.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1317.....	\$63.50
Draine, Larry, Boyes MT.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1242.....	\$66.50
EB Ranch, Broadus MT.....	5.....	Bld Cow.....	1189.....	\$67.00
EB Ranch, Broadus MT.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1300.....	\$67.00
EB Ranch, Broadus MT.....	6.....	Blk Cow.....	1096.....	\$71.00
EB Ranch, Broadus MT.....	8.....	Blk Hfr.....	992.....	\$94.00
EB Ranch, Broadus MT.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1205.....	\$65.00
Evans, Jason D, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1320.....	\$67.00
Grubel Family Trust, Leo E Or Iva E, Sturgis SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1165.....	\$58.50
Grubel, Adam, Sturgis SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1317.....	\$63.50
Grubel, Christopher, Sturgis SD.....	2.....	B/R Cow.....	1292.....	\$66.50
Grubel, Ronald, Sturgis SD.....	1.....	Char Cow.....	1500.....	\$60.00
Hafner, Terry, Ludlow SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1300.....	\$66.50
Halbmaier, Doug & Rolene, Aladdin WY.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1495.....	\$66.00
Ham, Keith, Caputa SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1675.....	\$64.50
Ham, Keith, Caputa SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1625.....	\$66.00
Ham, Keith, Caputa SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1480.....	\$66.00
Ham, Keith, Caputa SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1375.....	\$63.00
Ham, Morgan, Caputa SD.....	2.....	Red Cow.....	1480.....	\$66.50
Heart Tail Ranch Lip, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Blk Hfr.....	1000.....	\$85.00
Komes, Timothy J, Sturgis SD.....	3.....	Herf Cow.....	1491.....	\$60.50
Lambert, Bill & Will, Osage WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1290.....	\$64.50
Lambert, Bill & Will, Osage WY.....	2.....	B/R Cow.....	1257.....	\$64.00
Lambert, Bill & Will, Osage WY.....	2.....	B/R Cow.....	1130.....	\$65.50
Lambert, Bill & Will, Osage WY.....	3.....	Red Cow.....	1260.....	\$69.00
Lammi, John, Volborg MT.....	8.....	Bld Cow.....	1375.....	\$67.00
Lammi, John, Volborg MT.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1147.....	\$80.00
Lammi, John, Volborg MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	840.....	\$62.00
Lindblom, Brad, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1340.....	\$64.00
Lindblom, Brad, Hermosa SD.....	7.....	Blk Hfr.....	909.....	\$97.00
Lindblom, David Or Starla, Rapid City SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1325.....	\$66.00
Lindblom, David Or Starla, Rapid City SD.....	2.....	Blk Hfr.....	860.....	\$95.00
Lindblom, Kate, Rapid City SD.....	1.....	Blk Hfr.....	870.....	\$93.00
Mielke, Alan, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1540.....	\$65.00
Palo, Jim, Newell SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1540.....	\$66.00
Palo, Jim, Newell SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1505.....	\$60.00
Palo, Jim, Newell SD.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1303.....	\$67.00
Perino, Matt, Newcastle WY.....	8.....	Blk Cow.....	1171.....	\$64.00
Perino, Matt, Newcastle WY.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1060.....	\$71.00
Perino, Matt, Newcastle WY.....	3.....	B/Ch Cow.....	1231.....	\$64.00
Peterson, Darrell, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Red Cow.....	1465.....	\$61.00
Riesland Ranch, Broadus MT.....	6.....	Blk Cow.....	1149.....	\$71.00
Riesland Ranch, Broadus MT.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1160.....	\$64.00
Robertson, Tyler Or Tiffany, Hermosa SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1340.....	\$66.00
Robertson, Tyler Or Tiffany, Hermosa SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1237.....	\$66.00
Robertson, Tyler Or Tiffany, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Bld Cow.....	1415.....	\$66.50
Russiff Ranch Co, Olive MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1510.....	\$65.50
Russiff Ranch Co, Olive MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1510.....	\$66.50
Russiff Ranch Co, Olive MT.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1365.....	\$58.00
S & L Sheep Ranch Inc, Alzada MT.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1280.....	\$66.00
Schallenberger, Leroy, Ekalaka MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1415.....	\$66.00
Schallenberger, Leroy, Ekalaka MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1410.....	\$60.00
Schallenberger, Leroy, Ekalaka MT.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1243.....	\$67.00
Schallenberger, Leroy, Ekalaka MT.....	7.....	Blk Cowette.....	944.....	\$94.50
Seldo Inc, Boyes MT.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1607.....	\$58.50
Seldo Inc, Boyes MT.....	12.....	Blk Cow.....	1395.....	\$66.00
Seldo Inc, Boyes MT.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1346.....	\$65.50

Seldo Inc, Boyes MT.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1326.....	\$65.00
Shorb, Clay, Hermosa SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1247.....	\$65.50
Shorb, Clay, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1110.....	\$68.00
Shorb, Clay, Hermosa SD.....	4.....	Blk Cow.....	1073.....	\$83.00
Sinner, Jake Or Angie, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1635.....	\$61.00
Sinner, Jake Or Angie, Gillette WY.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1311.....	\$66.50
Six Ess LLC, Ekalaka MT.....	5.....	Blk Cow.....	1412.....	\$66.50
Six Ess LLC, Ekalaka MT.....	3.....	Blk Cow.....	1161.....	\$65.50
Smith Cattle Co, Olive MT.....	2.....	Blk Cowette.....	987.....	\$95.00
Snyder, John W & Brenda Kay, Weston WY.....	3.....	Herf Cow.....	1221.....	\$57.00
Snyder, John W & Brenda Kay, Weston WY.....	1.....	Herf Cow.....	1215.....	\$59.00
Statham Real Estate, Belle Fourche SD.....	3.....	Blk Hfr.....	881.....	\$100.00
Sunnyside Livestock, Gillette WY.....	5.....	Bld Cow.....	1082.....	\$65.00
Talcoit, Kenneth, Hammond MT.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1145.....	\$62.00
Tenold, Peder J, Reva SD.....	1.....	Herf Cow.....	1410.....	\$56.50
Tenold, Peder J, Reva SD.....	1.....	Herf Cow.....	1240.....	\$58.50
Vandervoort, Philip R & Linda M, Piedmont SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1305.....	\$60.00
Vandervoort, Philip R & Linda M, Piedmont SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1277.....	\$66.50
Vandervoort, Reed, Piedmont SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1470.....	\$62.00
Vandervoort, Reed, Piedmont SD.....	2.....	Blk Cow.....	1352.....	\$67.50
Vandervoort, Reed, Piedmont SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1130.....	\$69.00
Vandervoort, Reed, Piedmont SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1105.....	\$75.00
Vandervoort, Reed, Piedmont SD.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1045.....	\$60.50
VM Diamond Ranch, Upton WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1390.....	\$66.50
VM Diamond Ranch, Upton WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1165.....	\$74.00
VM Diamond Ranch, Upton WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1110.....	\$64.50
Wesley, Tj, Oshoto WY.....	6.....	Blk Cow.....	1262.....	\$66.50
Wilson, Wayne R Or Susan, Alva WY.....	3.....	Bld Hfr.....	1101.....	\$81.00
Wilson, Wayne R Or Susan, Alva WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1480.....	\$65.50
Zimmerscheid, Everett, Carlie WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1240.....	\$66.00
Zimmerscheid, George, Carlie WY.....	1.....	Blk Cow.....	1290.....	\$67.50

Weigh-Up Bulls

Burghdurf, Gerald & Rebecca, Camp Crook SD.....	1.....	Char Bull.....	2310.....	\$92.50
Burghdurf, Gerald & Rebecca, Camp Crook SD.....	1.....	Char Bull.....	1805.....	\$102.50
Dikoff, Roger Or Elizabeth, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	2280.....	\$90.00
Dobrenz, Larry J Or Jackie N, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	2195.....	\$95.00
Eothen Corporation, Aladdin WY.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	2100.....	\$96.00
Evans, Janet, Weston WY.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	2005.....	\$101.00
Heart Tail Ranch Lip, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1870.....	\$102.00
Johnson Ranch Lip, Buffalo SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1905.....	\$95.00
Konechne, Jim A, Rapid City SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1850.....	\$92.00
Latham, Darwin Or Kay, Camp Crook SD.....	2.....	Blk Bull.....	1895.....	\$80.50
Latham, John, Camp Crook SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1770.....	\$78.00
Latham, John, Camp Crook SD.....	2.....	Blk Bull.....	1380.....	\$84.00
Mielke, Alan, Hermosa SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1650.....	\$85.00
Millers Crow Creek Ranch LLC, Spearfish SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1885.....	\$99.00
Pownall, Marsha, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Herf Bull.....	1885.....	\$91.00
S & L Sheep Ranch Inc, Alzada MT.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1795.....	\$65.00
S & L Sheep Ranch Inc, Alzada MT.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1660.....	\$79.00
Sinner, Jake Or Angie, Gillette WY.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1965.....	\$83.50
Triangle J Ranch, Miller NE.....	2.....	Blk Bull.....	1897.....	\$95.00
Vandervoort, Philip R & Linda M, Piedmont SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1165.....	\$85.00
Wilcox, Dee, Mud Butte SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1975.....	\$101.00
Wilcox, Dee, Mud Butte SD.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1640.....	\$102.00
Wilson, Wayne R Or Susan, Alva WY.....	1.....	Blk Bull.....	1890.....	\$90.00

Friday - May 22, 2020

**Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special &
Opitz Angus Bull Production Sale & Turn Out Bull Sale**
10:00AM- Weigh Ups - 11:00AM - Bred Cows & Pairs Followed
by Calves- 1:00 PM - Turn Out Bull Sale

