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Corrections to Belle Fourche Town Hall Meeting story, July 12, 2023

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Please note and accept the following corrections to Belle Fourche Town Hall Meeting story that ran in the July 12, 2023 edition of the Belle Fourche Beacon.

Mr. Mason's first name should have been written as Jordan, not Jason.

It also would be correct to state, Mr. Vig is a member of Meade 46-1 School Board.

The reference to the website to check out Open Meetings refers to a guide found at agt.sd.gov.

It is not the website for Codified Law for Open Meetings which is found at sdlegislature.gov.

The guide is written for a clearer understanding of the Codified Law and can be used as a source for the public.

All Night Softball Lights!



July 14 & 15 was the 38th Belle Fourche All Nighter Softball Tournament. It started 8pm Friday night and ended at 2 pm the next day. This is the longest running softball tournament in the West River and the only all night softball tournament still going. **Clark Sowers** and **Jack Ward** started the tournament in 1985. It was originally held in conjunction with Crazy Days. *Courtesy Photo*

New Director of Equalization

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BELLE FOURCHE – Business at the Butte County Commission included the swearing in of Cristina Wilson as Director of Equalization. Donna Jones had handed in her resignation from the position at the June 20, 2023 Commission. Meeting with an effective date of September 30, 2023. Wilson takes on the position immediately.

In another decision resulting from Executive Session, the commissioners voted to take “intermediate step” to address some conduct at the Butte County Administration building on July 6, 2023.

Several Final Plats were granted by the commission. Included in the decisions were Kindsfater Farms, LLC; Dennis and Sharon Freed, Troy and Jacque Hight, and for Santa Maria Land and Cattle Corp. A surety bond was set for Santa Maria Land and Cattle Corp.

Kindsfater Farms’ plat is Tract Z, being a portion of Tract 4 located in the NE4 and the NW4 of Section 12, T8N, R2E, BHM, Butte County.

The Freed plat is a subdivision of Tract A located in the W2SE4 of Section 32, T9N, R3E, BHM, Butte County.

Hight’s plat is a subdivision

of Tract 6 revised, Lots 1 and 2. subdivision of SE4NW4 of Section 3, T7N, R2E, BHM Butte County.

The Final Plat for owner Santa Maria Land and Cattle Corp is the Robinson Subdivision, Lots 1-4, a subdivision of W2/3SW4 less Hwy 35 ROW and less tracts C and S; located in N2SW4 of Section 20, T8N, R1E, BHM Butte County.

A \$20,000 Surety Bond set for Santa Maria Land and Cattle Corp, Buckhorn Estates, Lots 1-8, a subdivision of the NE4, SE4, NW4 and Tract WD60 which is located in Section 28, T8N, R1E BHM Butte County. The reason for the Surety Bond is that an inspection is required after a road is constructed.

Dennis Lindskov’s request for construction of an approach from the Sourdough Road and Gray Road intersection. The reason for the request is to gain access to the west end of his building.

Several applications for BIG improvements were approved by the commission, including the 2024 application for BIG funds for a bridge over Spur Creek on Old Hwy. 85, a bridge over Dry Creek at 184th St., and a rehabilitation/replacement at Gaver Road, which is a historical bridge.

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1st place: Thomas Electric, Spearfish; 2nd place: RedTail Express, Lower Brule, and 3rd place: Mighty Jrs., Belle Fourche.

Thomas Electric players left to right: Back row: **Tel Johnson, Donovan Balsley, Jeremy Henwood, Al Cook, Rance Sivertsen, Tyrell Rosencranz**; Front row: **Jaxon Rosencranz, Joe Guttierrez, Barry Pettersen, Jordan Johnson**, (Dog – Buckwheat), & **Devon Fox**; Not pictured: **Sheldon Tveidt, TJ Cazer**.

Tuppers 2023 Fair Honorees

Reprinted from Butte Lawrence Cty. Fair Book

The harmonic relationship between two people managing an ag based establishment while instilling the same values in their four children is one to be recognized.

This year the Butte/Lawrence County Fair honors Justin and Brooke Tupper, co-owners an full-time managers of St. Onge Livestock, St. Onge, South Dakota.

Justin initially met Brooke while working at her uncle’s feedlot in Kimball, SD, with a few times at the Pukwana Dance Hall together and the rest would go down in history.

Justin’s dad owned the sale barn in Wessington Springs since before Justin was born, in 1986 the family purchased the barn in Kimball, SD. Justin graduated from Kimball High School and would continue to work at the sale barn for much of his young adult life. When asked how he became a self taught auctioneer, he said, “he sold a lot of fence posts and drove his brothers nuts on the way to and from school every day.”

In 2007 while working at the Kimball sale barn, Justin was presented the opportunity to manage the St. Onge Sale Barn. At that point they took a leap of faith while their kids were still young. Brooke left her job of working for a telephone company and their children would begin attending school at Belle Fourche.

They have continued to live, work, and support their community ever since.

Justin and Brooke joined several others and became shareholders in 2007. Since then they continue to be full time man-

agers and part owners. They attribute most of their success to being service oriented business by taking outstanding care of their customers and assisting them to get the most out of their livestock.

When customers come to town the Tuppers strive to ensure that their experience selling livestock is one of the best one. For as long as Justin can remember his family has been involved in the sale barn business, and he would like to thank his dad Wayne for the opportunities and patience for letting him grow up in the business.

The passion to work with people and continue on the family legacy has stuck with him since he was a kid.

Brooke’s experience in the ag industry started early in life; her father was an extension agent in Colorado and Nebraska. The family raised purebred Berkshire hogs, in which they would sell in regional and national shows.

Her mother served two terms on the national meat board when Brooke was young. Her mom joined the extension staff in South Dakota and later on

served and retired in Perkins County.

Along with working for her uncle at his feedlot she had roots in Kimball where her family was originally from. Brooke would later on fill the position of Office Manager at SOL to work beside her husband. Brooke was asked to fill the position temporarily when the office manager left in 2011, and has been there ever since, “which was supposed to be temporary role,” jokes Justin.

One of the constant challenges the Tuppers face in the market is the price discovery presented on almost a weekly basis.

Through the years many other challenging factors presented themselves, such as weather, with Storm Atlas being the most memorable. For a barn to hold 10,000 head of cattle, it takes a lot of time and manpower to dig it out, Justin recalled.

St. Onge Livestock has about 9 full time employees and 75 to 90 come sale time.

The Tuppers would like to thank the hard work of their employees, customers, and local community for pitching in over the years.



Cristina Wilson was sworn in as Director of Equalization by Auditor **Annie Capp**. *Bruner Photo*

Free Keil Sweet Corn Feed Sat. July 29th From 11:30-2:00

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Come enjoy a free meal of Keil Sweet corn and Lynn’s Deli pulled pork sandwiches and Cole Slaw.

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The lunch will be served from 11:30 to 2:00, or until the food runs out.

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We will be recognizing the BF VFW Teener team who last weekend placed 3rd in the State Tournament in Elk Point.



Justin and Brooke Tupper



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Bradley Allen Schreiber 65

Bradley (Brad) Allen Schreiber, 65, went home to be with Jesus on Sunday, July 16, 2023 surrounded by his family after a short battle with TPLL (T-Cell) Leukemia.

A prayer service will be held at 5pm on Sunday, July 23, 2023 at Community Bible Church in Pierre. The family will be available to greet guests for one hour prior to the prayer service. Immediately following the prayer service, the family will be leaving to attend a private family event and will not be available.

A celebration of life service will be at 10:30am on Monday, July 24, 2023 at the church. For those unable to attend the services they will be live streamed on his obituary page at www.isburgfuneralchapels.com. Isburg Funeral Chapels of Pierre has been placed in care of the arrangements.

Bradley Allen Schreiber was born on June 8, 1958 in Pierre, SD to Marion and Lola (Allen) Schreiber. Brad spent his childhood on a farm west of Agar, SD and attended school in Agar, graduating from Agar High School in 1976.

Following graduation, Brad attended Huron College where he enjoyed playing on the college basketball team. He enjoyed the many friendships and camaraderie that formed during his years at Huron College. Following his graduation from Huron College, he worked as a patrol officer with the Pierre SD Police Department. Brad returned to the University of South Dakota to study law, graduating with a Juris Law Degree in 1988. Brad practiced law in Belle Fourche until he moved his practice to Pierre in 2008.

Brad enjoyed Marshall Arts. He was a member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and Ducks Unlimited. He served as a law clerk for the 1st Judicial Circuit from 1988-1989; he was a Law Clerk to the South Dakota Supreme Court from 1989-1990; he



served on the South Dakota State Bar Board of Commissions; from 2002-2003 he served as the President of the South Dakota Trial Lawyers Association; he was a member of the South Dakota Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and the National College of DUI Defense; he was also a member of the Community Bible Church. In 2020 Brad was awarded the South Dakota Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

On May 31, 2008, Brad married Christal (Chris) Zabel. Brad and Chris enjoyed riding motorcycles, spending time at their cabin in the Black Hills but most of all, they enjoyed their time with their kids and grandkids as well as extended family and friends. Brad loved to play guitar and could be found playing his guitar every day after work. He led many sing a longs with the Zabel family including the bantering and endless laughter that accompanied those gatherings. Brad had a heart and personality bigger than life and in his humble manner, he looked out for others until the moment he went home to be with Jesus.

Brad leaves a legacy of being a strong spiritual leader, husband, father, son, brother, uncle and friend. He is survived by his wife Christal; daughter Lyndsay (Andrew Norton) Schreiber, Asher & Aiden Heinzerling; sons Erich Schreiber, Alec (Megan) Espeland, Stetson & Wyatt, Brayden (Courtney) Espeland & Stella, and Camden (Britney Hicks) Espeland; mother Lola Schreiber; brother Shawn (Connie) Schreiber; father and mother-in-law Cam and Jan Zabel; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Cindy & Kevin Stoick, Vonnice & Gary Reuer, and Lana & Waylon Grout as well as many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.



Larry Neil Knutson 78

Larry Neil Knutson, 78, of Vale, South Dakota, passed away July 16, 2023 at the University of Colorado Medical Center of the Rockies, Loveland, Colorado.

Larry was the first born to Allan and Clara (Weyrich) Knutson. He was born in Deadwood, SD, on June 30, 1945. He attended various schools including Marcus, Bear Butte Valley, Empire and graduated from Vale High School in 1963.

During his high school years, he sold his Shetland pony so he could buy his first car, a yellow Ford Fairlane. Also, during his high school years, he worked for a neighbor, Ray Murray, performing various duties. This was the start of his love for farming.

In 1965 he was drafted into the US Army. He served one year overseas during the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged in 1967.

Larry married Dona (the Love of his life) Philipsen in December 1968. To this union three children were born; Deon, Theresa, and Allan.

In 1975 Larry wanted to "Live the American Dream" and become a farmer. Times were pretty challenging during the 1980's, but he lowered his head and attacked it straight on! He raised wheat, alfalfa, corn and small grains. He tried raising hogs for a time, but soon gave that idea up and went to sheep and cattle. Farming 2,400 acres became labor intensive, but thanks to his wife and three kids, he was able to fulfill his dream.



Larry served on the Butte County ASCS board for several years. He was also active in the VFW at Newell. Most recently he was the president of the Vale Community Club.

Larry is survived by his wife of 54 years, Dona of Vale, SD; sons, Deon (Doranna) of Vale, Allan (Becky) of Keystone, SD, and daughter, Theresa (Brian) of Rapid City, SD; brothers, Jerry (Joelen) of Sundance, WY and Dale (Gail) of Vale; sisters, Janet (Robert) of Sturgis, SD, Darlene of Sturgis, Kathy (Greg) of Vale, and Shirley of Arizona; grandchildren, Rachel, Devon, Wyatt, Kally, and Seth; four extended grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Allan and Clara; his wife's parents, Raymond and Rachel; infant brother, Tommy; Brother-in-law, Arlie Mullins; and sister-in-law, Lois "Cookie" Knutson.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 25, 2023. Burial, with military honors, was at Black Hills National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials have been established to the Vale Fire Department, Vale Cemetery, and the Vale Community Club.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



Thomas Ray Johnson Jr. 45

Thomas Ray Johnson Jr. age 45 of Belle Fourche died at his home July 14, 2023.

Thomas was born July 10, 1978 in Ft. Lewis, WA to Thomas and Deborah Johnson. He graduated in 1996 from Sunnyside High School in Washington State. He worked with his father for the Sportfisher Orchard in Sunnyside, WA and for the Spring Creek Orchard in Mabton, WA.

Thomas married Rebecca Weaver January 29, 2000. To this marriage Thomas Johnson III was born August 2000 and Sean Patrick Johnson was born July 2001. He was a "stay at home" Dad taking care of the kids. He was an avid World of Warcraft game player.

Grateful for sharing his life are his father, Thomas (Twila) Johnson of Fruitdale, SD; his wife, Rebecca Rae Johnson of Dusen, LO; children, Thomas

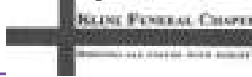


Ray Johnson III of Dusen, LO and Sean Patrick Johnson of Belle Fourche; his brother, Charles Johnson of Fruitdale, SD; half- brother, Adam Johnson Sunnyside, WA; step-sisters, Jeannine (Justin) Gibson of Ellendale, ND and Julie (Jordan) Hunt of Gillette, WY and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Deborah Johnson and step-brother, Jeremy Donald.

