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County Spending a Good Chunk of Change

COLLEEN BRUNNER news@bellefourchebeacon.com The Butte County Commissioners topped most of their previous expenditures in the past few meetings as they dealt with awarding a bid for chip sealing on Gray Road, Halle Rae Lane, Sourdough Road and Old Belle Highway, as well as spending a good chunk of change on highway equipment. The chip and seal project was let out for bid and three companies submitted bids. Bituminous Paving from Minnesota was the low bid and the winner for the project with a bid at \$133,133. 50. The next two bids included Jensen Rock & Sand of Mobridge with \$134,009.68 and Simon Construction of Rapid City at \$138,983.88. According to the county's engineer, Jason Hanson, he expects the project to be complete by August 31. Following the chip/seal project, the commissioners opened bids on trucks needed by the county. There were only two bids, both by the same company, T, T & M out of Mandan, N.D. The first truck, a Peterbilt was logged in at \$51,500 and the second, a different truck but also a Peterbilt, came in at \$58,500. The commissioners denied both bids

"I found a couple trucks today that have rebuilt engines," said Highway Superintendent Dwayne Heidrich.

"Can you find one at \$30,000 and put an engine in?" questioned Commissioner Kim Richards. In the end, the group decided to re-advertise for new bids.

Following the truck bids, the group dealt with a proposal to purchase a new belly dump trailer. Heidrich said the current trailers they have are in bad shape and he has been searching for a while. A representative from Butler Caterpillar of Rapid City brought prices for several different proposals for a threeaxel Trail King bottom dump trailer which can be switched between different trucks. Two finance options were perused, both at 3.34 percent. The total truck payment was \$54,040.85. The first contract was for 48-months contract, with a yearly payment of \$11,529.06. The second was a 60-month contract with a yearly payment of \$9,762.45.

Belle Fourche Volunteer Fire Dept. Fundraiser

Fabricator, Sign Maker, Artist Cory Tolley is the owner of Mountain Man Metal Art. He is the fabricator who built the fire rescue truck that is being raffled off by the Belle Fourche Volunteer Fire Department.

Cory and his family move to Belle Fourche December 2019. Cory has three children: two boys, one daughter. The youngest will be starting high school this fall.

He built signs for over 20 years as owner of "The Sign Guyz" of Rapid City, SD. His experience has been doing custom fabrication and signs for over 25 years. He has worked in the movie industry; help building props, sets, precision driving, and custom vehicle modifications. Cory said, "I made the decision to move Belle

Fourche after marrying my wife, Darcy. She had relocated to Belle Fourche from North Dakota three years ago. She is a RN at Black Hills Healthcare System."

Since moving to Belle, Cory commented, "It didn't take me long to fall in love with this small town and the amazing people that live here."

He is merging his sign company with his metal art business. Mountain Man Metal Art will offer the following services to the area: vinyl signs; banners; vehicle & trailer lettering and wraps; large format full color printing; wood signs, steel signs; lighted signs; sublimation printing; cnc laser carving, etching and marking; cnc plasma cutting; cnc router (wood carving and custom wood work); custom metal fabrication, welding and metal art; Railings, and powder-coating.

Cory who grew up in Rapid City reconnected with his father who was and is in the film industry. Cory said, "I've spent time flying out and working for his company. The last film I worked on was called *Misfortune;* it won the Black Hills Film Festival. I appear for a few seconds in the post office scene but usually most of my work was behind the scenes."



Cory Tolley, owner of Mountain Man Metal Art stands by the raffle display in the Runnings store. Mountain Man can be reached at 605-858-1593 *Courtesy Photo*

Richards.

"We do have a truck to pull it," responded Heidrich. The commissioners opted for the 5-year plan.

"Kim (Richards) and I went and looked at a contour road groomer in Amadon, N.D.," said Heidrich. "It is a tractor pull, which pulls the ditch on one side." Heidrich said they would still use the disk they are currently using but would use the groomer to break the clods and larger amounts pulled up from the ditch.