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

Calves

PeeGee Ranch - 80 Blk Angus Hfrs - 770-800# - BV, NHTC & Age

& Source, Replacement Kind

- 13 Blk Hfrs - 800# - Not Aged & Sourced

Matt Hubbard - 75 Blk Hfrs - 400-500# BT, PC

- 10 Blk Strs - 550-575# BT, PC

SD Consignment - 50 Blk Hfrs - 550-625# BT, PC

Charles Pellet - 20 Red Angus Hfrs - 500-600# BT, PC, BV

Turn Out Bull Sale

Opitz Angus Production Sale - 25 Fancy Angus Bulls

Trish & Scott Linford - 2 Angus 15 Mo Old Bulls

Medicine Rocks Ranch - 10 Blk Angus Yrfg Bulls

Kelly Erikson - 8 Sim Angus Bulls

Fraleigh Land & Livestock - 2 Red Angus 13 Mo Old Bulls

Baker Lemar Angus - 9 Angus Bulls

Math Farms Angus - 50 Blk Angus Yrfg Bulls

- 10 Blk Angus 2 Yr Old Bulls

Wade Mitzel - 1 Red Angus Bull

Red Hills Spend Thrift Trust - 5 Red Angus 2 Yr Old Bulls

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Mostly Slaughter Ewes In The Offering Today
They Sold \$7 To \$10 Higher

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Slaughter Ewes

Erk Ranch, Newell SD	8	Klr Ewes	180	\$52.00
Fishhook Ranch, Prairie City SD	16	Klr Ewes	175	\$66.00
Fishhook Ranch, Prairie City SD	13	Klr Ewes	150	\$65.50
Kling, Ed, Nisland SD	4	Klr Ewes	182	\$65.50
Kling, Ed, Nisland SD	6	Klr Ewes	144	\$54.00
McEuen, Levi, Broadus MT	10	Klr Ewes	159	\$66.00
McEuen, Levi, Broadus MT	16	Klr Ewes	126	\$54.00
Olson, Casey, Prairie City SD	10	Klr Ewes	172	\$66.00
Olson, Casey, Prairie City SD	5	Klr Ewes	168	\$65.50
Reaves, Darla, Broadus MT	13	Klr Ewes	160	\$65.50
Secrest, Shannon Or Ashley, Buffalo SD	16	Klr Ewes	159	\$65.50
Secrest, Shannon Or Ashley, Buffalo SD	9	Klr Ewes	138	\$54.00
Sparks, Jeanne, Broadus MT	3	Klr Ewes	200	\$66.00
Steadman, Tim, Miles City MT	10	Klr Ewes	173	\$66.00
Steadman, Tim, Miles City MT	8	Klr Ewes	153	\$65.50
Tenold, Robert, Reva SD	8	Klr Ewes	165	\$65.50
Tenold, Robert, Reva SD	10	Klr Ewes	135	\$54.00

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The Good Stuff

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

In a world of busy-ness, there is much need for todays Good Stuff. Thank you for your time.

Thank You for Your Time

Author unknown

It had been some time since Jack had seen the old man.

College, girls, career, and life itself got in the way.. In fact, Jack moved clear across the country in pursuit of his dreams.

There, in the rush of his busy life, Jack had little time to think about the past and often no time to spend with his wife and son. He was working on his future, and nothing could stop him.

Over the phone, his mother told him, "Mr. Belser died last night. The funeral is Wednesday." Memories flashed through his mind like an old newsreel as he sat quietly remembering his childhood days. "Jack, did you hear me?" "Oh, sorry, Mom. Yes, I heard you.. It's been so long since I thought of him. I'm sorry, but I honestly thought he died years ago," Jack said.

"Well, he didn't forget you. Every time I saw him he'd ask how you were doing. He'd reminisce about the many days you spent over 'his side of the fence' as he put it," Mom told him. "I loved that old house he lived in," Jack said.

"You know, Jack, after your father died, Mr. Belser stepped in to make sure you had a man's influence in your life," she said

"He's the one who taught me carpentry," he said. "I wouldn't be in this business if it weren't for him. He spent a lot of time teaching me things he thought were important...Mom, I'll be there for the funeral," Jack said.

As busy as he was, he kept his word. Jack caught the next flight to his hometown. Mr. Belser's funeral was small and uneventful. He had no children of his own, and most of his relatives had passed away.

The night before he had to return home, Jack and his Mom stopped by to see the old house next door one more time.

Standing in the doorway, Jack paused for a moment. It was like crossing over into another dimension, a leap through space and time The house was exactly as he remembered. Every step held memories. Every picture, every piece of furniture....Jack stopped suddenly.. "What's wrong, Jack?" his Mom asked.

"The box is gone," he said "What

box?" Mom asked.

"There was a small gold box that he kept locked on top of his desk. I must have asked him a thousand times what was inside. All he'd ever tell me was 'the thing I value most,'" Jack said.

It was gone. Everything about the house was exactly how Jack remembered it, except for the box. He figured someone from the Belser family had taken it.

"Now I'll never know what was so valuable to him," Jack said. "I better get some sleep. I have an early flight home, Mom."

It had been about two weeks since Mr. Belser died Returning home from work one day Jack discovered a note in his mailbox. "Signature required on a package. No one at home. Please stop by the main post office within the next three days," the note read.

Early the next day Jack retrieved the package. The small box was old and looked like it had been mailed a hundred years ago. The handwriting was difficult to read, but the return address caught his attention. "Mr. Harold Belser" it read.. Jack took the box out to his

car and ripped open the package. There inside was the gold box and an envelope. Jack's hands shook as he read the note inside.

"Upon my death, please forward this box and its contents to Jack Bennett . It's the thing I valued most in my life." A small key was taped to the letter.. His heart racing, as tears filling his eyes, Jack carefully unlocked the box. There inside he found a beautiful gold pocket watch.

Running his fingers slowly over the finely etched casing, he unlatched the cover. Inside he found these words engraved:

"Jack, Thanks for your time! -Harold Belser." "The thing he valued most was...my time" Jack held the watch for a few minutes, then called his office and cleared his appointments for the next two days. "Why?" Janet, his assistant asked.

"I need some time to spend with my son," he said.

"Oh, by the way, Janet, thanks for your time!"

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The one-day pageant will be held on June 29, during the 101st Celebration of the Black Hills Roundup 4th of July PRCA Rodeo. Coronation is on June 30, 2020 during the Ranch Rodeo.

Age divisions: Senior: 18 to 26; Junior: 13 to 17; and Princess: 12 & under.

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June 1, 2020 is the application deadline to meet publications.

Miss Black Hills Roundup Queen Pageant Schedule

Christian Life Center, Belle Fourche, SD

Monday June 29, 2020

Open to the public: 9:30am - 12:00

Fashion Show / Speeches at the Christian Life Center 3:00pm

Horsemanship at the Black Hills Roundup Grounds

Tuesday June 30, 2020

Black Hills Roundup Grounds 6:00 pm

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Re-Elect Tom Brunner District 29 State Representative

Applications for June 2 Primary Ballots have been mailed out to eligible voters in District 29. If you request a ballot and vote absentee or go to the Polls on June 2nd you have four choices for State Representative. When you mark your ballot I would appreciate your continued support. I have always strongly supported Conservative values and if ever was a time to keep a strong, consistent, conservative voice in Pierre that time is now. Mark your Ballot Tom Brunner.

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Where's The Beef? Dark Days for the Cattle Industry?

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Arguably, it's because meat packing is consolidated into four major companies which own more than 80% of the U.S. beef supply. These companies are making huge profits by setting the purchase price for producers at a much lower rate than if the producers could shop around. To make matters worse foreign beef is further driving down costs. There are serious food safety issues associated with foreign beef. In 2017, the U.S. Department of Agriculture banned imports of fresh beef from Brazil due to food safety concerns. That ban was lifted earlier this year.

Food safety issues have long-term consequences. If you give blood, you're familiar with the question about if you were in the United Kingdom countries or Germany during the 1980s until the mid-1990s. If you

were in those countries for an extended period of time, it's unlikely that you'll be allowed to give blood. It was during those times that tainted beef (mad cow disease) believed to have come from South America got into the food supply. Military members and their families stationed in those countries were put at risk because of inadequate food safeguards. For more information go to: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK221310/>

In light of past misdeeds regarding beef, do we really want to continue risking the health, safety and economic welfare of our country to save a few dollars? Americans have a right to know where their beef is coming from. As consumers, we should stand shoulder-to-shoulder with the U.S. cattle producers and demand mandatory country-of-origin labeling. And the law shouldn't allow loopholes to create the illusion of compliance.

This issue reminds me of another saying from the 1976 movie Network. "I'm mad as heck (G-rated version) and I'm not going to take it anymore." I want my beef to come from 100% U.S. cattle with no additions or substitutions. Let's work together to forge a brighter future for our cattle producers.

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The SDDOT plans on constructing passing lanes at four locations on SD34 between Whitewood and Belle Fourche. The project will also include the construction of left turn lanes at the intersection of SD34 & Tetrault/Weisman Road. An in-person public meeting will not be held at this time. Interested parties are invited to view the public meeting documents online at the link below and provide comments. Any individuals with disabilities who require a reasonable accommodation to access the information on the department's website may submit an accommodation request to the department's A.D.A. coordinator by calling 605-773-3540 or 1-800-877-1113 (Telecommunications Relay Services for the Deaf).

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Vote June 2nd!

Tom Brunner District 29 Legislative Report

Well, it certainly has been an interesting couple of weeks since we last updated you on a few things. The primary election is just a few short weeks away and by the time you read this the deadline for registering to vote will have passed (May 18th). The 2 counties in Dist. 29 are seeing a huge number of absentee ballots go out and come back in.