A private family gathering will be held at the Thomas (Twila) Johnson residence in Fruitdale.

Arrangements are under the care of Kline Funeral Chapel in Belle Fourche. An online guest book is available at <http://klinefuneralchapel.com>



Pastor's Perspective

"Love, faithfulness, and forgiveness"



We are to be devoted to God and united to one another and we easily mess that up. The story of Isaac and Rebekah is the story of love, faithfulness and forgiveness and the intersection of several faith journeys.

God was faithful to Abraham and his faithfulness extends to the generations after him. Isaac was in his forties. His mother, Sarah, died. Isaac and Ishmael buried her. Abraham knows that Isaac needed a wife, but someone with a shared background. Abraham sends his servant to get a wife for Isaac; requiring she's from Abraham's distant family. Abraham is very clear that the servant may not take Isaac with him, but he does take other servants, 10 camels and many assorted gifts including gold jewelry and textiles showing the families prosperity and faith.

After a journey of 850 miles, Hebron to Mesopotamia, 20 to 30 days by camel, the people and the camels are ready for water and a rest. Gathering water from the well was work. The jars were heavy, much heavier when retrieving them filled. When the servant asks Rebekah for a drink, she offered them water but she also offered to water the camels. The water jug estimated at 3 to 5 gallons. A gallon of water weighs about 8 pounds plus the weight of the container. Each jug could be 25 to 50 pounds. In about 10 to 15 minutes a camel can drink 25 to 30 gallons of water. That's eight jugs of water for each camel; 10 camels or 80 jugs of water. Rebekah was

offering a considerable amount of work.

When Rebekah tells the servant who her family is, the servant gives her jewelry that is about a pound of gold and asks for hospitality for the group and the camels at her home. Her family will have something to say, when she brings the group to stay and be feed along with 10 smelly, stinky camels into her home. The servant asks to take Rebekah to be the wife for his master. The family wants to keep her with them for 10 days but the servant wants to leave right away. The family asks Rebekah if she will go and without hesitation she agrees to leave with them. She was willing to travel to a new and unfamiliar destination. She has shown herself to be gracious, caring, generous, decisive, and sensitive to other's needs and willing to take risks.

When the group returns to Hebron, Isaac takes Rebekah into Sarah's tent and makes her his wife. Taking Rebekah into Sarah's tent is more than making her his wife; it sets Rebekah as the new matriarch of the family. This is the first story in the bible to mention love as part of marriage.

God's love and passion for his people offers us rest and revitalizing not just for the body but for the soul. God offers us His love and acceptance just as we are, even if we're the stinky, tired, dirty camel driver or someone who appears to have their act all together, but doesn't. God is there with His love story.

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Louise Reade' St. James Episcopal Church

Final Hometown Thursday will feature chalk artist on the museum grounds



Jimi Lyn Josephson

Hometown Thursday will conclude on July 27th at the Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center in Belle Fourche with an appearance by chalk artist Jimi Lyn Josephson. She will be at the museum at 6 p.m. and work with children on the creation of chalk art.

Born and raised in the Black Hills, Josephson studied art and education at the University of Wyoming, then taught high school art for 16 years.

“We had Jimi here for a Family Fun Day about chalk art, and I thought it would be great fun to bring her back on a Hometown Thursday,” said Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center Director Kristi Thielen. “She can teach kids about chalk art, using our many sidewalks around the complex as their

‘canvas,’ and really add something extra to the final night of this great event.”

Kids who want to learn about chalk art and do some artwork with Jimi are encouraged to arrive at 6 p.m. There is no fee for participation.

The July 27th Hometown Thursday will feature Chelsey Dee and Company on the performance stage. There will also be beer sales, food vendors, community-related information tables plus a craft table, corn hole, lawn games, face painting, a bounce house and train rides.

For more information about the chalk art and other events for Hometown Thursday, call 605-723-1200.

The Northern Hills Band performs at Herrmann Park on July 26



Northern Hills Band marching in Days of 76 Parade.

The Northern Hills Band will perform at Herrmann Park on Wednesday, July 26 at 7 p.m. The concert is sponsored by the Belle Fourche Arts Council and there is no admission charge for attendance.

Concert goers are encouraged to bring a blanket or seating for the event; a free-will donation for the Belle Fourche Arts Council is taken during the concert. Ice cream is available by donation.

In the event of rain, the concert will be held at the Rec Center at 1111 National Street in Belle.

This is the final concert of the year for the Arts Council’s “Concerts in the Park” series. For more information about the Belle Fourche Arts Council and its programming, call 605-723-1200.

Belle Fourche FFA Attends West River Leadership Camp

Wyatt Lesmeister
FFA Reporter

Storm Mountain — The Belle Fourche FFA Chapter attended the annual Leadership Retreat July 12 - 15, at Storm Mountain Center in Rapid City, SD. Our 10 chapter officers attend the camp themed, “Into the Safari; Imagine, Explore, Discover.” During the camp we learned about 6 different aspects of leadership; service, integrity, communication, perseverance, teamwork, and having a growth mindset. These aspects helped to develop and enhance our leadership skills and self-confidence which we will use to bring our chapter to the next level this next year. While learning about service we went and volunteered at the Central States Fairgrounds by helping cleanup

the grounds.

The retreat was directed by the 2023-2024 State FFA Officers: President, Alyssa Feather, Wilmot; Vice President, Dustin Kolb, Belle Fourche; Secretary, Raesa Zelinsky, Brookings; Treasurer, Gretta Larson, Lake Preston; Reporter, Gabrielle Rebelein, Sioux Valley; and Sentinel, Emily Robbins, Elkton. Retreat staff also included Tori Dvorak, Scotland; and Taylor Tennant, Gettysburg; SD FFA Ambassadors and National FFA Central Region Vice President Karstyn Cantrell.

Scholarships for some of our officers to attend were sponsored by: Walt Johnson Memorial and the AmericInn in Belle Fourche.

The Belle Fourche FFA Chapter is a student run orga-

nization in the Belle Fourche High School.

It is part of the South Dakota FFA Association, a statewide organization of 5,668 agricultural education students in 110 chapters in every corner of South Dakota, and the National FFA Organization, a national youth organization of 760,113 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 8,612 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Our mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Visit www.ffa.org for more information.



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From A1 County

The next bridge project will be the bridge over Spur Creek.

Public Comments were held at the end of the meeting and were met with several comments that the agenda item should once again be placed at the beginning of the meeting. Having the process at the end of the meeting causes many comments to be moot and irrelevant.

Sue Broadhurst commented that she wondered if Butte County was the only public meeting that had Public Comments at the end of the meeting.

Laura Bennett addressed undesirable weeds at the property near her property at 1310 National in Belle Fourche. She has contacted the county highway department, but has not had any concrete answers. The commissioners explained that it was the land owner’s responsibility to spray weeds. Commissioner James Ager said that he would speak to Highway Superintendent Duane Heidrich and see what could be done. The owner of the land does not live in Belle Fourche.

“Where do you draw the line?” asked Dale Simanton. He was speaking to the idea of a Nuisance Ordinance in Belle Fourche that would include a three-mile radius around the city. He said that could only be the beginning, soon it may include the rest of the county.

Travis Ismay encouraged the commissioners to view two documentaries about cannabis. They are Smoke Screen and Chronic State. He also said that

he thought he had done more research about marijuana that Sheriff Fred Lamphere had done. He correlated the regulation of marijuana to regulation of corn crops.

During New Business, Commissioner Karrol Herman shared her concerns over an E-mail that had been received at the Auditor’s Office inviting the Commissioners to a Town Hall Meeting held July 5 in Belle Fourche. The meeting was hosted by Concerned Citizens of Butte County.

Herman gave several reasons for the commissioners not attending the Town Hall meeting, which included posts on Social Media. She read from the E-mail addressed to the commissioners, stating that it was probably the main reason for not attending the Town Hall function.

The E-mail read as follows: “We’ll be having our white hood ceremony at 6. Lynching at 6:30 and cross burning at 7.” The end was followed by three laughing emojis.

“I do not think this is anything to joke about or laugh about,” Herman said. “It’s not funny at all.”

Ismay answered her statements by saying that it was meant as a joke and that the commissioners needed to understand the “humor” behind the E-mail.

Committee reports were given by the commissioners.

Commissioner Paul Erk gave information about the upcoming Butte-Lawrence County Fair. He had found out that mosquito spraying at the fairgrounds is done by the City of Belle Fourche. The Fair Board has requested that the commissioners again include \$2,500 for repairs in the 2024 budget.

Commissioner Frank Walton reported that he had attended the Economic Development meeting and a Housing Committee meeting. Butte County has a great need for housing. He said that even Governor houses have become expensive-around \$300,000- and seem to no longer be affordable alternatives.

Double Star Computing will be setting up individual E-mails for the commissioners. The commissioners are to let the auditor know if they will be using the county E-mails so that she can update the website.

The next County Commission meeting will be August 1 at 9 a.m. in the Butte County Courthouse.



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The Belle Fourche Bronc Booster Club has created a full-color activity program BOOKLET for the 2023-2024 school year! We will include **ALL SPORTS & ACTIVITIES** for BFHS! **This will be an ALL ENCOMPASSING project!**

Your support of this project will help us continue to grow and support the Bronc Booster Club and Belle Fourch High School Activities Dept.

The program will provide sports fans and BFHS activity goers with student information, schedules and photos for **ALL BFHS SPORTS & ACTIVITIES!** This includes **FINE ARTS!**

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During Every Rose Has Its Thorn, emotion weighs heavily on the faces and body language of club goer (**Carston Sechser**), Stacy Jaxx (**Jerry Kennedy**), club goer (**Jonathan Tinsley**), Venus DJ (**Michael Meemken**), dancer (**Heather Pittman**), club goer (**Joel Edgar**), Drew (**Derek Flick**), Hertz Klinemann (**Nathan Thompson**), and Lonny (**Nathan Schreier**).



Stacy Jaxx (**Jerry Kennedy**) attempts to hide behind Lonny (**Nathan Schreier**) during Renegade. In the background, Joey Primo (**Whitney Bridgers**) finds Stacy's predicament

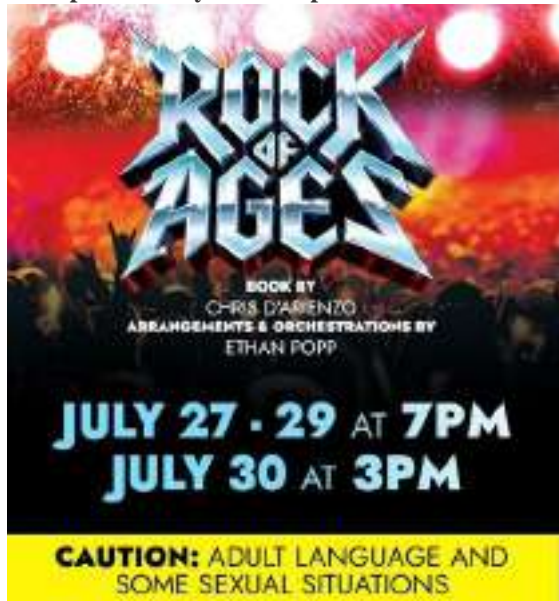


Dancer (**Hilary White**) the bartender (**Becca Lee**) and Joey Primo (**Whitney Bridgers**), have very different reactions as Sherrie (**Maegan Detlefs**) listens to Justice's (**Anna Robinson**) advice.

Show Up

by Belle LaVenue

It's the "Final Countdown" to this weekend's performance of **Rock of Ages!** So tease your hair, grab some leather, neon leg warmers, or parachute pants, and **SHOW UP** to this gnarly show! Hope to see you singing along at the "The Bourbon Room" aka Belle Fourche Rec Center Theater **July 27- 29 at 7pm and July 30th at 3pm.**



Additional concerts in the park include be sure to attend the next concert – **Northern Hills Band on Wednesday, July 26.**

Come audition for BFACT's next show, a night of one-act plays, with other local theaters! Auditions will be held on August 4th at 6 - 8pm and August 5 at 4 - 6pm in the Rec Center Auditorium. You don't need to bring anything for auditions, just yourself. If you have any questions, or are unable to make the audition date but still want to audition, feel free to message director@bellefourcheact.com or call 605.645.7325 to set up an alternative time.

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Mark your calendar with these upcoming events:

July27th: Hometown Thursdays @ 6:30 - featuring, Chelsea Dee & Co. on 7/27.

July 26th - Northern Hills Band Concert in Herrmann Park at 7 PM, Sponsored by BF Arts Council

July 27th, Hometown Thursdays @ 6:30 - featuring Chelsey Dee & Co.

July 27th-30th:Rock of Ages the musical, a BFACT (Belle Fourche Area Community Theater) Production. Thursday-Saturday @ 7 PM, Sunday @ 3 PM.