Heidrich spoke about watching a demonstration of the

Roundup Grounds Site of Butte County Youth Rodeo

The Butte County Youth Rodeo was held Sunday July 12 at the Belle Fourche Roundup grounds.

Butte County Rodeo 2020 was formed when Covid-19 caused 4-H sanctioned events to be canceled.

Curt Westland is group President; Chad Pelster VP; andFaye Pelster Sec/ Treas.

Rodeo Committee members include Scott and Tami Ryan,

Jay & Abby Olson, Renee Collins. Other helpers were Brandi Czwach, Kevin & Ashley Jaeger, Gabby Bush, Clay, Chas,Chet, Cooper Crago, Brett Crowser, Jesse Thybo, Jan Persche, timer. Additonal volunteers helped in making the production a success.

Congratulations to Lainey Crago and Cooper Sampson. They were the 2020 high point saddle winners. Thank you to Geis Memorial and Westland Auction Service for sponsoring the saddles fro the event..

Excellent stock was provided by Sam Stoddard (roughstock), Dan Mundorf (calves), and Jordan and Chancy Miller (goats). The group wishes to offer a big thank you to all of the sponsors. The event wouldn't be possible without the support of these

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"Do we still need to find a truck to pull this trailer?" asked

equipment. "He pulled it from one side and then used the groomer. As it was breaking up, he'd move the tractor over a little bit and when it was all done it looked like it had just been graveled," he said.

Richards said it would prevent all the junk from being left on the road and that he hoped it would keep people from calling to complain. He said that the clods were broken in one shot.

"The only concern I had was that it might not work on our type of soil, referring to the

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Cooper Sampson, Boy's High Point with President Curt Westland -*Courtesy photo*



Lainey Crago Girl's High Point with President Curt Westland -*Courtesy photo*

101st Black Hills Roundup Parade has 104 Entries



Class of 2010 took first place in Reunion Floats during the 101st Black Hills Roundup Parade.

The 101st Black Hills Roundup's Parade featured 104 entries in the Black Hills area's longest parade.

Categories and winners were: Historic Horse Drawn Wagon/ Buggy, Black Hills Stock Show Foundation; Religious Organization, Belle Fourche Connection Church; Band Cowboy Band; Business Float, Pete's Clothing; Organization, Naja Cowboy's; Youth Group, Belle Fourche FFA; Riding Club(Horse), Patriotic Cowboys and Cowgirls 2020 Amy Jensen; Reunion, Class of 2010; Motorized Riding Group, New Generation Supplements; Best Dressed Western Youth 12 and under, Banjo Bandits; Musical Float, Chelsey Dee and Company.



Banjo Bandits, The New Wild West, was best dressed Youth 12 & Under during the 101st Black Hills Roundup Parade.

Crazy Days in Belle July 24 & 25

From ET Sports at the south end to Dakota Lumber on the north, and anywhere you shop in between the businesses in Belle will be featuring sales bargains and shopping savings.

Belle Fourche will be rolling out the racks as well as tables on the sidewalk and store wide bargains and savings in the air-conditioned comfort of their stores as they continue the annual tradition of Crazy Days in Belle Fourche, July 24 & 25.

Some folks in town credit longtime, now retired, businessman Pete Krush with starting the event in Belle. Whether he did or just fostered the concept his years in business the enthusiasm he lived and breathed about business in Belle is continuing on in this years event.

This week's Beacon has the start of the promotions you will see those days. Check out ads throughout the Beacon and especially on page A-5 for the Crazy Days bargains that await you.

Follow promotions from now through the 25th in the Beacon, on the radio, in the stores and on their Facebook pages.

Keep an eye out for additional bargains in the July 22nd issue of the Beacon as well. Shop Local is what it is about!

Thank You, from the Belle Fourche Prom Committee, to those who made the 2020 Prom a wonderful and memorable event:

Besler's Cadillac Ranch Butte County Sheriff's Dept Parents Who Care Bronc Booster Club JD Young Scott Reder John Baxendale

Jamie Hockenbary Danielle Hunt Jodie Baxendale~Jodie B Photography Karen Schlekeway Kayla Grams Craig Knapp-Subway And many parents.