One thing to remember is that if you are sent an absentee ballot that is the only ballot you can get. If you lose or misplace it and think you can still vote at the polls on June 2nd you will be wrong. Unless something changes you need to mail or drop off your ballot at the Auditor's office because poll workers will be able to accept them. Just a reminder, I would hate to see someone denied the right and privilege of voting because of a misunderstanding.

The state will ramp up testing for the Covid-19 virus over the

next several weeks. The most vulnerable seem to be the elderly in nursing homes so that will be an area where mass testing will take place, first in the communities with the most spread and then into the less hard hit areas. Tribal communities will also be tested as there seems to be some evidence that they are quite vulnerable.

The nursing home testing will include workers and will be close to 22,000 individuals. Patients with symptoms will continue to be tested as necessary. Employees at the Smithfield plant in Sioux Falls were tested, I'm sure that is the reason for the uptick in positive results the last few weeks. 3700 individuals were tested there. We need to realize that this is just a snapshot in time and that those testing negative could still come down with it at a later time.

I still think our state and particularly our area are handling this pandemic very well.

Businesses are allowed to do what they deem best for their customers and employees and I don't think that part has been to much of a hardship locally. I certainly have been able to frequent the businesses I normally do. I must say though that I am anxiously awaiting the time when restaurants are fully open and we don't have to sit so far apart.

There is still a little tension between the Governor and a couple of tribal Presidents. Having a busy state highway going through a reservation is an unavoidable issue, but if the state is responsible for the maintenance of the road it needs to be available for use. I understand the tribal concerns also so hopefully we can come to an agreement before a lawsuit is filed or worse yet someone gets hurt.

To get hold of me my email is still Thomas.brunner@sdlegislature.gov. Don't hesitate to write if you have concerns.



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Thank you,
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Paid for by candidate Dean Wink

Re-Elect Kirk Chaffee District 29 State Representative



I've enjoyed the challenges of serving in the legislature and look forward to working hard the next two years. I come with decades of expertise in dealing with Local, State and Federal Agencies and the same amount of time working with and helping small citizen groups. I work on solving problems by focusing on issues and facts and less on emotion and drama. I can tap into practical, previous experiences and keep clear focus on the objectives at hand.

When it comes to the question of what the government should do to help local citizens and private business at any time, my first go to answer is, "get the heck out of their way!" South Dakotans have built a state government on the premises

of avoiding bureaucratic red tape, needless requirements and heavy tax burdens. I see the State's role as clearing the field of as many obstacles as possible. Government's role is to only provide what we the people cannot accomplish as individuals.

With all the issues that will be facing South Dakota as a result of Covid-19 I believe my experience in the legislature will be an attribute going forward.

It has been an honor to serve you, and I wish to humbly thank you for your support in the past and would sincerely appreciate your vote in the June 2nd Legislative Primary.



I would sincerely appreciate your vote.

Kirk Chaffee

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Intangible Benefits of Truly Local

W. Edwards Deming once said, “It is not necessary to change, survival isn’t mandatory”. Change has never been more necessary than now. In light of the recent economic impact of Covid19, it may indeed be mandatory if a community is to survive. In recent columns, we have spent time discussing the solid financial reasons for spending our personal and local government dollars hyper-locally. Oftentimes, what gets lost in these conversations are the intangible community benefits that come from spending our funds at locally owned and operated businesses. Those benefits are immense and ought not be understated.

For those new to this column, hyper-local for purposes of these columns mean businesses or chains that are locally owned and operated.

Recently, I came across a great info-graphic put out by the ILSR (Institute for Local Self-Reliance) pointing out many of the intangible elements

associated with hyper-local spending. While this list isn’t a complete list of reasons, it certainly provides food for thought and a great starting point for this column.

First, spending local is a great way to strengthen your own community and local economy. Locally owned and operated businesses tend to hire local people and utilize local services. While all businesses pay local taxes, locally owned businesses are far more likely to support local causes and non-profits. This support comes in more ways than just financial; it comes through serving on local boards, volunteering, community pride and so forth. These intangibles should not be undersold. Your local community is only as good as it’s economic base, and we need to be pulling out all the stops 24/7, 365 days a year to strengthen and build our local economies.

Secondly, shopping local allows you a greater opportunity

to benefit from local expertise in certain areas you wouldn’t experience when shopping on Amazon. An example might be informational things or the ability to actually try on a piece of clothing. It can also lead to finding other unique and locally made items you may not have found while shopping online or out of town. Those are pieces of information you forgo when not shopping locally.

Thirdly, when you shop at locally owned businesses, you are also casting a vote for the American dream. You are voting with your pocketbook and saying you believe in your community. You want to see it flourish. There are many pathways for entrepreneurs to flourish, one of the most effective ways is for them to be pushed upward is by their community supporting their locally owned businesses. Your dollars spent locally are in a true sense, investing in enhanced local entrepreneurship, which then results in real economic growth.

Fourth, another of the benefits when spending hyper-locally is the connectivity you experience when shopping in your local brick-n-mortar locations. You bump into old friends; you might even make new friends along the way. As we have learned through the Covid-19 stay-at-home routine, we crave interaction and friendship, something we have found we miss. By being in the commu-

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nity and bonding with others, we add to the hustle and bustle that a local downtown or Main Street bring; something we find isn’t available when shopping out of town or online. Don’t underestimate the value to the community of this benefit.

Lastly, we live in a world where information has never been more available, yet many residents in local communities are information starved. While information is actually more available; due to the fragmentation of the endless media and information options, we have a tough time knowing where to find the right information for the right topic. Shopping hyper-locally, spending time in your community among friends and peers while sharing information with each other is a great way to start overcoming this information starvation.

In order for any community to survive and thrive over the long haul, it takes the local business

base to flourish and prosper. Local governments, communities and residents alike can control and assist in this thriving opportunity by simply seeking as many ways as possible to support and shop hyper-locally.

The future of our small and medium size towns will rely on the success of the locally owned businesses. When we support them, we are building our own Main Streets and sending that much less to Wall Street. When we figure out ways to build our downtowns through a locally owned business base, we are building long-term sustainability and increased self-reliance. Those two items are what will assure our community survives the economic conditions, regardless of what they might be.

John A. Newby, author of the “Building Main Street, Not Wall Street” column dedicated to helping communities. email at: john@360MediaAlliance.net.

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This is some advice I wrote out for my nephew when he left for his first “away from home” job.

When you work for someone, give them a days work for a

days wages.
Don’t lie; it doesn’t help in the long run.
Be careful how you criticize your boss; he’s only human too and probably doing the best he

knows how.
Look for work to be done; don’t wait to be told.
Don’t make promises that you can’t keep.
Treat people the way you want them to treat you.
Save part of your paycheck. Someday you’ll want to buy something expensive and won’t be able to get a loan.
Don’t kick or cuss another mans dog or horse; it won’t accomplish anything and might get you in a fight you can’t win.
Don’t try to impress people. If you follow these few rules, you will.
Give compliments where and when they are needed and

deserved.
Don’t think you know it all. No one ddoes.
Don’t offer advice until it is asked for.
Watch your back, amongst strangers.
Prepare for the worst while hoping for the best.
Even if you know a better way to do the task at hand, do it the bosses way; he writes the checks.
Look for the best in every situation.
Listen more; talk less.
Use your brain to save your back.
Above all else; be careful and take good care of yourself!

You’ll do no one any good if you get crippled. A lifetime is a long time to spend in a wheel chair or a bed.
Written for Dustin when he left for his first ranch job, away from home
by his Uncle Robert Dennis
February 4, 1993

I added this in Feb 1997, for my sons
If you don’t like your boss or the work, go on down the road. It will serve your health and peace of mind better than fretting under a poor load. Money isn’t the only thing of importance in life. Peace of mind is worth a lot.

Then and Now *in Newell*

May 26, 1910

M.J. Smiley, Walter Gay and D.J. Hull of Belle Fourche came over to Newell in the new Smiley automobile. Mr. Smiley is president of the Smiley-Gay Hardware Co and was looking after the new building the company is putting in at this point, Walter Gay will have charge of the plant operations.
Work on the C.F. McClung Pool Hall is progressing rapidly. He expects to have it completed in a week or 10 days. A meeting will be held at the Pool Hall June 5, at 2 o’clock sharp, for the purpose of organizing the Newell Band. Everyone with a talent and interested, kindly be present. Frank H. McClung is conducting the meeting.

May 20, 1920

The cloud burst washed out 3 places in the South Canal in the Empire section and the ditch crew is busy repairing the same. Other storm damage reports: much work and seed were lost and must be re-seeded; miles of fencing was carried away; sheep flocks, horses, bridges, culverts; a 70’ shed on Frank Doud ranch and Luther Hill’s barn was moved off its foundation. Numerous reports as to the unsafe conditions of the Orman Dam were circulated after the storm. From all reliable reports

there has not been anytime of the high water that the structure was in danger, although the water rose over a foot above the spillway.

Judging from the pictures in the dailies, some of the “big city” girls are wearing amputated overalls or rompers for bathing suits are ineligible for pool membership. They should apply to the Fig Leaf Club.

May 22, 1930

Peter Laitala, 64, one of the early residents of the Horse Creek vicinity, passed away at his ranch home early Tuesday morning. Mr. Laitala was well known in Newell and Lead, having conducted grocery stores years ago in both places and also for a time operated a store at his Horse Creek ranch in connection with the Horse Creek Post Office. Funeral services will be held from the Congregational Church, Newell, on Friday with Rev Carl Tamminen of the Finnish Lutheran Church, preaching the sermon. Burial will be in the Newell Cemetery.

It is reported that fire Monday morning completely destroyed the ranch home of Mr. & Mrs. Alva Glover on Willow Creek east of Newell. Mrs. Glover had left the house for a few minutes, while heating wash water on an oil stove and it is thought

from the Newell Museum

that the stove either exploded or water boiled over to start the fire. Everything in the house was consumed in the flames. Insurance on the amount of \$1000 is reported to have been carried. The house had just recently been completed and was a commodious one-story residence.