August 5th: First Sunday Brunch "The Music of Hank Williams" with at the Tri-State Museum and Visitors Center, 10 AM - Reservation required, call 605-723-1200.

August 26th - BFACT Presents Getting Our Acts Together - the multi-theater one act performance.

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



Sherrie (**Maegan Detlefs**) is not at all impressed with Justice's (**Anna Robinson**) directive to dance for Stacy Jaxx (**Jerry Kennedy**), in spite of the wad of cash involved. *Courtesy Photos*



A hilarious scene to watch, the slow motion fight between protestors and riot cops is a cast favorite in which to act as well! Here, Regina (**Kaitlyn Thompson**) seems to have been on the very distant receiving end of riot cop's (**Carston Sechser**) slug.



Club goers (**Becky Tinsley, Stacy Collins, and Pasiensia Lockman**) think deeply as they listen to Dennis' (**Paul Wishard**) words of wisdom. Arsenal guitarist (**Cheyenne Pitt**), dancer (**Hilary White**), Joey Primo (**Whitney Bridgers**), and bartender (**Becca Lee**) aren't quite so sure.

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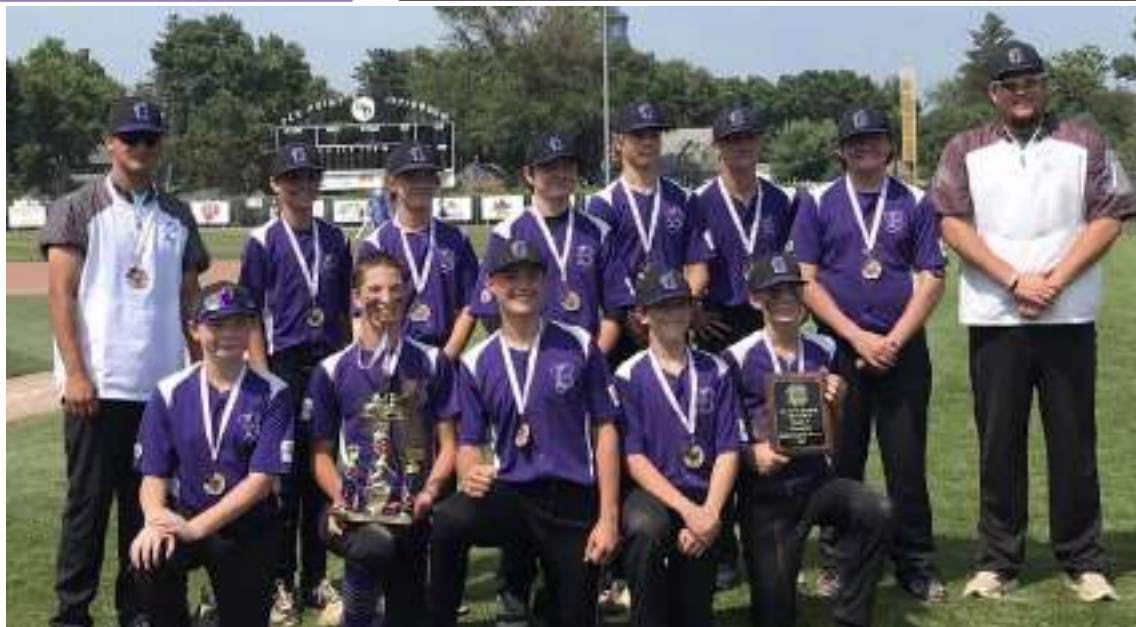
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The Bronc 14 and under Teeners Beat Tea Area 10-7 to finish 3rd at the SD VFW State Tournament in Elk Point over the weekend. Front (L to R): Trevor Welles, Caeyn Howard, Raif Parmeter, Tate Thomsen, Carsyn Hahne; Back (L to R): Coach Cade Ostenson, Tatum Martin, Graham Vanderboom, Liam Hamilton, Trig Thomsen, Tegan Fredericksen, Urijah Hamilton, Coach Randy Doran. Courtesy Photo

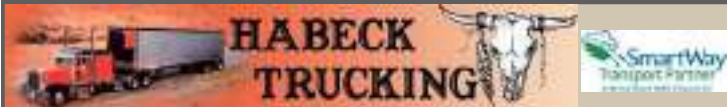
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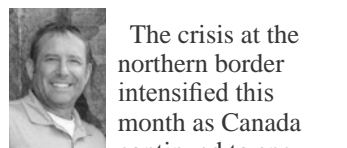
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The Scouting Report:A weekly digest

Jonathan Ellis
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The crisis at the northern border intensified this month as Canada continued to spew wildfire smoke into the United States. Smoke-filled skies greeted South Dakotans on what has otherwise been a pleasant month. Through mid-July, the average high temperatures in the area were about 4 degrees below their normal, according to the National Weather Service.

But the Canadian smoke menace has forced some to stay indoors and curtailed other activities. NWS issued air quality warnings for the Upper Great Plains.

As of mid-July, the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Center was reporting 881 active fires in the country, with 577 of those out of control. Fires have burned about 25 million acres. So far this year, 4,157 fire starts have been reported in Canada, more than the 10-year average. The largest number of Canadian fires in any calendar year since 1980 came in 1989, when there were 10,998 wildfire starts.

The Canadian wildfires have likely been bad news for nest predators. But in South Dakota, those predators have bounty

hunters to contend with. One of Gov. Kristi Noem's first programs when she entered office was the Nest Predator Bounty Program. Now in its fifth year, the program offers a bounty for predators trapped during nesting seasons in the spring and summer. The season runs March 1-July 1 for residents under 18 and April 1-July 1 for all residents. The goal is to reduce the number of animals, such as raccoons and skunks, that feast on pheasant, duck and other game birds.

This year, a total of 50,552 predator tails were submitted for bounties, the Game, Fish & Parks Department reports, which was slightly more than the 50,000 set limit.

Of the 2,481 participants, 46 percent were under 18, a record number of youth participants, according to GF&P. Overall, participation was up 5 percent.

First-time youth bounty hunters received free traps from the department when they submitted tails.

"It is very exciting to see the next generation out trapping and getting involved in wildlife management," said Department Secretary Kevin Robling. "Youth participation continues to increase each year of the program, and we are so proud to see more youth and families getting outdoors."



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ers may be taken to the fairgrounds beginning at 8:00 a.m. on July 29.
Fondue for Youth, hosted by Redwater Youth Leadership Fund and Belle Fourche FFA Alumni Association will be held on July 29 at the Black Hills Roundup Grounds in Belle Fourche beginning at 6:00 p.m. The event will have a cash bar and music.
Please contact the extension office (605-892-3371) or Holly Main (605-210-0020) to

purchase tickets. Proceeds from this event benefit Leadership Opportunities and Scholarships for Butte and Lawrence County Youth.
Those interested in participating on a state team for CDM and/or Horticulture please contact the County Extension Office.
Must be available on Friday, September 2 for the Horticulture Skill-a-Thon Contest or Sunday, September 4 for the CDM Skill-a-Thon.
Registration for the Fall State Shoot will open Tuesday, August 1.
There will be a Butte Lawrence County Fair Board Meeting on Monday, August 7 at 6:30 p.m. at First Interstate Bank in Belle Fourche.
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September 15th – Yearling & Fall Calf Special – Selling All Classes
September 22nd – Regular Sale – Selling All Classes
September 29th – Regular Sale – Selling All Classes
October 6th – Spring Calf Special – Selling All Classes
Friday, October 13th – Spring Calf Special
Saturday, October 14th – 1st Saturday Weigh Up Sale
Friday, October 20th – Spring Calf Special
Saturday, October 21st – Bred Cow & Weigh Up Special
Wednesday, October 25th – 1st Wednesday Spring Calf Special
Friday, October 27th – Spring Calf Special
Saturday, October 28th – Weigh Up Sale
Wednesday, November 1st – Spring Calf Special
Friday, November 3rd – Spring Calf Special
Saturday, November 4th – Bred Cow Special
Friday, November 10th – Spring Calf Special
Saturday, November 11th – Weigh Up Sale
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Saturday, November 25th – Annual Thanksgiving Bred Heifer & Stock Cow Special

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Friday, July 28th – Weston County, Newcastle, WY – 6 pm
Saturday, July 29th – Meade County, Sturgis, SD – 3:30 pm
Saturday, July 29th – Crook County, Sundance, WY – 5 pm
Friday, August 4th – Butte-Lawrence County, Nisland, SD – 7 pm
Saturday, August 12th – Carter County, Ekalaka, MT – 3:30 pm
Saturday, August 19th – Fallon County, Baker, MT – 4:30 pm
Saturday, August 19th – Harding County, Camp Crook, SD – 2 pm

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by Jim Thompson



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It's about time I acknowledged the many readers who have mailed me or called me or texted me regarding my stroke in April. At last count 12 states are listed as responding to my "I'm gonna have to stop the Good Stuff column". My stroke happened shortly after getting back to the Black Hills from our winter home in Mesa, AZ. My right arm and hand were numb for a while and I felt I would to train myself to use my left hand for writing and eating. And the typewriter for the Good Stuff column? Didn't seem possible so I thought it time to retire. The first response was from an Iowa reader with roots in the DeSmet, SD area. She would read my words in the Kingsbury Journal to a blind neighbor and asked me to "please keep going".

Sitting at my typewriter in tears re-reading all the notes, I'm Jim Thompson.

That plus my hand improved enough to feel confident to continue. Since then I have gotten mail from many readers including: Vera from Cheyenne, Wyo. a Belle Fourche native who found the "Beacon" on line. From Janice in Ft Collins, Colo who grew up in Lake Preston, SD.. Thanks to Pete and Barb who assured me that snail mail was alive..from long time friends Darrell and Joanne who reminded me that they were praying for me. From Bill and Lisa who live west of Newell, SD who "always look for the column in Beacon" and from Thorval and Janet who sent me a copy of Reader's Digest "Laughter, the best medicine". Many others too numerous to include. Thank you for the encouragement. My therapy has gone well, my life is returning to a new normal, and God continues to bless me.

South Dakota ag income predicted to fall, but farmers remain optimistic

by Abbey Stegenga
(South Dakota News Watch)

Farmers in South Dakota and across the U.S. will likely take home less income this year because of increasing input costs and decreasing commodity prices. However, halfway through the growing season, some are optimistic the state could have a good year if the weather cooperates. "We're relying on rain throughout the growing season, but for right now, it's so far, so good. If we continue to get rains, we should have a pretty good crop," said Glenn Storm, who grows corn and soybeans east of Corsica. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's 2023 Farm Income Forecast from February said it expects net farm income to drop nationwide by \$30.5 billion in inflation-adjusted dollars in 2023. Net farm income reflects an operation's income after production expenses from the year have been subtracted. However, this year's projected net cash farm income is almost \$29 billion above the 2002-2021

average.

More from News Watch: Age of South Dakota farmers rise – along with land and input costs For the Northern Great Plains, the USDA forecasts a 12% drop in net cash income for farm businesses. The predicted decrease would follow 2022's record high forecasted net cash farm income of \$195.3 billion. Crop prices surged around the country last year after Russia invaded Ukraine, one of the world's top agricultural producers. "There's always challenges that farmers and ranchers face across our state, and one of the best things that our producers do is step up to those challenges and find ways to overcome them," said Heather Gessner, a livestock business management field specialist at South Dakota State University Extension. Income's fate depends on production With a recent decline in corn and soybean prices, stable production could help net farm income levels remain steady throughout 2023, Gessner said.

"On an individual basis, (net farm income) is probably going to vary quite a bit. But as a whole, we'll probably be somewhere in that normal type of range," Gessner said. Both Gessner and Dave Schriever, vice president at First National Bank in Philip, in western South Dakota, said it's too early in the season to know if the net farm income for South Dakota will see a decrease this year. "If production is good and the price is lower, you can still have a pretty good gross profit. The worst thing that can happen is if prices are low and you're in the part of the country where production is weak. It's kind of a double whammy then," Schriever said.



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Central Meade County News



By Sandy Rhoden

The landscape is likely to look a lot different a week from now due to much warmer temperatures this week and the lack of rain. There really is no moisture predicted but one never knows when a thunderstorm might pop up. The grasshoppers seem to be thriving and growing in size. Hopefully, the numbers will halt as they were supposed to with the spraying. We should know if that was effective in the weeks ahead.

Lorie and Gary Hausmann joined Larry and Sandy Rhoden for lunch after church at Nellie’s in Enning. Jack Setter and Darrel Wilcox had lunch there

as well as Deb and Lyle Wilcox and some of their family. As far as we know the business there in Enning is still up for sale.

August 16 is the date set for the 10th Annual Cammack Ranch Supply Ranch Rodeo. This event has proven to be a fun event over the years so they continue once again putting it on. Teams should be entered soon and may call Melissa at 605-515-0165. There is a limit of 12 teams and it typically fills up quickly. The cost is \$200 per team. They also will be hosting their kids’ rodeo. All entries to this rodeo are free and is called the Ranch Boss Rodeo that begins that day at 9:00 am. They will award prizes to 4th place and all around in each division. Age as of the rodeo date on August 16 apply. Entries are due on August 14. Again, for questions call Melissa at 605-515-0165.