With your help, the Belle Fourche Prom was a great event for our kids! Thank you all!



Obituaries Sara Lee Stark 95

Wed. July 15, 2020

2020.

Sara Lee Stark, 95, passed away on July 4. She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman, 3 sisters and 2 brothers. They had farmed in Nisland and Vale for many years. She is survived by her six children; Raymond Stark, Duane Stark, Rodney Stark, Randy Stark, Marilyn (Stark) Paverud and Charlene (Stark) Sedar, 13 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Willie Ruby. A memorial for extended family and friends will be held on Saturday,



July 11 at the Vale Community Hall in Vale, SD at 12:00 noon. She enjoyed needlework, playing Yahtzee and created many beautiful pictures with her coloring skills.

A memorial has been established to the Vale Community Hall.

The memorial service, for family only, will be live streamed on Behrens Wilson Funeral Home Facebook page beginning at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 10, *MEHRENS*



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When someone you love becomes a Memory, the memory becomes a Treasure. -Unknown-





Victoria Ann McIlvain 73

Victoria (Vickie) Ann (Parke) McIlvain passed away peacefully at the age of 73 at St. Vincent's Hospital in Billings, Montana on Thursday, July 2, 2020. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother, as well as a cherished friend.

Vickie was born in Twin Falls, Idaho in February of 1947 and grew up in Malta on the Parke Ranch along the Raft River. The family worked cattle, bucked meadow hay, trained cutting horses (and a zebra), rodeoed, and was active in

the Cassia County Fair. One of Vickie's favorite memories as a child was a trip to the racetracks in Santa Anita, California. During high school she was active in various organizations (Pep Club and Super Snooper who knew?!), and remained in touch with her friends and cousins in the Raft River Valley by regularly attending her class reunions. Vickie always had a strong connection to her family in southern Idaho. She often returned with her family to the Parke ranch in the summers. Her children recall day trips to the family homestead and exploring some of her favorite haunts like the City of Rocks, Black Pine Mountain, and the wagon ruts along the Hudspeth Cutoff of the California Trail.

She married Billy G. McIlvain of Big Spring, Texas in September of 1966. They lived briefly in southern Idaho and Dillon, Montana, where Vickie introduced Mitzi and Corey, the first of 4 children, to the outdoors by taking them to pan for gold, pick watercress, fish for trout, and explore the ghost town of Bannock. Next came a move to Belle Fourche, SD where Olin and Jody were born. During her thirteen years in South Dakota, she shared her laughter with numerous friends, and she became active in local churches and the Butte County Fair. Her children remember trips to Orman Dam to look for shark's teeth, a swimming hole in Spearfish Canyon, fishing at the



Bentonite Ponds, and driving the backroads of the Black Hills.

In 1987, the family moved to Huntley, Montana, where the next chapter of Vickie's life unfolded. When Malene, an exchange student from Denmark, came and lived with her family, Vickie gained another daughter. She enjoyed working at the Martinson's Ranch Chocolates and R&R Trading Post, volunteering at the Huntley Project Museum, and spending time with her

grandchildren. She was our biggest fan at track meets, baseball games, basketball games, football games, soccer games, and rodeos. It was here that she joined various sewing circles and created beautiful quilts, often with the help of her sister, Helen. She enjoyed gardening and counted cross-stitch; she made amazing Halloween costumes and personalized Christmas stockings for the grandkids

Vickie gave freely of herself. She was a joyful person who was full of life and love for her family and friends. She loved to reminisce and laugh and was always up for a new adventure. Her smile and zest for life will forever be missed.

Vickie's parents, Glen and Ada Parke of Malta, Idaho, precede her in death. She is survived by her husband Bill McIlvain; her children Mitzi Austin (Luke), Corey McIlvain (Jodie), Olin McIlvain, Jody McIlvain (Jamie); grandchildren Riley, Braden, Kade, Will, Kate, and Harper; and siblings Robert Parke (Karla), Helen Parke (Harold Ruby), and Patricia Parke-Gebauer (Galen).