A bunch of Ft. Meade soldiers was camped near the Tommy Brown Bridge close to the Belle Fourche River, enjoying a vacation for several days of R&R.

May 23, 1940

Ed Lemmon, of Lemmon arrived Friday for an extended visit with Mr. & Mrs. Ole Tysdal and other friends. Sunday dinner guests to greet Mr. Lemmon were: Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Holt and children; Mr. & Mrs. Emil Milberg; Mr. & Mrs. August Maass and Mr. & Mrs. Geo Hill and family. He left Wednesday for his home accompanied by Misses Doris and Callie Maass who will visit there a few days.

Clarence Gladden, Vale youth, drowned shortly after 5 o’clock Monday afternoon in a deep hole in Cottonwood Creek west of Vale after courageously rescuing one of 2 small girls from the icy waters of the stream. While fishing, Alice Burke caught her hook in a tree

and fell into the water trying to loose it. In attempting to rescue her playmate, Marietta Williamson, waded out as far as she could but was unable to save her. Gladden was passing by when he heard the screams. Leaping from the tractor he plunged into the water while the other girl ran for help. After pushing the unconscious girl out of the deep water to where two men pulled her out. Alice and Clarence were transported to Newell, where, the girl was revived and according to Dr. Clark, Gladden was wither stricken by the extreme shock or by cramps in the icy water, was unable to gain a foothold to get out.

The largest class in the history of the School of Mines will be graduated at the 53rd Commencement on May 31. Seventy-four candidates for degrees at the program held at the Alex Johnson which J.V. N Durr, New York City, famed metallurgist and inventor will talk. Local Senior candidates are: Walfred Jukkola, Newell, Chemical Engineering; Paul Esmay, Belle Fourche Electrical Engineering; Orville Johnson Vale, John Malcolm, Newell and Dalls Fowler, Belle Fourche all Mining Engineering.

May 25, 1950

Mr. & Mrs. Dave Lungren and family moved into the farm formerly occupied by Eddie Youngberg. The Martin Jackley family of Edgemont will move onto the farm vacated by Lungren.

Students who are going to work during the summer vacation in work that is covered by the Social Security Act must have Social Security account numbers according to Conrad C. Benson, manager of the Social Security field office, Rapid City. This applies to all students no matter what their age or whether they expect to work only temporarily, part-time or only for a few hours. Students who have Social Security cards but have last them should apply for duplicate cards well in advance of the time they expect to go to work.

May 26, 1960

Excessive use of irrigation water, allowing ditches to overflow or leaving them unattended to flood onto streets or neighbors can result in the termination of irrigation privileges in the City of Newell, residents are warned this year. Belle Fourche Project Manager pointed out that water stored in the reservoir is at a very low mark, with farmers restricted to a 7” allotment for the season, those using irrigation water within the city must also conserve the supply. For Example; on Sunday one farmer was unable to get water because it was being wasted down the highway in Newell.

Rodent outbreaks which have caused millions of dollars in crop losses have been occurring throughout the nation, according to Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife. Since 1957 rodent caused damages has amounted into the millions of dollars in portions of the Northwest where field populations have exploded. In some areas, the meadow mouse population has hit from 2000 to 3000 per acre, practically denuding alfalfa fields. In the southern region, cotton rats became so numerous in Oklahoma and Texas that peanut, watermelon, tomatoes and other crops were damaged beyond harvesting. In a 10-acre field, 10,000 rats were trapped and eradicated.

Plans for an Open House at the Hiwayman Café, with free treats for everyone from 9 AM to 4 PM this Friday, are announced by Cy and Henry Colgrove, who recently purchased the business from Mr. & Mrs. Francis Haley. The Colgrove Bros also operate the 212-79 Servicenter in the same building as the café. They report they will continue to keep both open on a 24-hour basis, with drive-up customer service to be initiated at the café for the summer. Mr. & Mrs. Haley will remain in Newell, where he is engaged in the auctioneering business. They have purchased the Roger Van derBoom house just south of the Irrigation District.



This is a photo of the waves breaking on the face of Orman Dam. Notice the high water. The facing blocks were washed out and had to be replaced. Eventually it was replaced with rip-rap rock.



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GF&P Extends Youth Pheasant Season


PIERRE, S.D. – At their May meeting, the Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission finalized their proposal to extend the youth pheasant season. The proposal modified the current season dates from five consecutive days beginning on the first Saturday of October to nine consecutive days beginning 21 days prior to the third Saturday of October. The 2020 youth pheasant season will begin Sept. 26 and end Oct. 4. The proposal originated through the public petition process and was originally brought to the commission in March by Savannah Hendricks, a junior high school student from Vivian, South Dakota. “Opportunities like the one Savannah created through her petition help remove barriers for whole families to engage in hunting together,” said Taniya Bethke, Education and R3 Coordinator for GFP. R3, which stands for Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation, is a national movement in response to declining participation in hunting, shooting sports, angling and outdoor recreation. The importance of mentorship and whole-family engagement in hunting and shooting sports is more evident than ever before. “Whether enjoying a long-held family tradition, or learning skills to create a new tradition, the extended youth season means more families will be able to get out in the field,” said Bethke. “Time to practice new hunting skills without the pressure that comes with the traditional hunting season is

what makes the youth season so important.” Savannah recognizes the larger impact on families and the future of hunting as well. “I want to thank Mr. Chair, members of the commission, and Secretary Hepler for understanding the need to change the youth pheasant season,” Hendricks said in a statement. “I really appreciate the opportunity to be involved in such a big part of a change that will not only affect me, but will affect all youth and South Dakota’s hunting industry ... Now more than ever I feel that students need to participate in as many activities, sports, clubs and organizations as they can, as well as get good grades! I feel very proud of all the hard work I put into this and

to have it pass! This is a day I will never forget. I’m so happy the commissioners saw this petition as important as I do. I feel very excited and cannot wait to see what the future holds for all youth and for South Dakota’s hunting industry. #R3!” Commissioner Mary Anne Boyd of Yankton noted the number of public comments received from Savannah’s peers. “I want to thank the petitioner and her peers for getting involved in the public process,” said Boyd. “They have made a difference.” Kelly Hepler, Secretary of South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks, stressed the importance of working together to secure South Dakota’s outdoor heritage for the next generation.


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Looking Back in Belle

by Mary Buchholz



These articles come from newspaper microfilm from the Belle Fourche Public library, using a new microfilm reader and printer. The photographs are from the Tri-State Museum.


Today's article is created by using A History of Butte County, South Dakota published by Belle Fourche Public Library, compiled by Pat Engebretson, Kay Heck and Helen Herrett, page 283, and Pioneer Footprints, published in 1964; Further research has been completed at the Butte County Register of Records.

Research on the 305 3rd Avenue started at the assessment office where it was estimated that the house was built in 1890, listed as Lot 6, Block 24 Original Townsite. The lot was sold by the Pioneer Townsite Company to C. W. Simmerlee on December 1, 1898, and in 1899 the Simmerlee sold to William LaFors. William and his wife Mary Catherine (Parrish) owned it for many years.

After William died in 1930, and Mary LaFors in 1943; their son Arthur, granddaughter Katherine Hartwell and Patricia Trenkle, great-granddaughter inherited the home. Eventually the LaFors heirs sold their property to John Voyles and finally it became the home of Roy and Izelle

Berglund. They operated this home as a boarding for 36 years. LaFors owned this property but on the 1920 census records it appears they lived on Pine St, so perhaps they used this home as a rental.

The LeFors family came to the northern country with the cattle herds from Texas; Wm. (Bill) LeFors was hired to work as range foreman and trail boss for the Hash Knife Ranch. In 1885 he was made manager of the ranch. The Hash Knife was the largest ranch in the world at that time, employing as many as 300 men to care for up to 100,000 head of cattle. The stock-killing winter of 1886-87 hit the Hash Knife as hard as it affected other big outfits. Herds



The Hash Knife office on the home ranch on Box Elder where the bookkeeping was done. Hundreds of cowboys were paid off here every week or month. Bill Lefors, the manager, didn't have as elaborate a set-up as a modern million-dollar business would have but the checks were good. The man and dog in the picture imagine they have heard the jingle of spurs and the creak or slap of chaps and saddle leather around this ghost ranch and are getting out of there.

of cattle were practically wiped out by cold, snow, and starvation. Although the ranch made gains to some extent it after that terrible winter; finally, it had to give way to the march of fences, homesteading and population influx. The horse business was the last to close out.

Around the turn of the century, the LeFors with son Arthur moved to Belle Fourche to spend the rest of their days. Their home on Pine Street in the First Ward, was a flower garden show place in which Bill and Mary worked.

As Belle Fourche was a cattle shipping point, LeFors kept up his associations with the industry. He knew many range people and for a period, he was a brand inspector. In 1910, LeFors served on the Belle Fourche council and was also a member of the school board.

The LeFors men have long been involved with law enforcement. Bill was one of 16 children. Five other brothers were also in law enforcement. One famous brother was Joe LeFors, the lawman who brought Tom Horn to justice after the murder of 14-years old Willie Nickell. Son Arthur was elected sheriff of Butte County in 1923. These were the challenging years of the national prohibition experiment that churned public opinion with turmoil. Art LeFors was a dedicated officer. His record of arrests covers the whole category of crime. All peace officers became the target of the booze merchants. On occasions Arthur had to shoot it out in the line of duty. After two terms as sheriff he became deputy sheriff, and later joined the state sheriff department. When that department was abolished, he became a federal



agent in the narcotic division.

Arthur LeFors was married in 1901 to Grace Rollins who died in 1932. He married Josie Muth in 1933 and she passed away in 1948. He married Bessie Thomas in 1952. Art died in December 1957 at age of 77. A daughter Katherine Trenkle survived him.