Next Sunday, July 30 will be the 130 Year Celebration for White Owl, SD it will begin with the Old Timers’ Round Table at 10:00am. At 12:00

Noon there will be a free-will lunch served as well as a Tur of White Owl. At 2:00 there will be a parade. They are still taking entries and one may call Jodi Shaw to enter at 605-515-0325. At 3:00pm there will be a time for White Owl History Stories. At 5:00 pm there’s a Jam Session. So bring your own lawn chair and some cash as there will be concessions served by the Marcus 4-H Club. This will be a great community event and a time to share some reat history from the middle of Meade County.

Vacation Bible School will take place from Monday, July 31 to Thursday, August 3 for children ages 5 and up at the Community Baptist Church of Union Center. It will begin at 9:00 and go until 12:00 Noon. Morning snacks will be provided. For questions you may call Melanie Cammack.

With the hot temperatures this week and increasing motorcycle traffic, stay cool and stay safe!

Johnson’s election committee talks future audit plans

Austin Goss

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PIERRE – South Dakota has a relatively good, robust election system — and an election audit bill passed last legislative session is only going to make it better.

That was the takeaway from members of an election integrity summer study — the organization of which was a priority for first-term Secretary of State Monae Johnson.

“We do things pretty well here,” said Rep. Rebecca Reimer of Chamberlain. “But we do need to bring some confidence back to voters.”

The group has been guided by Jennifer Morrell, an election audit expert from the University of Minnesota. It has functioned as a sort of unconventional summer study group akin to an informal work group.

The second meeting of the group included discussion of South Dakota’s election laws, how they were changing, and breaking into small groups to compare those election laws to other states.

“The more complicated and harder this all is to understand, the more training and complicated this becomes, and how would that ever

restore trust with people?” Hand County Commissioner Jim Eschenbaum said, while speaking on the topic of election audits.

Looming large for election officials across the state is what an election audit bill sponsored last year by Sen. David Wheeler of Huron will look like in implementation.

According to that law, county auditors are tasked with auditing 5 percent of the precincts in a county for two races, and then comparing those results to the original. The total ballots audited must include at least 100 ballots.

The Secretary of State’s Office is tasked with developing the rules around how county auditors will administer election audits.

“In my campaign, I was really pushing for post-election audits,” Johnson said. “We were in soft opposition to that bill because we didn’t know if that was going to work, but after going through these two sessions it may (end up) being the way we are going to do it.”

Despite criticism from some conservative followers, local officials expressed a desire to keep election laws consistent and transparent.

“I am hesitant to make too

many changes,” said Deb Halverson, the former auditor for Lyman County. “Tighten up for clarifications . . . sure. But maybe wait and see if the public cares and then use the 2025 legislative session where you have more cushion, to actually make major striking changes.”

But Johnson — who was elected on a wave of discontent around election law following 2020 — may not have the luxury to wait until 2025 to act on what many former supporters see as campaign promises.

Tina Mullaly, a state representative from Rapid City and advocate for more robust election-integrity laws, said she was disappointed to not be a part of the summer study group.

“I was not invited to the meeting,” Mullaly told The Dakota Scout. “I am disappointed in some of the actions of the office but have not had a chance to speak to Secretary Johnson.”

The group will have its third and final meeting next month, where it intends to make recommendations to the state Board of Elections about potential rule changes and bill proposals moving forward.



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Age of South Dakota farmers rise – along with land and input costs

by Abbey Stegenga
(South Dakota News)

DIMOCK, S.D. – Ron Neugebauer has been farming in South Dakota for more than 60 years.

He began in the early 1960s when he was in high school. By the time he was 30 years old, he and his brother had taken over the family farm after their father died.

“The first big feeling was driving a John Deere, one brand new John Deere tractor in the middle ‘50s. I was only like 8 years old, but I was able to go out and pull a drag in the field,” Neugebauer said.

He would go on to raise his own five children on that same farmland. Most mornings, he and the kids would milk the dairy cows and watch the sun rise.

Rural life: South Dakota ag income predicted to fall, but

farmers remain optimistic Neugebauer’s land, which currently grows corn and soybeans, sits about 10 miles west of Dimock, a town of an estimated 150 people and the home of the oldest cheese plant in South Dakota.

At 77, Neugebauer is among nearly two-thirds of South Dakota farmers who are at least 55 years old. In 2017, according to the most recent Census of Agriculture, nearly 4,100 principal producers in South Dakota were over the age of 75.

A principal producer is the person who has the primary responsibility for a farm’s day-to-day operations, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

As the number of young farmers remains low and those nearing retirement age grows, some worry about the future of the state’s No. 1 industry.



Ron Neugebauer stands in a patch of sweet corn in his garden west of Dimock, S.D. (Photo: Abbey Stegenga / SD News Watch)

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Members of the Secretary of State’s election audit committee meet in the State Capitol.
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Noem’s ‘demanding’ style sparks staff turnover, turmoil: ‘It’s a tough gig’

by **Stu Whitney**
(South Dakota News Watch)

Lee Schoenbeck, a power broker in the South Dakota Legislature as President Pro Tempore of the Senate, had a telling response when asked about the record pace of staff turnover in Gov. Kristi Noem’s administration, including a prolonged search for a sixth chief of staff less than five years after entering office.

“I don’t communicate with them, so it doesn’t concern me,” Schoenbeck, a Watertown Republican entering his final legislative session in 2024, told News Watch. “The governor made some statements last year that she attributed to me that I thought were not accurate, so I find it more comfortable just to not talk to her.”

In most South Dakota political eras, stony silence between a Republican governor and her party’s most prominent legislator would represent a significant chasm. In Noem’s administration, highlighted by a revolving door of key personnel, a dearth of political allies and as much attention to national interests as day-to-day operations in Pierre, keeping one’s distance has become the norm.

Despite the governor’s strong approval ratings, buoyed by her “freedom”-focused approach to the COVID-19 pandemic, legislators, lobbyists and other political officials interviewed by News Watch point to turbulence behind the scenes in the administration with more than three years left in her second and final term.

Noem has struggled to find a sixth chief of staff after the June departure of Florida native Mark Miller, her former general counsel and anti-abortion czar who returned to the Pacific Legal Foundation, his former employer. His exit came on the heels of a rocky 2023 legislative session following Noem’s re-election last November with 62% of the vote over Democrat Jamie Smith.

Also gone is deputy chief of staff Rachel Oglesby, a Maryland native who was seen as Miller’s likely successor before bolting in May to work for the Center for the American Worker in Washington, a division of the America First Policy Institute.

The departures of Miller and Oglesby continue a trend of out-of-state staffers coming and going from the governor’s office, detached from the institutional knowledge and relationship-building that past aides leveraged to pursue policy goals.

“It’s not a concern of mine, but it sure should be a concern to the governor,” Schoenbeck said.

“To have a lack of staffers that know South Dakota and understand the issues – that ought to concern her a lot. It’s a tough gig being Kristi Noem’s chief staff. I don’t think it’s a job that has a long shelf life. (Miller) is an easy-going guy and probably had the right personality to handle that for as long as he did.”

Miller declined an interview request from News Watch.



Gov. Kristi Noem is shown with former Chief of State Mark Miller after giving the State of the State Address on Jan. 11, 2022. (Photo: Erin Woodiel / Argus Leader)

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Capitol News



Things have heated up at Capitol and on Tie Creek. We have had a cool summer, and enough showers to keep things green until the middle of July. Sunday brought a hot change.

Ronda Cordell had coffee at Cheryl Burghduff’s, on Monday. Then on Tuesday, Diane Wear met Ronda on the highway at the Tie Creek intersection, and rode along to Spearfish. Ronda had an eye appointment, and they shopped at Walmart. They had lunch at Pizza Ranch and shared driving, to get back home by four. On Wednesday, Ronda went to the Weed Tour at the Carroll Ranch. Speakers talked about water quality, and grasses. There were demonstrations on tank watering for cattle, and another on electric fence construction. A sack lunch was provided courtesy of The Wagon Wheel.

After Clint Zolnoski finished some baling, on Thursday, he went over west and brought back several yearlings that had foot rot, for Ronda to doctor. Ronda picked a few gallons of pie cherries, before they got cooked. The outside temperature continually got hotter as the week progressed. By Friday, she could only find a gallon fit to pick. She pitted and cooked some to make juice for jelly. Then, on Friday, she drove to Ekalaka, and had lunch with Nellie Howell, and her daughter, Lynn, at the Wagon Wheel. Marion Kerr and Louise Dague joined them for coffee and a visit. Clint was at Fruit’s, so Ronda left her car for a check-up, and got a ride home with Clint. On Saturday, Ronda picked a pail of Canadian cherries for making jelly. She and Clint sprayed a small group of cows, and moved them to another pasture. The flies have been atrocious this summer. If the cows are not sprayed, they are bunched up and fighting flies all the time. Ronda went to the Camp Crook community center benefit supper, and auction, for the Harding County Community Foundation. Children enjoyed the bouncy house, and Shindig’s Grillin’ Rig served a delicious supper. Ronda ended the week with fried chicken at the Over The Edge.

Erma Albert went to physical therapy twice this week. On Tuesday, she picked up Dolores Sperle, and they had a great time playing cards at the Senior Center. They both went back on

Friday, for the Senior Citizen Dinner, and they celebrated Nick Mackey’s birthday. They played cards again, and then, Erma stopped in to visit with Dolores for awhile. On Sunday, Dick and Erma went to church, and then had lunch at Saloon Number Three with the Erks, Helms’s and Father Brian. That afternoon Erma read 101 degrees on her thermometer.

Bruce Gustafson has been busy with haying. They still don’t have grasshoppers in their hay along the Little Missouri. Some people think the hail storm, that whitened his place, and the Sheep Mountains, last spring, may have helped keep the grasshoppers away. There may be even a good side to hail. The heat has even cut down on their mosquitoes.

Doug and Julia Davis spent Saturday docking lambs. They were glad for lots of good help that got the big job done. Ryan, Tawni, Kymber, Kynlee and Barrett Cordell; Ernie, Rachel and Tommy Melum; Ashley, Braden and Josie Secrest; Morgan, Mattie, MacKenzie Buck, and Aislynn came to help. On Sunday, Jake brought Keaton and Kellan out to the ranch, so they could stay and visit for a few days.

Ernie Melum is busy haying. Rachel’s garden is still looking good, and she attributes it to the gumbo. Grasshoppers don’t seem to like gumbo land. On Wednesday, Ernie and Rachel took Junior and Shirley to Belle Fourche for the funeral of Dusty Gilger. Tommy had had a great week at camp near Four Corners in Wyoming.

The Moncurs are finishing up their haying. There might have been another cutting if the grasshoppers had not moved in. Dale came out for the week-end to help Alex spray weeds. Daeson is looking forward to the kids’ church camp. It will be held at Lantis Springs in the Long Pines and is directed by Alan Turbiville. It is called ‘Family Camp in the Long Pines’ and will begin on Thursday, and last until Saturday. (Sounds like lots of fun.) On Saturday there will be a picnic for their entire families.

Dorothy Padden’s garden is gone. The grasshoppers removed it. As the week got hotter, Dorothy enjoyed staying at home. Lorraine worries that Dorothy isn’t getting enough exercise, so Dorothy had a



KAREN ODELL

device that reminds her to walk. It also counts her steps, so she can’t ignore her exercise. She is glad for the reminder, and can tour upstairs and downstairs and around the house without getting out in the hundred-degree heat. She has to stay in shape, so she can climb the bleachers to see her grandchildren and great-grandchildren in ball games and wrestling, when school starts. It’s scary, but school is not that far away.

Karen Odell enjoyed having Ernie and Rachel Melum visit on Thursday evening. Tommy was spending the week at camp in Wyoming. This is the third year that he has attended the camp and he was really looking forward to it again this year. On Friday, evening, nephew Chancey Odell came over to visit Karen, and they had a good evening together. This week, Karen Odell got to watch her grandson, Kellan Odell, play baseball in Rapid City. He plays center field with the Mitchell team, and this week’s games were the nearest ones for Karen to see, so on Saturday, she went to Rapid City, and watched his team play against Post 22. Kellan, and Carson’s baseball season games are now ending. Cody’s men’s league games are nearly over, too. After the game, Cody, Kellan, and Kellan’s friend, took Karen out to dinner at the Firehouse downtown. The place was full, and the food was great. Grandson, Murphy Hinds, spent his week at a sailing camp. It seems that first graders might be too young to be sailors, but the camp turned out to be a success. On Sunday, Karen read a chapter in the Bible and went to church by first watching the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, and then going to Marietta, Georgia on YouTube for the First Presbyterian Church service. There was an equally wonderful choir, the pipe organ was inspiring, and violin, guitar and piano provided interludes, and assisted the singing. The sermon’s message enhanced the knowledge that each and everyone have talents to bring equally before God, no matter how big or small they are in the sight of humans.

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We have been fighting some foot rot and bad eyes in the pasture cattle, but from what my local vet tells me, so has everyone else. It's to be expected when you get a wetter year and much of the eye problem comes from the cattle bunching up and swishing their tails to

fight flies and whacking each other in the eye when they are trying to shoo the flies off. And the grass is pretty tall, so when they stick their face down into the grass to graze, they can get the grass heads in their eyes.