Cremation has taken place. In consideration of family and friends, a Celebration of Life is planned for next year on July 17, 2021. In lieu of flowers, please think of sharing fond childhood and family memories with those you love.

Viola "Nan" Whatley 67

Viola "Nan" Whatley, age 67, of Belle Fouche, SD passed away on July 6th, 2020. Nan was born November 17, 1952, the youngest child born to Eugene and Doris (Hersom) Gilbert. She was raised in Hitchcock, SD with her three older sisters and one older brother. She was a small town, girl with big dreams. At age 24 she joined the United States Army with two young children in tow, Jennifer and Paul. She served her country as a Licensed Practical Nurse for 20 years, retiring as a Sergeant First Class. She was stationed in San Antonio, TX, Stuttgart, Germany, Fort Huachuca, AZ, back to Germany, and Fort Carson, CO. She was deployed to the Kuwaiti border during the U.S. invasion of Iraq. She sacrificed so much for the love of her country.

It was while she was stationed in Stuttgart, Germany that Nan met and married the love of her life, Loyd H. Whatley and became the mother of Loyd's children, Steven and Patricia "Andrea." The couple flew to Long Island, NY, were married by a local bishop and flew back home to Germany. Together, Nan and Loyd began their new lives together, raising their four children; Steven age 12, Jennifer age 8, Andrea age 8, and Paul age 6. Little did they know that although things were not always easy, that these children would form a bond that would last a lifetime.



for her family. Nan believed that anything could be accomplished with hard work and fortitude and she always made it a priority to celebrate their achievements.

Nan leaves a legacy of faith, forgiveness, strength, and unconditional love. Although she has left this world for the next, her influence will live on for generations.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Eugene and Doris Gilbert, brother, Donald Gilbert and brother-in-law, Daniel Steele.

She is survived by her husband, Loyd; her four children, Steven (Terri) Whatley of Troy, AL, Jennifer (Curtis) Rasmuson of Buffalo, WY, Patricia Fackrell of Casa Grande, AZ and Paul (Carol) Whatley of Huron, SD; Grandchildren, Brandi (Jonathan) Logsdon, Breanna Smith, Casey (Seth) Youngblood, Blaine (Emma) Rasmuson, Rylee Crosby, Seth (Avery) Rasmuson, Trevor, Ryan, and Cole Rasmuson, Noah, Ellie, and Morgan Whatley and great grandson, Hudson Ford; sisters, Lois (Dennis) Finnegan,

Janice (Jim) Brockel and Shirley Steele; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Visitation was one hour before services at the

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One of Nan's greatest characteristics as a mother was her unwavering belief that her children and grandchildren were capable of achieving any goal, whether great or small. She was a tireless cheerleader

church. Funeral services were held Friday, July 10, at 9:00 AM at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Belle Fourche. Interment followed at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis, with military honors by the Sturgis Veterans Honor Guard and the South Dakota National Guard.

An online guest book is available at klinefuneralchapel.com



Jim Sobotka **68**

Jim Sobotka, age 68 of Pine Haven WY and formerly Sheridan, died at his home on July 4, 2020.

Jim grew up in Dayton WY, attending Tongue River High School, where he still holds athletic records to this day. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps right out of high school in 1970. Jim was a LCpl, stationed in the Hawaiian Islands as a gunner, receiving multiple medals and was honorably discharged in 1972.

After the military, Jim began work as a lumberjack, but over the years he primarily worked as a mechanic, welder and metal fabricator. However, he was skilled in masonry, carpentry and heavy equipment as well. There was nothing he couldn't repair.

His passions lied in the outdoors and included ice fishing, hunting, camping, riding 4 wheelers in



the Big Horn Mountains, and hunting for mushrooms. He loved his grandkids, a good western, football, basketball and the occasional nickel machine in Deadwood.