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Grand River Roundup

BETTY OLSON

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Two showers this week left just over a half inch in the rain gauge. Except for Tuesday, the weather was beautiful with temperatures in the sixties the rest of the week.

Casey, Taz and Trig took horses to Belle Fourche to see Carl Hintz on Monday. Reub went to Reeder that morning to get the fertilizer spreader, Taz got the fertilizer spread when he got home from Belle and Reub took it back to Reeder that evening.

Beatrice (Beckman) Stone, 87, passed away April 30 in Lebanon, Tennessee. Beatrice grew up on the family ranch east of Prairie City. A graveside service was held for her last Friday at the Prairie City cemetery and a memorial service will be held at a later date in Lebanon, TN.

Marvin Bail, age 86, of Owatonna, MN, formerly of Morristown, SD, passed away May 9 from cancer. His funeral was held on Saturday at the Evanston Jensen Funeral Home in Lemmon with burial with military honors in the Morristown Cemetery. He was Junior Bail's brother and was married to Missy's aunt, Beverly Lindquist and Missy went to his funeral.

David Stenerson, 78, from Buffalo, passed away Monday, May 11 and his funeral was also on Saturday with burial at Camp Crook.

Their families have our sympathy.

Casey took a load of ewes to Newell on Thursday while Taz and Trig went fencing up at our Horse Creek pasture to get it ready to trail the cows up there. Missy has been working hard to get her kitchen cupboards painted and they are looking really good.

Ken Amor called me from Canada Friday morning to say he'll be released from quarantine this Sunday. He and his son Adam were planning on coming back down here to get his pickup, but since the border will be

closed until late June because of the China virus his son won't be able to cross the border until it opens up. Ken would also have to be quarantined for two weeks if he crosses the boarder again and he's had enough of that!

The guys fixed my tiller so Taz was able to till all my raised bed gardens Saturday afternoon. I planted some onion sets after he got the gardens worked up and I can't wait to get the other seeds planted.

Saturday was Armed Forces Day and did you see that the Boy Scouts have been banned from placing flags on the graves of veterans in our national cemeteries? The government trying to control everything that American citizens do is infuriating. The way they deal with the virus is more about government control of our lives, loss of freedom, crashing the economy, and political power rather than caring for the sick. Pastor Mohagen calls it "Behavior Modification".

Dave Kurth sent me this: Where the money from the last stimulus bill went: American population: 330,483,530 Stimulus bill: \$2,000,000,000 Dividing the cost by every person in America is \$6,051.74. The government could have given every person over \$6,000, but instead will give \$1,200 to each adult under a certain income. Wanna know where the missing 96% of your tax dollars went? \$300,000,000 for Migrant and Refugee Assistance pg 147 \$10,000 per person for student loan bailout \$100,000,000 to NASA, because, who knows why? \$20,000,000,000 to the USPS, because why not? \$300,000,000 to the Endowment for the Arts / Unbelievable! \$300,000,000 for the Endowment for the Humanities/ because no one even knew that was such a thing \$15,000,000 for Veterans Employment Training / for when the GI Bill isn't enough

\$435,000,000 for mental health support \$30,000,000,000 for the Department of Education stabilization fund/ because that will keep people employed \$200,000,000 to Safe Schools Emergency Response to Violence Program \$300,000,000 to Public Broadcasting / NPR has to be bought by the Democrats \$500,000,000 to Museums and Libraries / Who knows how they are going to use it. \$720,000,000 to Social Security Admin / but get this, only 200,000,000 is to help people. The rest is for administration costs \$25,000,000 for cleaning supplies for the Capitol Building / I kid you not, it's on page 136 \$7,500,000 to the Smithsonian for additional salaries \$35,000,000 to the JFK Center for performing Arts \$25,000,000 for additional salary for House of Representatives \$3,000,000,000 upgrade to the IT department at the VA \$315,000,000 for State Department Diplomatic Programs \$95,000,000 for the Agency of International Development \$300,000,000 for International Disaster Assistance \$90,000,000 for the Peace Corp pg 148 \$13,000,000 to Howard University pg 121 9,000,000 Miscellaneous for Senate Expenses pg 134 \$100,000,000 to Essential Air Carriers pg 162 This is of note because the Airlines are going to need billions in loans to keep them afloat. \$100,000,000 is chump change \$40,000,000,000 goes to the Take Responsibility to Workers and Families Act. This sounds like direct payments for workers. Pg 164 \$1,000,000,000 Airlines Recycle and Save Program pg 163 \$25,000,000 to the FAA for administrative costs pg 165 \$492,000,000 to National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) pg 167 \$526,000,000 Grants to Amtrak to remain available if needed

Capitol News

KAREN ODELL

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The weeks go past quickly. Sundays seem to come in a row, now.

For Ronda Cordell, Monday began with snow flurries continuing off and on throughout the day. Diane Wear and Ronda spent the day fencing in the Long Pines in spite of the weather. Tuesday was a much more blustery day, so Ronda decided to take her pickup for an oil change at Fruit Service. Diane drove the Lincoln to leave for a brake inspection. They spent the next two days fencing and moving cows to get ready for branding on Friday and Sunday.

Curt Zolnoski, Gene Secrest and Luke Crea came to Clint and Denise's to help with branding and hauling pairs on Saturday. Dague Trucking hauled and unloaded at Kennedy's. Then they trailed for a mile from there to the pasture. This has become an every other year routine. Some may wonder, 'why not trail them all the way'? It only took one lesson of "trying to trail", to do it an easier way. At that time, it wasn't that they weren't prepared. They had several experienced riders horseback, and several ATV's, but Ronda doesn't think having double the amount of help would have gotten that herd to the top of those Long Pines. I do know that when the calves broke loose and headed for home, the cows were soon following. Nothing was going to stop them in those pines and on one of the steepest rocky trails up, up, up. Ronda vowed she wouldn't put those critters



through that ordeal again, nor herself. Denise, Darby and Abby Zolnoski came on both Friday and Sunday to help put dinner on for the branding crew. Kim Secrest came along on Sunday. She had come to spend the weekend at Zolnoski's. Diane Wear left after rounding up on Sunday morning, to attend her granddaughter, Brook Douglas's graduation party in Sturgis.

Erma Albert has gotten some nice flowers from the Buffalo hardware, for her planter. Dick left for Pollock on his fishing trip. The first day felt like good ice fishing weather, but the fishing was good. He will be bringing home some fish for the freezer. Erma went to Belle Fourche and Spearfish. She and Ruth Ann visited some second-hand stores and found a few really nice things to buy. When they got to the RE store, they were asked to wear masks. They happened to have some in the car, so they didn't have to buy them there. She enjoyed watching the Senior parade in Buffalo. It was lots of fun. The boys wore gold robes and the girls had black robes and everyone rode in cars and pickups, and some even with ATV's and trailers. They threw out candy for those watching and many people had parked at the old gym to be near the main street for the parade. On Sunday, Erma was in the group A to L, who were invited to go to church at the Catholic church. Being an Albert is an advantage. Next week those names beginning with M on will be invited to church. Those who cannot go still got to see the video of the service on the

internet. Pastors and Priests are becoming very ingenious at adapting and including everyone. Next week Erma will stay home and watch church on the internet. After church she went to Saloon Number Three for dinner and there were many others there this week, spread out in both rooms.

Lynn and Bruce Gustafson had over an inch of rain this week. They have traded houses and do not have a garden space at the new place, yet, but Lynn has some things planted in planters. She figures that they will be enough to feed the deer and raccoon anyway. They went on a 'walk-about' on Friday to the Hills. They went down through Hulell to see a little scenery

Pete Anderson went to church in Camp Crook on Sunday.

Dorothy Padden's garden has been too wet for planting this week, and it has been pretty cold at night, too. She has some of it out. On Friday evening, she and the branding crew went to the Corner Cafe for supper. On Sunday, she went over to BJ Padden's to help render lard. BJ's family was there to help, and Kelly Padden's family came to help, too.

Dawn Padden woke up on Mother's Day to discover there was no water. She got a great Mother's Day gift when Brandon came over to fix the water for her. He discovered that a big bumble bee had somehow gotten in the pressure switch, and caused the problem. The Padden's branded a little each day this week, and got some done every day, even though the week was rainy, windy and cold for this time of year.

On Monday, Alvin Cordell and Denin Cheguis hauled yearlings to the Yates place. Ryan Cordell

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through 2021 pg 168 (what are the odds that doesn't go unused) Hidden on page 174 the Secretary has 7 days to allocate the funds & notify Congress \$25,000,000,000 for Transit Infrastructure pg 169 \$3,000,000 Maritime Administration pg 172 \$5,000,000 Salaries and Expensive Office of the Inspector General pg 172

\$2,500,000 Public and Indian Housing pg 175 \$5,000,000 Community Planning and Development pg 175 \$2,500,000 Office of Housing If you think that's bad, the \$3 trillion stimulus bill the House passed this week is even worse. It's nothing but a leftist wish list using our tax money. Hopefully it dies in the Senate.

had gotten two pigs from Dennis Price. Dennis had gotten a load from a farmer from eastern South Dakota who could not sell because the packing plant monopolies were shut down. On Wednesday, Alvin went to Ryan's to help butcher the two pigs. Ivan Teigen came to help, and Denin was there to help, too. On Saturday, Wade Pearson and Gavin stayed overnight. Charlie Odell came to Betty Loken's on Sunday to inspect yearlings for Wade, and then he and Gavin hauled them to Beulah, WY. Marlee went to Belle Fourche on Sunday, so she could be in town for an appointment on Monday morning.