Years back, the cattle I ran for a family of farmers from back east river, always had me cut the bush off the end of the tail, because of that. And it helped, tho' of course didn't completely stop the problem.

One of my grandsons has been helping this summer and while chasing a yearling to rope it so we could doctor it, his horse slipped and went down at high speed. Shook him up and knocked the wind out of him and he has been stiff and sore, tho' he didn't seem to have broken anything. I can testify that the ground is hard and I am sure it is much harder to a 65 year old as it is to a 16 year old.

Anyway, I am not going to complain if I can help it. Sure seems like it has been a good year for us so far. But I suppose it has been hard on the ground!

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Noem's 'demanding' style sparks staff turnover, turmoil: 'It's a tough gig' Contd.

by **Stu Whitney**
(South Dakota News Watch)
Oglesby sent an emailed statement that read: "I was honored to work for Governor Noem and absolutely love the people I got to work with every day. I'm very proud of what we were able to accomplish, from universal licensing recognition to a historic investment in broadband across the state. Under Governor Noem's continued leadership, her team will do even more good for the people of South Dakota. It was a difficult decision to leave, but I'm happy to be back home, close to family, and continuing to advance good policy at the America First Policy Institute."
Gov. Noem's leadership style can be 'demanding'
Schoenbeck said that Oglesby was a "real talent" and will be missed. The fact that she left at a time when the chief of staff position was becoming available reflects the turbulent nature of working under Noem, a former state legislator and U.S. representative whose leadership style is characterized as "demanding" by those who know her well.
"The governor is hardworking all of the time, and (chief of staff) is a very demanding job," said former Republican House Speaker Tim Rave, who worked closely with Noem in the Legislature before she won her U.S. House seat in 2010.
"I can't imagine the demand that puts on your personal schedule. I don't know how long is not enough or too long or whatever, but (Noem) is on the go all the time and it's demanding. That doesn't mean it's good or bad. It just is what it is."
South Dakota Board of Regents President Tim Rave.
There has also been upheaval in Noem's Cabinet, with Governor's Office of Economic Development Commissioner Steve Westra, Health Secretary Joan Adam, Education Secretary Tiffany Sanderson and Social Services Secretary Laurie Gill all leaving in the past year.
Westra, a Sioux Falls businessman and former state leg-

islator who resigned in April, told News Watch that the ambitious nature of Noem's agenda contributes to staff and Cabinet turnover.
"The time in office for any elected official is short," said Westra, who served on Noem's transition team following the 2018 election.
"When you have a busy agenda and you want to do a lot of things, you run quickly. In doing so, let's be honest, sometimes there's a burnout factor. Public service can be tough and it's also very thankless."
Others note the fact that Noem suffered several embarrassing setbacks in the last legislative session, including a failure to fulfill her campaign pledge to repeal the state grocery tax. Lawmakers from her own party also rejected efforts – spearheaded by Oglesby – to expand paid family leave for state workers along with grant funding for private businesses.
That failed proposal was based on a program in New Hampshire, home base of informal policy adviser and former Donald Trump campaign manager Corey Lewandowski, who remains part of Noem's increasingly limited inner circle.
Noem 'not in a rush' to name new chief of staff
Several individuals from Noem's Cabinet and staff and the private sector have turned down the job of chief of staff since Miller's departure, News Watch's analysis found. That delay in filling a key role has complicated Noem's attempts to bolster her executive stature as she eyes her next political chapter and the upcoming session in Pierre.
Multiple interview requests from News Watch to Ian Fury, the governor's communications director, went unanswered. Noem told reporters during a July 12 press conference that she's "not in a rush" to name a new chief of staff.
"We've got a great team and I think we are functioning very, very well," she said. "So you may have to wait a while."
Westra didn't give a firm yes or no when asked if he was offered the chief of staff job, pivoting back to economic development gains under Noem. He called



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I'm not sure who's advising her, but no matter what the issue is, it's always somebody else's fault.
— ” —
State Rep. Aaron Aylward, a Republican, on Gov. Kristi Noem

news reports "stupid" that tied his GOED resignation to friction between the governor's office and legislators on how to allocate \$200 million in housing infrastructure funding.
"My leaving had nothing to do with that," said Westra. "When I was part of the governor's team at the very beginning, I committed one year to her, and I ended up putting in five. I'm very proud of that time and what we were able to accomplish."
Rave, president of the South Dakota Board of Regents and CEO of the South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations, declined to call Noem's staff turnover a problem.
But he noted that reliance on aides who lack South Dakota backgrounds can complicate the process of working with legislators and coordinating state agencies.
"Someone coming from out of state certainly faces hurdles that someone from in state does not – no one can argue that," Rave told News Watch. "It's no different from saying, 'Tim, you know about South Dakota politics – why don't you go to California, and I want you to understand all the nuances

of the California Legislature and try to navigate that.' So it's hard. South Dakota is very relationship driven. You come in with some hurdles."
Critics point to the administration's fumbling of the carbon pipeline project controversy, putting Noem in a quandary between ethanol advancements and the rights of South Dakota landowners.
The governor has blamed legislators for failing to pass bills addressing eminent domain during the 2023 session, rankling those who accuse her of staying on the sidelines out of political expediency rather than leading on the issue.
"It would help if she wasn't always the victim and actually owned up to mistakes that she's made," said South Dakota Freedom Caucus chair and Republican Rep. Aaron Aylward from Harrisburg. He supported legislation to prohibit the use of eminent domain to access land for carbon pipelines.
"She could have said, 'I know these landowners are getting tread upon, and we do need to change state law,' but she doesn't go down that road. She blames it on the Legislature. I'm not sure who's advising

her, but no matter what the issue is, it's always somebody else's fault."
Schoenbeck, a civil lawyer whose legislative experience dates to 1995, said he doesn't think Miller and Oglesby were scapegoated for Noem's recent legislative stumbles. He instead mentioned Noem's national ambitions impacting the issues she prioritizes and the people she hires.
"I always assumed that they came here because they saw some national opportunity, and that star has clearly faded," Schoenbeck said. "So they moved on to other opportunities."
Turnover at chief of staff position unprecedented
The governor's chief of staff is a point person on legislative strategy, office management and coordination of executive agencies such as the Bureau of Finance and Management and Department of Education.
The turnover at this vital leadership position under Noem's administration is unprecedented since the role became prominent in South Dakota in the 1970s, as is the fact that the job is currently vacant.





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125 years ago
Belle TIMES
July 28, 1898
Stock News Round-Up
The first shipment of range beef from Belle Fourche will be about August 1st. Sheepmen near Dickinson, N. D. have made several sales of wool to local buyers at 16 and 161/2 cents. The VVV and Cross-S outfits are gathering beeves for shipment about August 12th. The VVV may ship by the 8th. The Flying V commenced gathering beef last week and are expected to arrive here with their first shipment about August 5th. The Fort Pierre Journal says: “Cattle are in prime condition and when finished for market will weigh from fifty to one hundred pounds more than cattle of same age this time last year. The output will be about half of what it was last season. A larger percentage of range raised cattle will get to market this year earlier than any previous year” Several buyers are now west of the Missouri river contracting one and two year old weathers at \$3.50 a head, regardless of weight, taking whole lots straight at that figure. One half the money is generally paid down, the balance when the sheep are taken in September.

Talk of the Town
W. E. Joslin and Bruce Sebastian are figuring on putting electric fans in their places of business. George Fuller and Frank Cock went to Fort Meade with several head of horses for the cavalry service. Messrs. Fuller and Cock returned last evening from the post where they disposed of four head of \$100 horses. Only twenty more are needed there and Friday will wind up the Fort Meade purchases. G. W. Couch is plastering the new school house in the Ure district. Al Sloan is building a dwelling house on the lot just south of Joe Miller’s.

100 years ago
Belle Fourche Bee
August 2, 1923
SUDDEN DEATH OF RANCHER
Lifeless Body of Perry E. Davis Found on Prairie Near Gustave Post office
The lifeless body of Perry Davis was found early Monday morning near a water hole about five miles west of the Gustave post office, forty-five miles north of Belle Fourche, by two of the Lund brothers and one of the Dahlen boys. Dr. Sherrill of Camp Crook and Coroner B. R. Reinerson of Buffalo were called, and a man started for Belle Fourche to get Undertaker Frost. The coroner held an inquest, the verdict being that an attack of apoplexy had caused Mr. Davis’ death, and that he had passed away some time the previous evening. Undertaker Frost prepared the body for burial, the services being held at Gustave Tuesday afternoon at 2 o’clock. Mr. Davis had been employed by the Lund Brothers for several months and at the time of his death was looking after their sheep. The last time he was seen was Sunday afternoon when some passers-by on the road that runs near where the sheep were being grazed, saw him riding his horse near the sheep. Later that same evening the attention of the Lund boys was attracted by the horse Davis had been riding appearing at the pasture fence near their place. The horse was saddled, and this aroused their suspicion that all was not as it should be with Mr. Davis. In company with one of the Dahlen boys, two of the Lund boys started for the where the sheep were ranging. Arriving there they found the sheep scattered, so two of the men started gathering the sheep while the other one searched for Mr. Davis. His body was found

a short distance from a water hole, where the tracks of the horse and man sowed he had watered the horse. Mr. Davis had apparently been stricken with the illness at the water hole and was only able to go a few steps when he fell. At this place his shoulder holster with the automatic pistol in place was found, also his trouser belt. From this place he had evidently crawled a few feet before his strength left him. When the body was found it was face up and there was little evidence of a struggle having been made prior to death, although there was evidence that he had been sick at his stomach. There was no sign of any injury or evidence of violence on the body. Perry E. Davis was born September 21, 1869, in Wisconsin. He came with his mother and brothers to the Black Hills country in 1876, his father and an older brother having preceded them the year before. The family first located on what is now known as the Lon Holt place, five miles east of Belle Fourche, where they made their home for several years. Later they moved to what is now Harding county, and Perry took up a ranch in the Short Pine Hills where he engaged in ranching and stock raising. A man of far more than ordinary intelligence he gave a great deal of time to reading and study and possessed a wonderful fund of information relative to the history of this section of the northwest, and has frequently written entertaining articles of the early day life and history of the Black Hills and tributary country, these having appeared in various newspapers in this part of the country. He was of quiet and unassuming disposition, liked by all who knew him and admired by those who knew him intimately. He is survived by a mother, Mrs. T. J. Davis of Belle Fourche; a sister, Mrs. F. C. Cook of Belle Fourche; three brothers, W. G. Davis at Harding, S.D.; Fred G. Davis of Capitol, Mont.; Will Davis of Redig, S. D.

75 years ago
Belle Fourche Bee
July 28, 1948
LARGE BOMBER FORCED TO LAND HERE SATURDAY
Grumman Marine Torpedo Bomber Makes Emergency Landing At Busfield Airport
A forced landing during the week end brought more publicity and praise for the local Busfield airport. During last Saturday’s rainstorm, a Grumman marine torpedo bomber, largest single engine torpedo bomber in the world today, was forced to make an emergency landing at the local Busfield airfield. The plane, now a trainer at the Cherry Point, N.C., marine air base, had been taken to Ogden, Utah, to take repairs to service the jet planes which were exhibited at the Spearfish airfair Saturday and Sunday. The crew was taking the plane back, when the storm and darkness made al landing necessary. They had battled the storm all the way from Ogden, taking three and one-half hours for a trip normally flown in tow hours. When they first signaled the local airport, it was covered by water. They tried the field at Newell, where they received a similar answer. Later the water drained off the local field and a landing was made, wit mud and water flying as the plane was brought down. Pilot of the ship which had a part in destroying the Japanese navy was Major C. P. Weiland, Ashton, S. D. Enroute back to Cherry Point, he planned to stop and see his folks a surprise visit. He had 200 hours of combat fighting and 3,000 hours of flying time. Major Wiland has been in the marine air corps for nine years. He left the Wasp three days before she was sunk and left the Franklin with his



by Mary Buchholz

squadron minutes before it was torpedoed. He and his crew were the first to ever land on Osaka. Major Weiland praised the Busfield airport very highly swaying the range, contours of the filed, visibility, location and hangar location were outstanding. He went on to say he would recommend the field as an emergency landing base to any marine pilot. He was also pleased with the hospitality of the people, saying he could tell he was back in South Dakota. As an exhibition, the marine pilot took the huge plane off the ground Sunday morning is less than air carrier distance, with a large crowd of people watching. With him were two marine sergeants. Still containing all the necessary parts for a fighter plane, the ship could be made into a fight in 17 minutes. It has a top speed of 230 miles per hour and will develop 2300 horsepower.