Jim is survived by his wife of 20 plus years, Sherry Fox; 2 sisters, Barbara Bettcher and Marlene Latoush of Wyoming; 1 brother, Don Sobotka of South Carolina; 1 son, Shawn Sobotka of Arizona; 2 daughters, Leslie (Mike) Harder of Florida, Shawn (KC) Smith of Wy-

oming; grandkids, Mashayla, Ryan, Shelby and Nathan, and numerous nieces and nephews.

No services will be held. Services have been entrusted to Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche, SD. A guestbook is available online at: www.funer-

alhomeofthenorthernhills.com

LEVERINGTON FUNERAL HOME OF THE NORTHERN HILLS

Elizabeth "Betty" Brown 89

Elizabeth (Betty) Jane Brown was born July 30, 1930 in Newell, South Dakota as the youngest of six children to Harry and Ada (Greene) Cunningham. Betty often joked about being of "hardy pioneer stock" and anyone born in those times would have lived through difficult circumstances that would have tested and tried their faith. Betty graduated from Newell High School and attended Yankton College for a short time.

She met and married John Brown on June 25, 1951 and their marriage of 61 years was a blessing to their two daughters and their families. Betty worked many years in banking but her heart was always with her family and friends and how she could minister to them. Whether it was having people in for a meal, baking or cooking for her family, her kitchen was where you could find her.

To her grandchildren, she was known as the "Cookie Grandma". She knew each one's favorite cookie and then would delight in making them as a special secret gift to hide in their graduation luggage set. She would plan for weeks about what to hide in all the compartments that would highlight a special memory between her and her grandchildren. As the granddaughters grew up, they would all delight in spending a Saturday with "G'ma" learning how to make her special Christmas candies and cookies that would always be shared around the neighborhood.

Betty was an active member of St James Lutheran Church in Belle Fourche for many years. Her faith in Jesus as her Lord and Savior was evident in her life

every day. She would often profess that the "golden years" weren't always so golden but with God's help, she could make it through. Her legacy to her family will be her unwavering faith.

She was preceded in death by her husband John, her parents, and four siblings, Robert, Mabel, Donald, and Lois.

Betty is survived by her daughters: Deb (Kim) Richardson of Grant, NE, Barb (Mike) Hansen of Spearfish, and Tish (Gene) Beckwith of Reliance, SD, her sister Ruth Jones of O'Neill, NE, 11 grandchildren: Josh (Heather) Richardson, Jeremiah (Karyn) Richardson, Jarod (Jamie) Richardson, Justin (Debbie) Richardson, Julianna Richardson (Austin Bestgen), Anna (Ryan) Smith, Jerrold (Bethany) Hansen, Elizabeth (Jason) Gellett, Jonathan (Katharine) Hansen, Michael and Andrew Beckwith and 13 great grandchildren. She is also survived by numerous nephews and nieces along with siblings and their spouses of the Brown family.

Visitation will be 5 until 7 p.m. Friday at the Kinkade Funeral Chapel in Sturgis. Funeral services will be live streamed at Kinkade Funeral Chapel Facebook page. The graveside services which are open to the public will be held at Pine Slope Cemetery in Belle Fourche at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 18.

A memorial has been established in Betty's memory to Garden Hills Assisted Living in Spearfish.



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Vacation Bible School

Summer in Belle Fourche wouldn't be the same without Vacation Bible School (VBS). This year area churches are coming together to put together a Community VBS in Belle Fourche. The theme is Rocky Railway VBS: Jesus' power pulls us through.

A summer kids' event called Rocky Railway VBS will be hosted at Hermann Park from July 27, 28, 30, & 31. At Rocky Railway, kids discover through life's ups and downs that Jesus' power pulls us through. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, all in a safe outdoor environment, take part in one-of-a-kind

Bible Adventures, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with the Rock Wrap-Up that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special time at 7:30 pm. Rocky Railway is for kids from Pre K to 6th grade and will run from 5 pm to 8 pm each day. For more information, check out the Community VBS Belle Fourche page on Facebook, where you can pre-register your kids, or volunteer or by calling First Baptist Church 605-892-4178.