Karen Odell spent her week doing some art for the art activities on her Evans Odell Publishing Facebook page. She is up to project 55, and is finally skipping some days, since school will soon be out for the summer. This week she got a Cd Baby Hear Now page published for the song she and Mollie have on YouTube called 'Touch of the Harp'. She also wrote and emailed piano music to their grandchildren. Then she made videos of beginning piano lessons for Kenna's birthday. The lesson videos will premier on

Facebook on Kenna's birthday, so she can take piano at home. School will be out for them next week, and the lessons may give her something extra to work on this summer. Since they are 'beginning' lessons, Kyia and Murphy may be able to do them, too. It is incredible that they can take the same lessons from Minnesota, Washington and Mitchell. Charlie worked on taxes a couple of days, and did some dinking. He had a phone conference with a nurse at Fr Meade on Thursday. Then, Charlie and Karen went to Buffalo hardware to get plants and building supplies. Charlie inspected cows for Ryan Cordell, Wade Pearson and Kent Williams on Sunday morning. He and Karen went to church at Mollie's church in Minneapolis online. Then Charlie went to pick up lunch at the Over The Edge. Karen got her tomatoes planted on Sunday afternoon; hoping they do not freeze She is still writing on Rowan's book for his birthday.

It is great to be able to go to church later online, even if you missed going. Many churches have recently learned the value of videoing the service. Hope everyone stays safe and well.

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ACROSS

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- Explode
- Of the kind of (suf.)
- She (Fr.)
- Jap. apricot
- Para-aminobenzoic acid
- Differ
- Arabian chieftain
- Greek letter
- Tree
- Asbestos (abbr.)
- Burmese knife
- Incessantly
- lt. marble
- Tilled land
- Common man
- Siesta
- Adjective-forming (suf.)
- Agave fiber
- Daw
- Soft mineral
- Guido's note (2 words)

DOWN

- "Venerable" monk
- Settled
- "Casablanca" characters
- Nat'l Endowment for the Arts (abbr.)
- Steal
- Buddhist sacred mountain
- Pique
- Amazon tributary
- N.A. tree
- Wading bird
- Carbon (pref.)
- Objective
- Stowe character

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION: “The oldest, shortest words — ‘yes’ and ‘no’ — are those which require the most thought.” — Pythagoras

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Producers Livestock,			
Sundance, WY	14.. Red Hfr Pair	1021	2000.00
Kuhbacher Ranch Inc,			
Moorcroft, WY	11.. Black Bm Pair	1621	1410.00
.....	16.. Blk/Bwf Bm Pair	1643	1335.00
.....	9.. Bwf Bm Pair	1463	1200.00
Mike Opitz, Piedmont, SD	8.. Black 5-6 Yo Pair	1503	1950.00
Jake Karrels, Whitewood, SD	3.. Blk/Bwf Bm Pair	1603	1325.00
.....	15.. Blk/Bwf Bm Pair	1382	1300.00
Tristan Horst, Belle Fourche, SD	6.. Rwf-Pair 5-6 Yo	1613	1550.00
Mike & Judy Green, Upton, WY	14.. Blk/Bwf-Pair Sm	1295	1360.00
.....	4.. Red-Pair Sm	1239	1225.00
Lindsay Tope, Baker, MT	5.. Black-Pair 5-6 Yo	1222	1650.00

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Marc & Tamala Tracy,			
Newcastle, WY	6.. Black-Hfrt	1000	88.00
.....	1.. Black-Cow	1280	63.50
Larson Family LD Partner,			
Spearfish, SD	3.. Blk/Bwf-Cowette	1192	75.00
.....	4.. Bwf-Cow	1603	62.50
Chris Penner, Newell, SD	3.. Black-Hfrt	1007	88.00
Bobby Thielen, Plevna, MT	1.. Bwf-Hfrt	850	82.00
Clint Westover, Moorcroft, WY	1.. Bwf-Cowette	985	73.00
Cross W Livestock, Ekalka, MT	8.. Black-Cowette	1169	68.00
.....	2.. Black-Cow	1178	63.00
.....	1.. Black-Cow	1630	63.50
.....	1.. Black-Cow	1510	64.50
.....	4.. Blk/Bwf-Cow	1165	57.00
.....	3.. Black-Cow	1172	59.00
Tim Reich, Belle Fourche, SD	5.. Char-Cow	1268	61.00
.....	3.. Char-Cow	1337	60.00
Bruce Hanson, Spearfish, SD	2.. Black-Cow	1440	61.50
Damm Brothers Inc, Broadus, MT	3.. Black-Hfrt	1030	85.00
Kermit Rumph, Biddle, MT	1.. Black-Cowette	1075	70.00
.....	2.. Black-Cow	1138	62.00
.....	3.. Black-Cow	1368	60.00
Matt or Donna Perino,			
Newcastle, WY	6.. Black-Cowette	958	66.00
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.....	3.. Blk/Bwf-Cow	1138	63.00
.....	2.. Char-Cow	943	60.00
John S or Bonnie Johnson,			
Buffalo, SD	1.. Black-Cow	1365	63.50
.....	4.. Black-Cow	1224	61.50
Quentin Rumph, Biddle, MT	6.. Black-Cow	1419	63.00
.....	4.. Black-Cow	1426	63.00
.....	1.. Black-Cowette	1180	62.00
Stephanie Johnson, Banner, WY	2.. Black-Cow	1273	63.00
Consignment from, WY	5.. Black-Hfrt	937	88.00
Ritthaler Cattle Co, Upton, WY	11.. Rd/Blk-Cow	1597	65.00
.....	1.. Black-Bull	1525	76.00
Dave Mader, Biddle, MT	5.. Black-Cowette	1209	64.00
Leroy Schallenberger,			
Ekalaka, MT	4.. Blk/Bwf-Cow	1279	60.00
.....	2.. Black-Hfrt	844	83.00
Tom Riggs, Broadus, MT	6.. Black-Cow	1481	60.50
.....	3.. Black-Cow	1258	64.00
Minow Ranch Inc, Olive, MT	7.. Black-Cowette	1162	66.00
.....	2.. Blk/Bwf-Cow	1328	63.50
Mds Trust, Dayton, WY	3.. Black-Cowette	1017	73.00
.....	3.. Black-Cow	1385	62.50
.....	1.. Black-Cowette	1040	62.00
Leroy Schallenberger,			
Ekalaka, MT	3.. Black-Hfrt	844	83.00
Brian or Alisha Allen,			
Rapid City, SD	1.. Rwf-Hfrt	850	82.00
Darrell & Leanne Hohn,			
Deadwood, SD	2.. Black-Cow	1753	58.00
Wesley Wood, Belle Fourche, SD	4.. Black-Cow	1381	61.00
.....	1.. Black-Cow	1305	58.00
.....	2.. Black-Cow	1210	58.00
John Tronstad, Baker, MT	2.. Black-Hfrt	1093	82.00
.....	2.. Black-Hfrt	990	88.00
Riley Lesh, Ekalka, MT	3.. Mix-Cowette	1132	77.00
Clinton Lesh, Ekalka, MT	1.. Black-Cow	1130	61.00
.....	1.. Black-Cow	1540	60.00
Tuf Ranch Inc, Beulah, WY	1.. Bwf-Cow	1385	53.00

Harmon Creek Cattle Co,			
Ekalaka, MT	1.. Black-Cow	1255	56.00
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Tj Livestock, Weston, WY	2.. Black-Hfrt	1033	84.00
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Graham Livestock Inc,			
Moorcroft, WY	1.. Black-Cow	1210	69.00
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Bill Lambert, Hammond, MT	8.. Black-Cow	1403	60.50
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Dahl Ranch Inc, Camp Crook, SD	9.. Black-Cowette	1109	64.50
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.....	14.. Black-Cow	1353	61.00
Bar H Ranch, Reva, SD	8.. Blk/Bwf-Hfrt	956	88.00
.....	16.. Blk/Bwf-Cow	1187	57.50
.....	2.. Black-Hfrt	888	98.00
.....	7.. Blk/Bwf-Cow	1088	54.00
Terry Powell, Biddle, MT	1.. Black-Cow	1365	60.00
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.....	1.. Black-Cow	1300	59.00
.....	1.. Black-Cow	1390	61.50
Andrew (Cal) Thybo, Reva, SD	2.. Black-Hfrt	895	80.00
Haier Enterprise Inc, Spearfish, SD	2.. Blk/Bwf-Cow	1328	60.50
Kim Kling, Belle Fourche, SD	1.. Black-Cow	1285	61.50
Todd or Nancy Collins,			
Sturgis, SD	1.. Black-Cow	1225	61.00
Bruce or Brent Riley,			
Spearfish, SD	1.. Black-Cow	1230	60.50
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Levin Ranch Inc, Sturgis, SD	2.. Black-Cow	1445	58.00
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.....	1.. Black-Cow	1230	57.50
.....	1.. Black-Cow	1575	57.50
Gilbert Cattle Company, Ludlow, SD	8.. Black-Hfrt	978	81.00
Lindsay Tope, Baker, MT	1.. Black-Cow	1095	60.00
Mickey & Lesley Sams, Weston, WY	2.. Black-Cowette	1080	76.00
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Early one morning I was walking through the Black Hills National Cemetery with my young son. We paused to read some of the white markers. Many had World War II, Korea, Vietnam, or Desert Storm carved into the stone.