REGISTRATION FOR DRAFTING BEGINS AUGUST 30

National Registration Plan Is Revealed For Youths Between 18-26


A proclamation calling for the draft registration to start August 30 was issued recently by President Truman. On that date, persons born in 1922 after August 30 will be registered. The proclamation also fixes the following dates for the registration of other youths. Nothing in the proclamation indicated when actual inductions into the armed services will begin. By law, the draft can’t go into effect until Sept. 22, which is 90 days after the president signed the selective service act. The draft law passed by congress last month requires men 18 through 25 to register, although none can be drafted until reaching 19. Selective service officials may first take 25-year-olds, who otherwise would be ineligible after one more birthday. Eighteen-year-olds can avoid the draft by enlisting for one year and then serving for a longer period in the reserves. An estimated 30,000 men will be called a month.

*50 years ago
Belle Fourche Bee
August 3, 1973*

Ingersoll Election Tuesday
There’s an election coming next week for residents of the former Fruitdale School District. On Aug. 7 residents of the district will be asked to decide whether to close the old Ingersoll School, located on Highway 212 about five mile east of Belle Fourche. Voting is to take place at the Ingersoll School. Actually, there have been no classes at the school for the past two years, since the children are now coming to Belle Fourche. However, the school legally remains a school until the patrons of the district make the decision. The school district board has formally declared the school closed and called for an election to determine whether the patrons of the district want to go along with that decision.

Bank Debts Soar 38%

Bank debts climbed another 38% in Belle Fourche in June, according to the monthly report from the Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank. June debts amounted to \$15,737,000 compared with \$11,422,000 for the same month a year ago. The total for the first six months of the year stands at an all-time high of \$99,655,000, an increase of 38% over the same period last year. The total for the last 12 months is \$265,579,000, an increase of 24% over the previous 12 months



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Online Sales Tax Can Save Local Businesses and Communities

If you are like me, the word tax isn't a positive conversation starter, in fact, it is quite the opposite. But when it comes to small rural communities, there are taxing discussions that must be had. Small local businesses in rural communities have long faced significant challenges in competing with online retailers. The rise of e-commerce has reshaped the retail landscape, leading to an uneven playing field for brick-and-mortar establishments. However, implementing online sales/use tax policies can level this playing field and support the survival and growth of small local businesses. In this column, we will explore the critical importance of online sales/use tax, supported by figures, examples, and studies, as a means to empower rural communities economically. One of the primary reasons online sales/use taxes is critical for small local businesses in rural communities is that it helps level the playing field against e-commerce giants. Without such tax policies, online retailers often enjoy a price advantage over local businesses since they are not required to collect sales tax in certain jurisdictions. This discrepancy can discourage consumers from supporting local businesses, thereby undermining their survival and



by John Newby

growth. According to a study conducted by Civic Economics, for every \$10 million in online sales, approximately 200 local jobs are lost. Furthermore, the study found that if online sales were subject to the same sales tax as local businesses, it would generate billions of dollars in revenue for local governments, which could be invested in community development initiatives. Another reason for consideration of implementing online sales/use tax policies is that it not only levels the playing field but also supports the overall health of local economies. When consumers purchase goods online without paying sales tax, the revenue that could have been generated for the local community is lost. This revenue is crucial for funding public services, infrastructure development, and community improvement projects. A notable example is the case of South Dakota, which passed a law requiring online retailers to collect sales tax. Following this implementation, the state witnessed a significant increase in sales tax revenue, providing funds for public education, healthcare, and infrastructure upgrades. Small businesses benefited from this additional revenue as

well, as it facilitated community growth, increased employment opportunities, and attracted further investment. In a study conducted by the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), it was estimated that state and local governments could have collected between \$8 billion and \$13 billion in sales tax revenue in 2017 if they were able to enforce the collection on remote sales. Such revenue can be vital for small local businesses in rural communities, as it enables them to invest in marketing, employee training, and expansion, leading to enhanced competitiveness and community growth. Another positive aspect of having local sales/use tax policies is that it can aid in preserving your community character. Small local businesses play an integral role in preserving the unique character and identity of rural communities. They provide personalized services, foster social connections, and contribute to the distinct cultural fabric. However, when these businesses struggle to survive due to the competition posed by online retailers, communities risk losing their local charm and becoming homogenized. By implementing online sales/use tax policies, rural communities can protect their local businesses, thereby preserving their unique character. When consumers are encouraged to support local businesses through equal taxation, it strengthens the sense of community pride and connection. Additionally, depending upon the laws and guidelines of each state and community, the revenue generated from online sales/use tax can be reinvested into initiatives that promote community

development, such as supporting local arts, improving public spaces, and enhancing tourism. Online sales/use tax is not just about taxation; it is a critical tool for empowering small local businesses in rural communities. By leveling the playing field, supporting local economies, and preserving community character, these tax policies contribute to the survival, growth, and overall prosperity of rural areas. Implementing such policies is

a vital step towards fostering community resilience and ensuring a vibrant future for small businesses. *John Newby is a nationally recognized Columnist, Publisher, Community, Business, Media, Strategic Consultant & Speaker. As founder of Truly-Local, he assists community and business leaders in building synergies that create vibrant communities. He can be reached at: info@Truly-Localllc.com.*

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Joe Kuhl, Buffalo Gap SD	2	Blk/Bwf-Cow	1410	118.50.....1,670.85 \$
	4	Black-Cowette	1149	131.00.....1,504.86 \$
	8	Black-Cow	1216	119.00.....1,446.59 \$
Brad Severson, Vale SD	1	Red-Cow	1295	119.00.....1,541.05 \$
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	1	Black-Cow	1445	116.50.....1,683.42 \$
Jason Garman, Alzada MT	1	Black-Cow	1495	123.00.....1,838.85 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1115	85.00.....947.75 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1350	119.50.....1,613.25 \$
	2	Black-Cow	1623	117.50.....1,906.43 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1745	118.00.....2,059.10 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1525	111.00.....1,692.75 \$
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	1	Black-Cowette	1310	130.00.....1,703.00 \$
Greg Bull, Ashland MT	1	Black-Hfrt	1070	155.00.....1,658.50 \$
Dan Lewis, Rapid City SD	1	Black-Cowette	1265	125.00.....1,581.25 \$
	3	Black-Cow	1300	118.50.....1,540.50 \$
	1	Black-Cow	1600	110.00.....1,760.00 \$
Clinton & Amy Jones, Rozet WY	1	Xbrd-Cow	1525	116.00.....1,769.00 \$
Daniel Marrs, Whitewood SD	4	Black-Cow	1483	116.00.....1,719.70 \$

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Janet K Evans, Weston WY.....	1.....	Black-Cow	1465	114.00	1,670.10 \$
	1.....	Black-Cow	1560	115.00	1,794.00 \$
	1.....	Black-Cow	1505	116.50	1,753.32 \$
	1.....	Black-Cow	1405	111.00	1,559.55 \$
	1.....	Black-Cowette	1275	128.00	1,632.00 \$
	1.....	Black-Cow	1520	116.00	1,763.20 \$
Dane Dobesh, Belle Fourche SD.....	1.....	Herf-Cow	1345	112.50	1,513.12 \$
	1.....	Herf-Cow	1250	114.00	1,425.00 \$
	1.....	Herf-Cow	1250	117.00	1,462.50 \$
Steve Mills, Boyes MT.....	1.....	Black-Cow	1650	113.00	1,864.50 \$
	1.....	Black-Cow	1555	115.00	1,788.25 \$
	1.....	Black-Cow	1260	116.00	1,461.60 \$
	1.....	Black-Cow	1375	114.00	1,567.50 \$
Troy Mills, Boyes MT.....	1.....	Bwf-Hfrt	1100	144.00	1,584.00 \$
Bob Wicks, Whitewood SD.....	1.....	Bwf-Cow	1685	110.00	1,853.50 \$
James Wicks, Whitewood SD.....	1.....	Bwf-Cow	1730	110.00	1,903.00 \$
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Brian & Anita Tope, Rozet WY.....	1.....	Bwf-Bull	1860	132.00	2,455.20 \$
Tooke Ranch Inc, Ekalaka MT.....	1.....	Black-Bull	1730	132.00	2,283.60 \$
Janet K Evans, Weston WY.....	1.....	Black-Bull Df	1815	131.00	2,377.65 \$
Branscom Ranch Llc, Osage WY.....	1.....	Black-Bull Df	1945	134.50	2,616.02 \$
Kyar Ranch Trust, Upton WY.....	1.....	Black-Bull Df	1615	130.00	2,099.50 \$
Darrell Groth, Aladdin WY.....	1.....	Bwf-Bull Df	1775	116.00	2,059.00 \$
	1.....	Black-Bull	1650	117.50	1,938.75 \$
Center Of The Nation, Newell SD.....	1.....	Black-Bull	1090	156.00	1,700.40 \$
	1.....	Herf-Bull	1570	122.00	1,915.40 \$

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More Building Permits Issued by City

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NEWELL-Several local residences are getting an upgrade in the near future following the approval of six building permits granted by the Newell City Commission. Also approved were two properties that were replatted.

Mayor Ken Wetz noted that the most building permits have been approved in the last two months than in a very long time.

A building permit was granted for a mobile home to be placed at 202 6th St., Lots 5 and 6. Although the mobile home is older than the city's ordinance, it does qualify because of the condition of the home and that it does have a peaked roof. The lots will be surveyed and the precise location of the mobile home will be placed accordingly.

A garage was approved for 421 Elmira Ave. Lot 10 and 11, Block 25. Included in the approval was a 20x10x5" concrete pad for a lawn shed.

A garage and carport were approved at 104 1st St, Lots 29-32, Block 42 with the condition that the proposed garage be set back a minimum of 10 ft.

The commissioners approved the placement of a mobile home at 214 6th St., Lot 3, Block 34. The mobile home is 16 x 66.

The owner of the lots 23-32, Block 43 located at East 1st St. asked the commissioners to replat the three lots into one lot. The reasoning behind the request is a savings on property taxes, since the assessment would be less. The replat was approved by unanimous vote.

The commissioners approved the replat of 1601, 115PH1 House, WO 1 & 2 at 820 Girard. If the lots stayed as separate entities, there could be the possibility of one mobile home being sold and a problem with the sewer, but by combining the lots the possibilities diminished.

An update was given for the Splash Pad project at the North Park. At this time, the committee is waiting on a plumber and finalizing details.

Mariam Martin discussed an idea she had concerning the abandoned cars in Newell. She mentioned the prospect of a "car removal day" sometime in October 2023. The commissioners encouraged her to pursue her plan. Martin also mentioned that she was ready for her irrigation to be installed at her property.

Mayor Wetz took time to explain that the accusations made to office personnel by James Bialota prior to and at last month's meeting were "unfounded and not truthful" by any means. Wetz said that there was no merit to what had

Local Monster Truck Drivers



Rebecca Schnell with the legendary Bigfoot 4x4 truck. - Heitz photo

Local Monster Truck Drivers Head Overseas

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been said and that the employees should be exonerated. He further emphasized the integrity of office personnel.

A letter was sent to Bialota by the city's attorney Kellen Wellert. The letter states "you have made patently false and demeaning accusations against employees of Newell" and that any further correspondence or issues regarding Newell must be sent to him through his office.

Street repair was discussed with issues of the alleys and several streets in "tough" repair. The process of finding someone to run the blade to work on street repair.

The mayor upheld the decision made a year ago concerning the responsibility of property owners to keep Right of Ways mowed.

The next regular commissioner's meeting will be August 14, 2023 at 5 p.m.

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From the Beacon / Irrigator.

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VALE— As Darron and Rebecca Schnell prepare for their fourth overseas venture with Hot Wheels Monster Trucks Live, they carry the heart and pride of Vale with them. For over a decade, Darron Schnell has been an integral part of Team Bigfoot, a name synonymous with the legendary monster truck that marked the beginning of the entire industry half a century ago. His wife, Rebecca, started driving for Bigfoot in 2019 and was the first female driver for Hot Wheels Monster Trucks Live.

Rebecca Schnell's journey to success has been nothing short of remarkable. "I came in because my husband's been driving for fourteen years with Team Bigfoot. I was on the back burner the entire time. I kind of hid from the social spotlight and I learned to work on all the stuff first," she explains. When the owners of Bigfoot took notice, they quickly offered her a driving position. Her transition from behind the scenes to the center stage was met with some skepticism. "When I came in and they put me in the driver's seat, for some

people, they were unsure of the dedication and the ability that I would've had," she says.

But her talent quickly silenced any doubters. She made her debut in 2020 as the first female driver for Hot Wheels Monster Trucks Live during its European tour. Her prowess behind the wheel was undeniable; she even won her very first freestyle event. The positive response was resounding. "It worked out really well for our company because the first year that we went to Europe, I did so well there that I came back and did some summer tours, and I sold out all of our merchandise for Bigfoot," she recalls with a smile.

Rebecca's rise to success stands as a testament to the tenacity of women in male-dominated sports. Acknowledging initial challenges, she firmly states, "I think the biggest struggle was the fact that they had to adjust to the female that was only behind the scenes that came into the limelight as far as being the person to push." When she is not busy conquering the monster truck world, Rebecca also works as

a traveling nurse. She will be competing alongside Darron in next year's Hot Wheels Monster Trucks Live European tour. Throughout her journey, she has become a trailblazing figure and role model. Her achievements serve as an inspiration not only to aspiring athletes, but also to anyone who dares to chase their dreams against all odds.