Wed. July 15, 2020

Area Church Schedules 605-642-0924 Envoys: Tim and Peggy North

BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH 1407 5th Ave. Belle Fourche 605-569-8380 Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM Bob Davis, Pastor ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL 6th and Roundup · 892-2446 The Rev. Evelyn Weaver The Rev. Sandy Williams, Priests Deacon Rev. Mike Weaver Sunday: 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. Prayer

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER 2020 Vista St · 892-4767 Paul Howard, Pastor Sunday Schedule: Long Term Care Service 8:45 a.m. Sunday School: All ages 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service: 10:45 a.m Evening Service: 6 p.m. CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS 1105 Todd St. Brad Buchholz, Bishop Sunday: 10 a.m. Sacrament Meeting Sunday School: 1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 a.m. Priesthood Meeting, Relief Society, Young Men and Young Women: 11 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays EMMANUEL BAPTIST (SBC) 902 Lawrence St. · 723-6899 Andy Anderson, Pastor Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday Schoo 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Wednesday: 6 p.m. Prayer Service CONNECTION CHURCH (SBC) 613 Sixth ave., Belle Fourche (605)-210-2150 Pastor Stephen Carson Worship Pastor Ashton Rone Sunday Worship: 9:00 & 10:30 a.m FIRST BAPTIST 807 8th Ave. 892-4178 Pastor Tim Smith Sunday: Sunday School - 9:15am Morning Worship - 10:30am Tuesday: 10:00am Ladies Bible Study Wednesday: Salt and Light Youth Kindergarten -12th grade 5:00pm Soup & Sandwich 5:30pm - Salt and Light FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 1120 North Fifth Street, Spearfish 605-645-3513 • 🕞

Pastor Bruce K. Oyen

Sunday:

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Mass Times

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Upcoming Scheduled Events

The Belle Fourche Chamber board of directors and volunteers are working to safely bring more of our traditional events and some new ones online for our community. As such we have begun scheduling out our monthly luncheons. Here is the schedule: * Wednesday, July 29th at The Branding Iron Steakhouse 12noon - 1pm Black Hills Roundup Committee - Recap of 101st Roundup

No Luncheon in August. * Wednesday, September 9th at Grap's Burgers & Brews (backroom) 12noon - 1pm Midco Communications -Overview of the Broadband Grant work in Belle Fourche * Wednesday, October 14th at The Branding Iron Steakhouse 12noon - 1pm Nathan Velander, Director of the Belle Fourche Area Community Center - New Programs & Happenings at the BFACC.

We also have some fun events coming up as well that give both our business members and community members a chance to network and participate:

1st Annual Belle Fourche Golf Tournament - Friday, August 28th, 4pm We are looking forward to starting a new tradition and event in Belle Fourche with



this golf tournament. We are fortunate in Belle Fourche to have such a wonder community asset like the Belle Fourche Country Club. They are partnering with us on this event. It will be a 9-hole, 4-person scramble tournament. Some fun extras such as a poker run, target contest and putting contests will also be included. Businesses & individuals are invited to participate. \$60 per person / \$240 per team. We will announce some special deals and sponsorship opportunities as we get closer to the event. We hope to see you on the course and see some friendly competition between local businesses!

Fall Flavors "Dinner in the Field" will also be scheduled in the September timeframe. Watch our website and Facebook page for more on that event as we get closer to it.

While the summer is flying by it seems, there are still some great events around our community hosted by other organizations. Hometown Thursdays will have concerts downtown each Thursday in July. Additionally, The Belle

Fourche Arts Council is hosting three concerts in Herrmann Park on Wednesdays in July starting this week, July 15th. To our member businesses, if you are holding any events, please let us know so that we may help spread the word to our

community and beyond. Lastly, each week our Le Belle March Community Farmer's Market continues to grow. As we progress towards fall, we expect to see more produce and food items to be available from our vendors. Markets are held each Thursday from 4pm – 7pm across from our office on Grant Street. Interested vendors may register online at https://www. bellefourchechamber.org/farmers-market.