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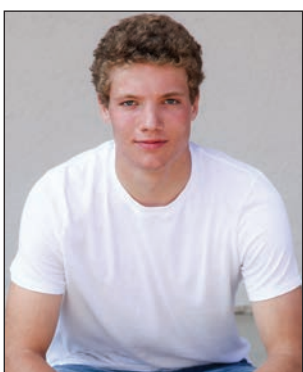
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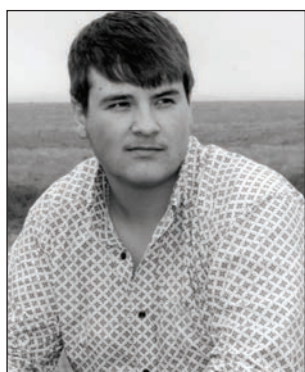
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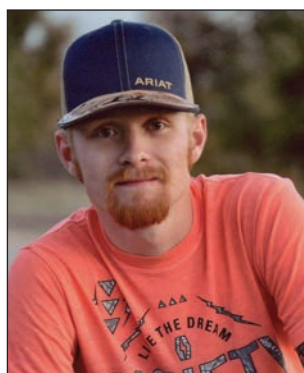
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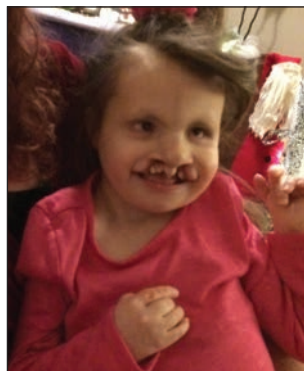
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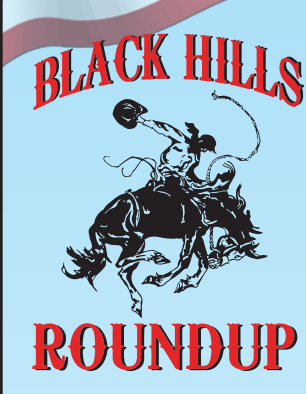
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City of Newell to Receive Large Donation

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NEWELL – Mayor Ken Wetz announced that a company, which owns the windfarm that is being built northeast of Newell, would like to make a sizable donation to the local area, an amount around \$50,000, to help with the related impact to the area of the Covid 19 virus.

“They will be making a donation to the South Dakota Community Foundation as well as to the Newell Community Club,” said Wetz. “The club has agreed to take the funds and respond.” He said part of the funds will go to support the local NVN Food Pantry as well as the NVN Ministerial Association, both which step in with food and support for the local community when there is a need. The food pantry is administered by the ministerial association and run, primarily, by Pastor Terri Blanchett, with help from local people on the two days a month they are open at the NVN Senior Center.

Blanchett said recently that the need for food for local families has increased and throughout the virus isolation many pre-boxed food items had been delivered by the pantry to individuals and families.

The Ministerial Association supports the community’s needs by helping with electric and heating costs for those in need, as well as supporting those who have a need for gas or trips to a health care center. The needs for all these things have increased over the past three months.

“There would probably be enough to run the food bank for at least two years,” said Wetz. “There would be money to the senior center for more refrigeration to handle vegetables, to the fire department and ambulance for protective equipment and we should be on the way to getting that (funding) soon.”

Some discussion on the status of the city campground just south of the county shop brought about suggestions on what to do with the facility. City Foreman Larry Parker said that three of the seven electrical posts have been compromised and he didn’t know if it was worth putting money into it. He also said there was no water available at the site. Wetz said that a previous conversation with Kurt and Sherry Hocking, who have shown interest in building a senior care facility/ nursing home in the area could possibly use that campground area as a site for the facility.

A complaint was received about an area west of Main Street which was “getting in bad shape” according to Commissioner Allen Youngberg. “We need to send a letter

CITY COMMISSION C6

A Graduation to Remember...



The Newell Class of 2020 didn’t let a little social distancing get in the way of following tradition with a class photo by the marquee. Back row from left: Jake Olsen, Patrick Hamling, Huttson Weeldreyer, Caleb Mutchler, John Jackson, Tucker Gaer, Kai Banks and Will Tim. Front row from left: Evan Gray, Abbie Nelson, Ann-Marie Miller, Jessica Heil, Austin Alexander, Elizabeth Packard, Vanessa Jones, Hunter Wetz and Alejandro Herrera. - Brunner photo

...even if it wasn’t quite what was expected

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NEWELL – It may not have been what they quite expected, but the 17 members of the class of 2020 at Newell high school walked down the gym floor to the sound of pomp and circumstance, one after the other, winding in front of their gathered parents, to their seats.

Superintendent Robin Dutt, in her last official act for the class of seniors, said, “Current events say, ‘You can’t have a graduation.’ The Class of 2020 said, ‘Yes we can.’”

Although there were some differences from previous years, with Dutt opting not to shake the students’ hands and allow them to pick up their own diplomas, she left it up to board chairman Miles Burtzloff whether he shook hands with each student. All of them shook hands and some gave him a big hug.

Valedictorian Jessica Heil spoke with fervor, telling her fellow



The school gave a nod to social distancing with the spacing of chairs and allowing only parents/guardians into Austin Auditorium. But it was still as close to a normal ceremony as they could get, with a traditional march in to the “Pomp and Circumstances” played on Superintendent Robin Dutt’s cell phone and a congratulatory handshake by the board chairman. - Brunner photo

classmates that it was “the little things” they would remember. “Even though this isn’t the graduation I would have imagined, our world has been completely taken over by Covid 19, completely changing every moment we dreamed this would be,” said Heil. “I never dreamed I wouldn’t be able to be surrounded by family and friends who have supported me up to this point.”

Heil said she never thought that, walking through the halls of the high school building two months before graduation, would be the last time she would do that. She spoke of how spring sports were cancelled, her junior prom being her last prom because the senior prom was taken away, and the economy going into the dust.

“These are all things that made the Class of 2020’s graduation unforgettable,” she said. She shared how Lori Johnston, the calculus teacher contacted her at 11 p.m. at night to help Heil with a problem she couldn’t figure out and how that was so different than what she expected the end of her senior year to be. She said she and her fellow classmates persevered through all the online learning and the myriad of “little things” they had to overcome to finish this year.

The salutatorian for the class, Austin Alexander, was not named until Saturday because there was such a close GPA for the top three students. She did not speak at the graduation. Finally the seniors had their diplomas in hand, and walked out of the gym for the final time as a member of NHS, to gather, all together, for a final class photo by the marquee, a final 13-year club (those together from kindergarten through senior year) photo and a time to stand by photo congratulatory signs near the street while family and friends drove by honking and waving.

The class members would not go home to parties where their friends would gather, nor would they enjoy other summertime opportunities to share last moments.

But, as Heil said during her speech, the Class of 2020 will remember the ‘little things’ in this Small Town. (Small Town by John Mellencamp was the class song for the group). The class motto is perfect for this time in these graduates lives: “Together we have experienced life, separately we will pursue our dreams, forever our memories will remain.”

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CITY COMMISSION**

(telling them to clean it up),” said Youngberg.

Municipal elections were set for June 23 at the city hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. People had been encouraged to submit an application for an absentee ballot but the city still has to provide an opportunity for people to vote at the normal location. A special meeting will be held on June 25 to canvas the ballots.

In department head reports, Finance Officer Jen Parrow reminded the commissioners that there was a scheduled blood drive at city hall on May 20. Social distancing will be instituted during the day. For more information, or to sign up to donate, people can call the city at 605-456-2737.

Wetz related that in the absence of the sheriff or a deputy to report on that entity, that there had been a high-speed chase through Newell from the east. There were no injuries and law enforcement handled the situation.

Jessica Brown was named the new Bar Manager. She has been serving in that capacity for some time, due to the departure of former manager Buffy Prince. Brown reported on the mold issue they have been dealing with and that it had been resolved. She had done a new inventory on the bar side and said “every single bottle” had been counted. It amounted to a value of \$13,628.

She also reported that a person from Faith had been driving to Newell every two weeks to purchase alcohol from the liquor store.

“They said it’s cheaper to buy

here than in Faith,” said Brown. A long discussion about opening the library, which was encouraged by both Commissioners Connie Humble and Youngberg, resulted in the concern about being able to properly disinfect the books.

“You can’t disinfect books the same way you can in a grocery or gas station,” said Librarian Lisa Wonderly. “You can’t spray down a book so you have to leave them sit for 72 hours. They don’t get checked back into the system until that has elapsed.”

Humble asked about the process of checking out a book online. “How do people know what’s available?” questioned Humble. Wonderly said she posted pictures of new books on the library Facebook page and that she could log into the Alexandria program to see if the library had a book available if people had a request.

Wetz asked if there was a way for people not to remove books to look at and just see the title if the library was opened and CDC protocols were followed. “Can they see the title just by looking?” he asked.

No decision was made on a timeline to re-open the library and it likely will be closed for the rest of the month of May.

Steve Clooten, who had queried the town on the possibility of putting a tire baling machine at the city rubble site, was back on the agenda with information that the state was “not in favor of this at this time.” He requested the town to look at the possibility of the city garbage building as a potential for the process.

The next regular commissioner meeting will be held June 8.



Congratulations to Austin Alexander on her four-year ROTC scholarship to Chadron State (photo on C7). Also, congratulations to Sherry Hocking on her retirement from service to Ft. Meade Medical Center.

Sunday, May 17

Nisland Independent Community Church will hold regular Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 and the worship service to follow at 10:45, maintaining social distancing practices. They will also continue their livestream broadcast. Newell Evangelical church will continue their regular 10:30 a.m. service as well as a livestream, Vale Community Country Church will once more have services at their regular time.

**Second and fourth Thursdays
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May 19

County Commission meeting 1:30 p.m. TBD

June 6

Second Annual Youth FREE fishing derby at the Frank & Jo Musemici farm ½ m. north of Newell on Highway 79, ½ m. east on county road 184. Ages 3-16, 7:30 a.m. check-in, fish 8-11:30. Early registration via 430-7419. Fun, prizes and free lunch provided. SD GFP approved.