Rooted in Vale, the Schnell family's connection to the area runs deep. Darron's parents have lived most of their lives here and contribute to the local history through their dedication to the community. His mother attended Newell School until the eighth grade, and later worked for its after-school program and as a grant writer. His father served as the school bus driver director for 12 years.

Together, Rebecca and Darron Schnell have made waves in the world of monster truck racing. Their success has proven time and again that extraordinary talent can come from even the smallest of towns.

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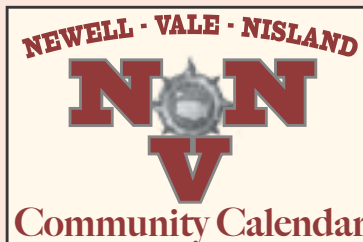


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NEWELL—The Newell Summer Playday series held its awards ceremony on Sunday, July 23rd. The event saw a large turnout, with contestants and their families gathering at the Newell City Hall to celebrate their achievements during the series. The event featured a potluck-style dinner before the awards were presented, with the Newell Community Club supplying sloppy joes and lemonade. The winners of each event received belt buckles, with various other awards given to contestants who placed in the top four. Several drawings for door prizes were also sprinkled throughout the evening. Thanks to the Newell Community Club and everyone who sponsored the series, the summer was a success!



If you
have events for the NVN calendar, please
contact Betty Bruner @ bbrunernews@
gmail.com

July 27 - Vitalant Blood Drive, Newell
Evangelical Church 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

July 29: 5th Annual Pitchfork Steak Fondee
due for Youth-contact Holly at 605-210-0020
to reserve your ticket. Benefits 4-H and FFA
Youth.

2023 Butte Lawrence County Fair will be
held on July 31st- August 5 2023.

August 15: Newell School Open House, 5
p.m.7p.m.

August 16: First Day of School

August 26: Lion's Club 2 Person Golf
Tournament

September 1 -4: Newell Labor Day
Activities:

Friday-Quilt Show & Cowboys for Christ
Saturday-5K Fun Run/Walk/Bike, quilt
Show, Ranch Rodeo & Calcutta, Ranch
Bronc Ride & Calcutta, 3rd Annual Newell
FFA Goat Roping, Newell Museum Open,
Fireman's BBQ, Newell Bar Dance
Sunday-Car Show, Quilt Show, Newell
High School Rodeo Club Team Roping,
Tractor Pull, Newell Museum Open, Corn-
hole Tournament, Mud Volleyball, Youth
Street Dance

Monday-Bake Sale in front of Berry's
Hotel, Lunch at NVN Center, Rodeo Slack,
Labor Day Parade, Newell Museum Open,
Quilt Show, Kids' Games in the Park, Bingo
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Playday Awards Ceremony

Ryder Heitz

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Final results for the series can
be found below.

0-4 Age Division

All Around Girls

1st Lainey Green
2nd Rickeigh Lei
3rd Hailey Fox
4th Tyann Braun

All Around Boys

1st Coy Westland
2nd Duke Erickson
3rd Camron Lee
4th Wrenley Boylan

Stick Barrels

1st Lainey Green/
Rickeigh Lei

Stick Flag Race

1st Hailey Fox

Stick Poles

1st Rickeigh Lei

Dummy Roping

1st Lainey Green

4-6 Age Division

All Around Girls

1st Windsor Erickson
2nd Addyson McGrath
3rd Rickeigh Lei
4th Laine O'Keeffe

All Around Boys

1st Maxon Dell
2nd Henry Bishop
3rd Cashtin Green
4th Ryder Witty

Barrels

1st Maxon Dell
2nd Addyson McGrath
3rd Windsor Erickson

Flag Race

1st Maxon Dell
2nd Rickeigh Lei
3rd Windsor Erickson

Poles

1st Henry Bishop
2nd Rickeigh Lei
3rd Maxon Dell

Goat Tying

1st Raelyn Fox
2nd Maxon Dell
3rd Windsor Erickson

Dummy Roping

1st Maxon Dell
2nd Cashtin Green
3rd Laine O'Keeffe

7-10 Age Division

All Around Girls

1st Mesa Dell
2nd Laityn O'Keeffe
3rd Taisley Tetrault
4th Laramie O'Keeffe

All Around Boys

1st Trayden Taylor
2nd Tatum Taylor
3rd Ryker Samuelson
4th Copper Lang

Barrels

1st Trayden Taylor
2nd Tatum Taylor
3rd Adri Bishop

Flag Race

1st Copper Lange
2nd Taisley Tetrault
3rd Trayden Taylor

Poles

1st Mesa Dell
2nd Laityn O'Keeffe
3rd Trayden Taylor

All Around Boys

1st Weston Hiles
2nd Jace Hiles
3rd Justin Stranberg
4th Trenden Carr

Barrels

1st Brooke Garman
2nd TyLee Tetrault
3rd Alison Hall

Flag Race

1st Oaklee Curtis
2nd TyLee Tetrault
3rd Chloe Hilger

Poles

1st Hayden Johnston
2nd Addison Brownell
3rd Madison Cooper

Goat Tying

1st Oaklee Curtis
2nd Bianca Bierman
3rd Weston Hiles

Breakaway

1st Hadlee Parsons
2nd Weston Hiles
3rd Ryker Samuelson

Dummy Roping -

Header

1st TyLee Tetrault
2nd Jace Hiles
3rd Atty Eastman

Dummy Roping -

Heeler

1st TyLee Tetrault

15+ Age Division

All Around Girls

1st Rachel Stranberg
2nd Kaydence Lei
3rd Aliceson Stranberg
4th Kaylee Erickson

All Around Boys

1st Mickey Strawn



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Goat Tying

1st Ryker Samuelson
2nd Trayden Taylor
3rd Tatum Taylor

Dummy Roping

1st Paisley Braun
2nd Bayzen Curtis
3rd Laramie O'Keeffe

Dummy Roping -

Header

1st JerZee Samuelson
2nd Ryker Clark
3rd Taisley Tetrault

Dummy Roping -

Heeler

1st Joey Samuelson
2nd Clancy Todd
3rd Ryker Samuelson

11-14 Age Division

All Around Girls

1st TyLee Tetrault
2nd Atty Eastman
3rd Brooke Garman
4th Hayden Johnston

2nd Caden Hilger

Barrels

1st Kaylee Erickson
2nd Kaydence Lei
3rd Jaden Erickson

Flag Race

1st Aliceson Stranberg
2nd Rachel Stranberg
3rd Avery Rice

Poles

1st Kaylee Erickson
2nd Mickey Strawn
3rd Aliceson Stranberg

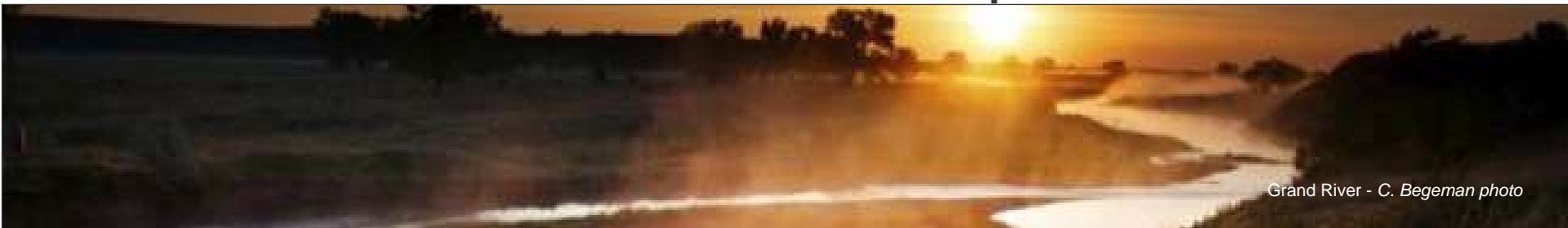
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2nd Aliceson Stranberg
3rd Kaydence Lei

Breakaway

1st Mickey Strawn
2nd Rachel Sovia
3rd Reata Hays

Grand River Roundup



Grand River - C. Begeman photo

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It was really hot out when Reub and went to Hettinger Monday afternoon while Casey and Taz were busy baling hay.

Missy hosted Ladies Aid Tuesday afternoon and fed us a delicious apple crisp, ice cream and watermelon. Linda Mohagen wasn't there because she and Pastor Henry were up in Alaska. They took the VBS offering to Alaska to help out with the VBS in Alaska to get supplies and materials for next year.

Reub and I went to Buffalo on Wednesday to renew his drivers license but he had a little trouble with his eye exam so he needs to go see the eye doctor. We stopped in Reva on the way home and had some of that good soft ice cream.

Our granddaughter, Bryce Hespe, came up from Rapid City to visit on Thursday and we all had a good visit with her. She is tutoring students in the summer, but didn't have any to work with that day.

We went to Buffalo Friday evening and joined a large crowd for the worship service at the rodeo arena to listen to Tracy Buer, Carrol Comes, and Tom Johnson sing and give their testimonies and listen to Pastor Cliff Claypool's gospel message. It was a very enjoy-

able evening.
There were more deaths to report this week:

Elizabeth Barbara (Vetter) Loughlin, 93, of Sturgis and formerly from Bison, died July 13, at Monument Health Sturgis Care Center. Her graveside services were Saturday, July 22, at the White-wood Cemetery.

Rayford "Ray" Anderson, 88, of Buffalo, passed away on July 17, at the Belle Estates in Belle Fourche. Funeral Services for Ray were Tuesday, July 25, at the Old Harding County Gymnasium in Buffalo with burial in the Buffalo Cemetery.

Their families have our sympathy.

Saturday was the "Day of the American Cowboy" and I went down to the High Plains Western Heritage Center in Spearfish. Cowboy musician Paul Larson and cowgirl poet Yvonne Hollenbeck were performing there to celebrate the day and they couldn't have had better performers to represent American cowboys. I was invited down there to speak about how I was able to bring the Day of the American Cowboy as a celebration in South Dakota when I was in the legislature.



The late Peggy Ables was the executive director of the Heritage Center and she gave me some literature about the National Day of the American Cowboy and asked if I would bring a bill to make it a

South Dakota state celebration. I had an old cowboy in the Legislative Research Council, Reuben Bezplatz, write bill HB1184 for me and I had another cowboy, Sen. Billie Sutton, be the prime sponsor in the Senate while I was prime sponsor in the House. We had a whole lot of other cowboy legislators sign on the bill with us and it passed unanimously in 2014 and was signed into law by Gov. Dennis Daugaard.

The law reads: "The fourth Saturday of July shall be known as Day of the American Cowboy. Day of the American Cowboy is dedicated to the protection, preservation, and promotion of the cowboy and Western heritage of the State of South Dakota, and honoring cowboys and cowgirls for their enduring contribution to the courageous, pioneering spirit of America. In keeping with the hard-riding work ethic of cow-

boys, the Day of the American Cowboy is a working holiday."

Sen. Billie Sutton, a good friend of mine, was a saddle bronc rider who broke his back riding a bronc and is paralyzed in a wheelchair. Yvonne Hollenbeck told me she and her cowboy rancher husband are neighbors of the Suttons and Suttons are like family to them, so I asked her to greet Billie for me next time she saw him.

Pastor Henry and Linda Mohagen were up in Alaska so Pastor Michael Brandt gave the message at Slim Buttes Lutheran this Sunday. Reub and I missed listening to Pastor Brandt because we went to church at Grace Bible Fellowship Church in Bison that morning to listen to Pastor Phil Hahn talk about baptism. Pastor Phil will baptize Reub and me and several others at the Shadehill Reservoir at 5:00 on Sunday, August 13, with a potluck dinner following. Both Reub and I were baptized as babies, but we don't remember a thing about those baptisms, so we want to do it again. I also missed the Turtle Races in Reva for the first time that afternoon!

I'll leave you with these cowboy jokes:

*What do you call a happy cowboy? A jolly rancher.

*Why did everybody think

the cowboy was so funny? Because he was always horsing around.

*Why do cowboys always ride horses? Because they're too heavy to carry!

*How did the cowboy save so much money? His horse gave him a couple of bucks every day.

*What do you call someone who wears cowboy clothes? Ranch dressin'

*If a cowboy rides into town on Friday and three days later, leaves on Friday, how does he do it? The horse's name is Friday!

*Why can't the bankrupt cowboy complain? He has got no beef.

*Three cowboys are riding in a truck, all dressed alike. Who is the smartest? The one in the middle because he doesn't have to drive or open the gate.

*What is the first rule cowboys learn before filling up a canteen? To go upstream from the herd.

*Why are so many cowboys also gamblers? Because they always like raising the steaks!

*What do cowboys make when the sun comes up? Shadows.

*Did you hear about the cowboy who died with his boots on? He didn't want to stub his toe when he kicked the bucket!

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"Looking Forward to our Past"

July 17, 1913

Deputy Postmaster George Ross was out with a petition last week for the Post Office at Newell. Postmaster Bratton had been notified to hold the office it would be necessary for him to put in 8 hours daily at the office. The office at present is paying \$13 per year. There would have been several candidates in the field had it been known there was going to be a vacancy. Mr. Bratton has served only a year and quarter of his 4-year term.