From all of us at the Belle Fourche Chamber, we value each of our members and are continually looking for ways to serve you better. We are now in the process of interviewing candidates for the Executive Director position and expect to finalize that process in August. In the interim, our office is fully staffed with a vibrant group of volunteer Ambassadors ready to take your call and be of assistance. If you have ideas, questions or concerns, please reach out to us. If you wish to speak with any of our board members, you can find their contact information listed on our website. We are here to help. Mona Heimbaugh, Secretary

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Red Onion Community Market Day at 19024 Olive Lane, Highway 34, in Belle Fourche saw a steady stream of patrons at its Saturday debut.



Red Onion Marketplace founder/owners Robin and James Ager (Left) pictured with grandchildren Delila and Lincoln Ager and Robin's mother Sally Elenberger.



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Wille Ellen Thomas 96

Willie Ellen Thomas, 96, of Las Vegas, NV died April

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Graveside services will be held Sunday, July 19 at 11:30 AM at Pine Slope Cemetery in Belle Fourche.

Billye Jo Casteel Memorial Service

Friends and family are invited to attend a memorial service in memory of Billye Jo (Davis) Casteel who passed away on May 4, 2020.

Jo was the beloved wife of Guy Casteel, mother of Wanda Casteel, Lynn (Josh) Nixon, Kelly (Miranda) Casteel, and grandmother of Madison and Avery Casteel. A private family service was held on Mother's Day.

A celebration of life honoring Billye Jo will be held on her birthday, Sunday, July 19, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., with services beginning at 2:00 p.m., at the family ranch, 13273 Milberg Road, Newell, SD.

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Chelsey Dee & Company





CHELSEY DEE & COMPANY, was formerly known as Whiskey Bent Band. They opened on State Street July 4th for Tris Munsick and the Innocents. See them on State Street on Thursday Evening, July16, 2020 from 6 PM – 9 PM All welcome. Vendors, Food & Refreshments!



Jack Frost celebrated his 87th birthday on July 12th. The correct address at Rolling Hills Care Center if you wish to send him a note of Birthday **Greetings** is 2200 13th Street, Room 204, Belle Fourche 57717

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Community Theater Presents Original Play

Belle Fourche, SD: Belle Fourche Area Community Theater will be presenting the premiere episode of 'Jupiter & Mars,' an online audio play written by BFACT alumni and performed entirely online. The first episode will premiere as a Facebook Live event on July 28 at 7pm at https://www.facebook.com/BFCTheater/. The next two episodes will premiere on August 11 and August 25, respectively. The remaining 6 episodes' release dates are still to come. After the premiere of each episode, they can be found on our YouTube account, all for free.

'Jupiter & Mars' was conceived after BFACT had to cancel two summer shows that were scheduled for June and

August and a fundraiser because of COVID-19. It is hard right now to practice in person and have shows in theaters with possibly hundreds of people so a decision was made to create an online-only show. A writer's group of BFACT alumni has been meeting for a couple of months now, all virtual meetings, writing the nine episodes. Casting was done via Zoom meetings and each episode has been recorded online so there has been no in-person contact by anyone working on this production. This is definitely a unique way to create a show, but has been a positive experience by those working on it. The end-result will also be a unique experience for those in the area.

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Colts Youth Football program is looking to add to our rosters for this football season. You can contact us on our Facebook page or go online to BHYFL.com to register. We will also have a Colts booth at Hometown Thursday Nights on July 16th and July 23rd if you would like to register or have any questions.

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Registration fees with the code Colts20 on the BHYFL.com page: Football (K-6): \$120 Cheer (K-6): \$85 These prices are good until July 31,2020. We are also looking for any volunteers for football and cheer! Hope to see you soon.

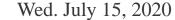


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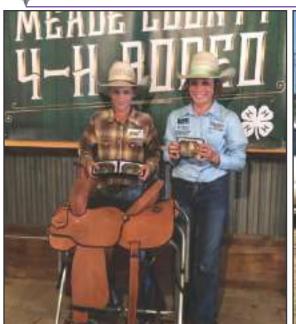


SD Pork Producers and Lynn's Dakotamart teamed up to provide over 200 free pork sandwiches last week.