June 23

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

Governor Noem Recognizes Retiring Newell HS Teacher

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NEWELL - May 19, 2020 has been declared “Mrs. J.” Johnston Day by the Gov. Kristi Noem. Delores Johnston has taught at the Newell School District for her entire career of 50 years. According to the gubernatorial proclamation the Newell School Board recognized her value and owes a debt of gratitude to Mrs. J for teaching a multitude of students in Mathematics. Johnston is retiring at the end of the present school year.

The ending of the 2019-2020 school year was wrapped up during the regular school board meeting held May 11 in the Multi-purpose Room with social distancing in place. Superintendent Robin Dutt brought school board members up to date concerning fourth quarter grading and graduation. She said that teachers had discovered that many students had greatly improved the last quarter, however those who had struggled earlier still had difficulties. Dutt thought that teachers should perhaps have to go student by student for fourth quarter grading.

“We need to do what’s best for the kids,” she said. There will be some staff changes in the SPED program for next year. Samantha Heupel will move from High School

SPED to Pre-School and Title I Reading. Jennifer Hesser resigned and will move to another endeavor.

Once again, the school board discussed needing another bus driver. There has been no interest so far in applications. According to Transportation Director Jeremiah Weeldryer, the most difficult part in hiring is finding someone who can work the hours needed, which are mornings and afternoons for about a total of a little over three hours per day. There are four bus routes presently and at least one more driver is needed. Advertising will begin soon, anyone interested should contact the school or check out the school’s website, newell12k.sd.us.

May 19 is scheduled as the last official day of the school year. Laptops, key cards, etc. will be due that day. A schedule is posted on the school’s website.



Delores Johnston was honored by the Newell School Board May 11, 2020 with a Governor’s Proclamation of Mrs. J day. Superintendent Robin Dutt, right, also presented her with a special apple in recognition of her years of dedication to the math program at Newell High School. - *Betty Bruner photo*

Bags to Go

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“I took some bags to be handed out at the food bank on Thursday,” said Whatever it Takes Coalition Director Sabrina Harmon, referring to National Prevention Week bags that will be given to each Newell student when they wrap up the school year on May 18 and 19. “Katie McTaggart, a member of the WIT sponsored, Students Against Destructive Decisions group in the Newell school, helped stuff the bags.”

NPW is May 10 through 16 this year and is a public education platform that promotes prevention year-round through providing ideas, capacity building, tools, and resources to help individuals and communities make substance use prevention happen every day. It culminates in May, recognizing the important work that has been done in communities throughout the year to inspire action and prevent substance use and mental disorders.

The WIT Coalition works hard all year long to prevent substance abuse and promote good decisions with many events and activities both in the school and in the community. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration) SAMHSA’s National Prevention is an organization that supports the local Coalitions in the community, like WIT.

This year’s topics focus on the prevention of opioid misuse, underage drinking, illicit drug use, tobacco use, and suicide.

The Whatever It Takes Coalition has drawstring bags full of Prevention and Educational Information about “How to Keep your Summer Safe”. This includes brochures about tobacco prevention, Be-The-1-SD info,



Katie McTaggart

snacks, toothbrushes donated by Delta Dental, toothpaste donated by WIT, stressballs, pens, notepads and other items. There was also included a copy of the May newsletter put out by the Coalition to better inform parents about WIT.

Earlier there was an NPW Prevention Challenge to encourage students to share where prevention happens. They used three easy steps: fill out your sign, take a selfie with it, and share it on social media. To learn more, go to: <https://www.samhsa.gov/prevention-week/prevention-challenge> “Prevention happens anywhere and everywhere,” said Harmon. “Substance misuse prevention happens in a lot of places, spaces, and communities. That’s why we’re challenging you to take a selfie in the locations/ environment where you are preventing substance misuse & suicide. And, we know that

prevention happens with individuals, groups, organizations, and communities, so your selfie can be by yourself or with a group of people. Just show us where prevention happens in your life.” Some ideas for entering the prevention challenge include: 1) When you decide to take your dog for a walk instead of going to a big party with illegal substance use, 2) When two people discuss their mental health in their living room, 3) When a community talks about the consequences of underage drinking in a real and honest way during a town hall meeting, and 4) When teens share ideas about how to avoid marijuana, e-cigarettes, and pills at parties in a classroom.

May is also Mental Health Month so next week there will be an article on how WIT is helping people to obtain and maintain good mental health.

Newell Community Club Makes Summer Plans

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NEWELL - The Newell Community Club made plans for the summer amid the COVID-19 guidelines. Swimming lessons were cancelled due to the closing of Belle Fourche Rec Center virus concerns, but the Play Days at the Newell Arena are still planned for the summer.

Play Days will begin Monday after Father’s Day, June 22 at 5 p.m. and continue on Mondays until July 13. Participants are encouraged to social distance during the events. Sponsors are needed for the event. If anyone is interested in sponsoring, please see a Community Club member.

Labor Day festivities are in

the planning stages. By then, most members thought that a typical Labor Day should be organized, but other strategies can be discussed, as the day gets closer.

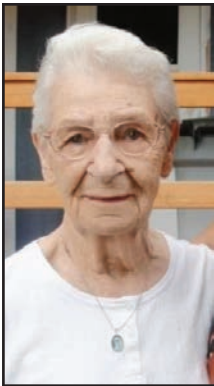
Neil Vollmer, on behalf of the Newell Lions Club, informed members that money has been donated to the NVN area to be used for COVID-19 issues. It must go through a 501c3 organization. The donation is to help area citizens who are struggling due to problems that have arisen because of the virus. Colleen Shriner and Sabrina Harmon were designated as Community Club members on the decision board along with Neil Vollmer and Ken Wetz. There will be more information in the future.

Last month Vivian Sjodin had

approached the club with the idea of returning to the combination of the Festival of Trees and Santa Claus Day. However, after discussion, the group decided that it worked best to keep them separate saying that members thought the children enjoyed separate Santa Claus Day activities.

Dues were set for the year and members were encouraged to invite someone to join. Dues are \$25 per individual, \$50 for families or businesses, and \$100 for arena use per year. It was mentioned that meeting attendance was not mandatory, but many hands make an event go smoother.

The next meeting will be June 1 at 6 p.m.



Happy Birthday to our Wonderful Centennial Grandma Oney Best

She’s been loved & cherished for 100 years on May 18! You all may recognize her and her late husband Bob from their snow cone stand at the local fairs. We all love you, have a wonderful 100th Birthday from The Kern Family!



NHS Class of 2020 - A Graduation to Remember



The traditional Valedictorian/Salutatorian had to wait till just before the ceremony, when the Salutatorian was announced, due to a tight GPA race to the finish. From left: Valedictorian Jessica Heil and Salutatorian Austin Alexander.



The 13-year-club, those seniors who have been together since kindergarten in the Newell school district include: back row from left-Jake Olsen, Huttson Weeldreyer, Caleb Mutchler, John Jackson, Will Tim, Alejandro Herrera. Front row from left-Abbie Nelson, Jessica Heil, Austin Alexander and Vanessa Jones. - Brunner photo

“Together we have experienced life, separately we will pursue our dreams, forever our memories will remain.”



Good friendships will last as is proved by four of the top five members of the class of 2020. All four (from left): Austin Alexander, Caleb Mutchler, Abbie Nelson, and Jessica Heil, graduated Summa Cum Laude. Missing from the photo, but graduating SCL was Huttson Weeldreyer.



In lieu of the regular receiving line in front of the high school building, seniors stood by special signs near the sidewalk to receive congratulatory honks and waves by passersby after the ceremony. It was also a great place for a photo op, like Caleb Mutchler and his parents Danielle and J.D.



Newell school board chairman Miles Burtzlaff, shakes the hand of Salutatorian Austin Alexander. She later opted for a hug as well.

Graduation Photos for the Valley Irrigator by Colleen Brunner

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I cannot forget the people who love me
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And people let me be just what I want to be”
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NVN Memorial Day Services Scheduled



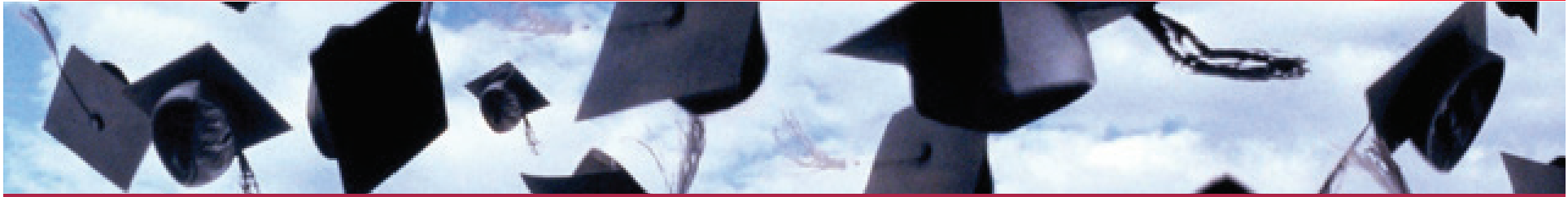
The NVN area is having Memorial Day services at the area cemeteries on Monday, May 25.
Services begin at:
Vale Cemetery at 9:30am
Wilson Cemetery at 10am
Newell Cemetery at 10:30am.
Scheduled speaker is Greg Todd.

CORRECTION
In May 13th's Pastures to Pantries article Larry Stomruds phone number was printed incorrectly. His correct number is: (605) 484-3758.
We apologize for the error.

ROTC Scholarship Recipient



Austin Alexander, right, received a \$50,000 ROTC scholarship to Chadron Community College. She graduated on Saturday from Newell High School and will attend Chadron in the fall. The check was presented by a local Army recruiter. - Courtesy photo



NHS Class of 2020

To the Class of 2020: Seniors You've just accomplished a graduation unlike any in the history of the world. You are the world's future! Keep learning, keep working, and keep accomplishing. Congratulations.
All of our businesses are proud of all of you!

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Newell Service Center
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