There has been a suggestion made that the territory known as the Black Hills should be renamed "Black Mountains" has been taken up by quite a few South Dakota newspapers, the comments all running the same vein and endorsing Sioux Falls Editor Day's suggestion. While it may be, that the name "Black Hills" does not fittingly express the real significance of these mountains and canyons, nevertheless it would be an up-hill job to bring about the change in name in a generation. It is not a feasible proposition, however much as our neighbors would like to bring it about. The Black Hills are a part and parcel of South Dakota, one of the most interesting and valuable parts and as the "Black Hills" will remain for all time.

Noah Bigham has been improving his place of late, by adding another room to the house and building a fine sod hog house. The Bigham family enjoyed ice cream at the Titus Ranch on Frozen Creek Tuesday evening.

July 19, 1923

The freight crew report very often recently on the early morning trips out of Newell the myriads of grasshoppers on the rails have seriously impeded the progress of the train. One morning last week they were an hour and half making the run from Fruitdale to Belle Fourche, despite the use of bushels of sand as traction.

There will be an entertainment at Horse Creek School Friday evening, July 27. A good musical and literary program will be presented and ice cream and cake will be served. Bring the children; there will be moonlight games on the lawn for the young folks. This is a benefit given for the family of Rev Sissons who used to preach in that community.

by Linda Velder

Dewey Holden, Vale, bought himself a brand new Ford roadster Saturday at the Brattons Merc. Company. Jake Tetens is learning to run his Ford under R. Long's instruction. J. Ramsey also has taken a whirl at it.

July 20, 1933

State Geologist E. P. Rothrock, of University of South Dakota and his assistant Dr. W. B. Searight are in west river country for a survey of the coal fields in the Stoneville and Fairpoint area in Meade County. The field has never been listed on State or Federal showings, of the big lignite fields in north-western South Dakota. The geologists will survey the field in an effort to determine the size of the veins, the extent and value of the deposits. The surveys will take about 3 weeks.

With ample irrigation for the driest season and reserve for fall use, the Belle Fourche Reservoir these hot summer days in dispensing about 45,000 acre feet, reports F. C. Youngblutt. The Superintendent says there are increasing numbers of inquiries for land on the project these days, but few individuals are in position to make down payments on irrigated land. He

said the World's Fair is doing its part in focusing attention to the Black Hills and the Project, through literature and a South Dakota booth on display in Chicago.

T.O. Ronayne, Chief Inspector of the State Agriculture Department, today reported a "wholesome violation" of South Dakota laws governing employment of women and children and promised strict enforcement in the future. State laws prohibit employment of women and children (under 16) for more than 54 hours a week and set a minimum wage of \$12 per week. Attention has been called to several places where women are being employed for as low as \$5 per week and some work up to 70 hours per week. The minimum was at 54-hour week requirements do not apply to domestic help, telephone and telegraph operators or persons engaged in farm work.

July 22, 1943

Corn cannot be used for manufacture of distilled spirits and high wines, a recent directive of the WBA says. The action was taken to conserve stocks of corn for essential purposes, although the amount of corn saved is likely to be



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small because distillers already had shifted largely to the use of wheat.

Mr. & Mrs. Wm Ernest, Sr. drove in from the Mason ranch Tuesday afternoon to spend a few days at the home of their son Bill and family at the Horse Creek Ranch. The Bill Ernest family took Leo and Floyd Whalen to Belle Fourche on Tuesday to visit at the Ralph White home.

Ed Fardig writes from Tacoma, where he is now employed at defense work, that the daily rains have finally ceased and they are beginning to enjoy their new home a lot better. He sends best regards to all Newell friends. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Townsend and daughter are expected to return here in a few days to remain. Mr. Townsend also has been employed in defense works at Tacoma for the past 6 months. Father R. T. O'Hara is on a trip to the west

coast and has been looking up some of the Newellites in the Tacoma vicinity.

July 16, 1953

Twilight Lutheran Church, the northern-most congregation of the Newell-Vale Lutheran Parish, will begin having their worship service in the evening on July 26. It is hoped that this new arrangement will be conducive to larger attendance during the hot summer months. Services will start at 8:00 PM each second and fourth Sunday of the month.

Newell business visitors this week from the outlying communities were; Castle Rock Mr. & Mrs. Paul Deschamps and George Buckles, Susan Verhulst and George DeJaeger; Zeona Pat Trainor; Sulphur area Mr. & Mrs. Ray Draine and Sorum Chris Wammen. This proves Newell covers a wide trade area.

With the danger of lightning and grass fires reaching a high point in this territory, the campaign for funds for improvement of Newell Volunteer Fire Department's new rural truck will go into gear. The new truck will be displayed on Main Street and Saturday afternoon and evening until sufficient funds are received, a small crew of the department will be on hand to solicit donations for the project. The campaign is to raise funds for installation of a modern pumping unit and tank on the truck and retire from service a 1941 Ford truck with 2-speed axel.

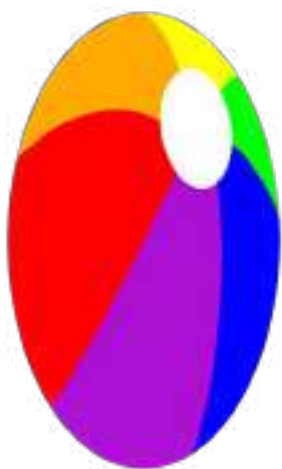
July 18, 1963

Someone has very dangerous loot, it was revealed here this week with the report of a theft of a quantity of dynamite, fuses and blasting caps from a cache being stored at the Newell City Dump Grounds. The loss, reported to City Officials and Butte County Sheriff George Hafner, who are investigating, was reported by Geophysical Service, Inc. which



Mr. Bratton, Postmaster, in front of Newell's first Post Office, before he resigned the position. Bratton carried the first petition to establish a Post Office in Newell and Mr. Ross carried one later to replace Bratton as Post Master.

Puzzles on C8



Answer to Sudoku

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

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "What was once thought to be never be until caught" — Carl J. Friedrich



**From C3
Then and Now**

has leased the Wall Building in Newell and is opening an office there. The firm is conducting seismograph surveys over an extensive area east and north of town, expects to be operating in this area for several months. The city dump grounds were selected as a safe place for storage of the explosives. It would be advisable and safest if persons taking the explosives would carefully return same or better yet notify authorities of their location so they can be removed. It may not be known where the location of stolen explosives, either way they may be dangerous.

A total of 67 children reported for the first day of the Newell summer swimming program being conducted at Newell Lake, it is reported by City Recreation Director Mike Eagan. Mrs. Joyce Cook of

Spearfish has been hired as a swimming instructor and life guard. The program has been changed to 3 days a week: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30 AM to 11:45 under her supervision. Tuesdays and Thursdays will be devoted to soft games and other activities, Eagan added.

Newell Community Club members scanned a preview copy of the Newell 50th Anniversary book at the regular luncheon meeting at the Cove Café Tuesday and set the price for the book which will go on sale August 1 at \$4.50. So much material had been submitted for the book, it was pointed out by Lyn Gladstone, on the publication committee, that it ended up twice as large as originally planned. He recommends the price be set at \$5 with no additional payment from those who pre-paid at \$4.50. Nearly 200 persons, helped assure its publication at a lower cost.



Train at Rail Depot, ready to depart



Making hay while the sun shines. Before tractors were introduced to farming.

WIT Coalition Spotlight

As a way to honor our coalition members and to get to know each one a little better, we are going to do a Coalition member spotlight in this year’s monthly newsletters. Sabrina chose to do a spotlight this month about Patricia “Pat” Lee, as she is the Executive Director President for the Coalition board and she celebrated a birthday in July.



Pat Lee

My name is Patricia Lee and I am the President of the Coalition’s Executive Board. I became involved with drug free education when funds became available through the state. I was appointed to this

position through my duties as a school nurse. When I presented information to the youth at our school they felt that their parents and the community needed to be educated about the dangers of drugs and alcohol as well the kids. Sabrina has tried to do this by making information available through the coalition at fairs, rodeos and other community gatherings. One thing that has changed is public places no longer allow smoking, for which I am thankful. Cigarette smoke really bothered my allergies. We still have to a lot of education to do, as there are more dangerous drugs available than when I first started working with the youth years ago.

Note from Sabrina

Pat Lee Pat was the Newell School Nurse when she helped form the Whatever It Takes Coalition. There were Federal Grant monies available to do tobacco prevention in schools and the community but schools couldn’t apply for them—only coalitions. With that she saw a need to start a coalition. Pat Lee has retired from nursing but is extremely active and involved with other groups and activities in the Community. We appreciate all that she brings to the coalition. Pat’s passion to educate youth lives on through the WIT Coalition.

TAM
(Techniques in Alcohol Management)



Pictured here are three of the 212-79 Employees: From the left Billie Beaver, Teri Prouty, and Anne Polvani. Courtesy Photo

Sabrina is a TAM Trainer and has been doing TAM Trainings throughout the summer.

Employees of the High Plains Restaurant and Bar & the 212/79 Service Center have

completed and passed the TAM training. Their certification is good for 4 years. We appreciate the business owners that care about their servers and customers enough to have their employees TAM trained.

Sports Physicals Available at Monument Health

Monument Health is doing FREE sports physicals. Just call and make an appointment to be seen at Sturgis Monument Health # 605-720-2600

Go to the Newell School’s website (Newell.k12.sd.us) and print off the physical form to take with you to the appointment. https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded_file/56/District/3156408/2023-24_Physical_Form.pdf

What is The “Whatever It Takes Coalition”?

The Whatever It Takes (WIT) Coalition is a Prevention & Education Coalition. Originally started in June of 2009 as the NVN Tobacco Coalition. A year later we realized there was other funding out there to help address other issues such as ATOD—Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs, Underage Alcohol Abuse, Mental Health, etc., so we changed our name to the “Whatever It Takes Coalition”. Thank you to Mrs. Betsy Burtzlaff for the name change suggestion. As the board was meeting and trying to come up with a new name Betsy realized that we kept saying we would research other grant funding that would address important issues our school and community was dealing with. As we kept saying we would do “Whatever It Takes” to make our community a better place she said that is what our new name needed to be, the Whatever It Takes Coalition, so that is how the Whatever It Takes Coalition was formed in June of 2010. Sabrina Harmon is the Coalition Director and she went through the process of becoming a Certified Prevention Specialist. Sabrina did the work for the WIT Coalition to become a 501-C-3 non-profit coalition and went through the process with the State of South Dakota to be an Accredited Prevention Coalition. The Whatever It Takes Coalition is blessed to be based out of the Newell School. This gives Sabrina easy access to bring in Prevention Education to the classrooms and be available as a valuable prevention resource. She helps bring in Evidence Based Curriculums such as Lifeskills, Positive Actions, Canoe Journey and Healthy Relationships Classes & works with the students/staff/administration doing “Whatever It Takes”. WIT receives funding through a “Prevention Block Grant” funded through the SD Department of Social Services. With this grant funding they focus on Underage Alcohol Prevention and ATOD (Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs) along with Mental Health education. Sabrina works with the Department of Social Services, Department of Health and the Department of Education along with numerous other agencies to better our school and community. The Coalition board is made up of at least 12 other sectors and they host monthly meetings and/or events to bring awareness to the area. If there are any trainings or curriculum you would like to see brought into the school or community, please let her know. Sabrina Harmon, 605-381-9136 or sabrina.harmon@k12.sd.us



South Dakota Has a Social Host Law

WIT Coalition Sabrina Harmon What’s a Social Host Law? A Social Host is anyone who hosts a social gathering and knowingly condones the illegal consumption of alcohol by a person on property that the host controls. According to South Dakota Law 35-9-9, no person acting as a social host may knowingly permit any person under the age of eighteen to illegally consume any alcoholic beverage, regardless of the source of the alcoholic beverage, on or at the premises of the person acting as social host. Any violation of this section is a class 1 misdemeanor. (Source: SL 2014, ch 177,1) Class 1 misdemeanor: Maximum penalty, one-year imprisonment in a county jail or \$2000 fine, or both. Additionally, South Dakota Law 35-9-10 states that no person acting as a social host may knowingly permit any person, ages 18-20, to illegally consume any alcoholic beverage, regardless of the source of the

alcoholic beverage, on or at the premises of the person acting as social host. Any violation of this section is a class 2 misdemeanor. (Source: SL 2014, ch177, 2). Class 2 misdemeanor: Maximum penalty, thirty days imprisonment in a county jail or \$500 fine, or both.

Be the Role Model Youth Need Show you disapprove of underage drinking Know and Follow the Law Don’t Provide Alcohol



If you have a message GET NOTICED!



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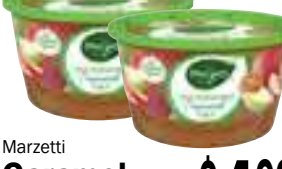
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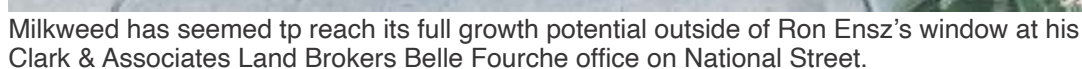
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