Jet Jensen & Lainey Crago, both of Belle Fourche, earned All-Around honors at the Meade County 4H Rodeo in Faith winning saddles. Jet took first in goat tying & flag racing and second in breakaway. Lainey won the breakaway and was second in goat tying & pole bending. *Courtesy photo*



Shyanne Howell and her horse "Remington", 7, Shyanne trained as a 4 year old on the barrel pattern. She won senior barrel racing buckles at Buffalo 4-H and Belle Fourche Youth Rodeo. *Courtesy photo*



Butte Cty. Youth Rodeo Pickup men Jesse Tybo (top) and Chet Crago *Chas Crago Facebook photos*

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sandy soil they had seen the demonstration on.



2020 Youth Rodeo volunteer Kevin Jeager and Rodeo Sec/Treasurer Faye Pelster in the Roundup Grounds rodeo office *Courtesy photo*

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Construction to take care of that road. They are using centipedes, 32-axels, and now they have belly dumps." "They've been stringing us along from the beginning," said Richards. "They keep disappearing," said Heidrich. "They say they're going to do something and then they don't and they have four years left on that contract (at the gravel pit)." Break Printing; Hills Interior; St. Onge Livestock; David Pummel and Associates; Frontier Glass; Hersrud's ; Thompson Livestock; Ketel Thorstenson; Center of the Nation Wool; Ralph and Becky Crago; Dakota Lumber; Wheeler Lumber; Coop's Barbershop Friend of the Rodeo - \$35: Rich Kokesh and Family; Econolodge; Pete's Clothing; Ainsworth Benning; Randy's Tire; Ken and Pam Hansen; Prestige Auto; and W. Wolff

The meeting brought about the acceptance of the Federal Aid Bridge Replacement awards for three bridges. One is located on 212 East of Newell 27 miles, one east of Newell on Old 212 approximately 14 miles and another on Old 85 15.5 miles north and 2.5 miles east. "You did not receive the award for the one on Old 85, 32.8 miles north," said Hanson. They discussed also the box culvert on Snoma over Maloney Creek by Scott Reders. Due to the fact that the north side of the box culvert had washed away and made the culvert unstable. They decided to bring in concrete barricades and block off the north side of the road for safety precautions.



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Heidrich said the company, Balling Equipment had three on hand and that he could be in contact with the owner, Mike Bayland quickly. The commission approved the purchase. The commission also heard information about issues on the Wilson Cemetery Road, which is once more in very bad condition. They never did have a haul agreement signed by Western Construction, which is using the road to transport heavy loads of gravel.

"Roth Trucking was working on it," said Heidrich. "It's like pulling teeth to get Western "As long as the pit is in operation, they're responsible," said Richards.

The commission decided to put up weight-limit signs by July 13 and then try to get a haul road agreement signed to bring the road back into satisfactory condition.

Pastor's PerspectiveThis week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by
Jean Helmer, Joy Fisher Ministries.Pointing Fingers at Color

Sometimes, something stops us in our tracks, and we see an ordinary thing with new eyes. There is a Holy Presence in these moments. They are God Pauses.

Seeing world through the eyes of young children brings God pauses into my life. When toddling great-granddaughter Nadia planted her feet firmly on the sidewalk and stared transfixed at the bluebells which stood to her shoulder, she froze. Her eyes widened. She touched a blossom with a single finger and whispered, "Wow!" She turned to make certain I was watching. She pointed her finger at the blossoms and repeated, "Wow!"

While I had walked past those flowers daily, I had missed the WOW. Thoreau said, "God laughs in flowers." Thoreau was right, and my ears had not heeded God's laughter. My eyes had not recognized the beauty before them.

I was reminded of another time when a child opened my eyes to the beauty around me. Our daughter, now Nadia's grandmother, was working to define the things in her world. We lived on a farm and visits to Grandma's house in town amazed her. Grandma had next-door neighbors.

"Whose house?" the child would ask, pointing.

Mom's replies varied with the direction Patti pointed. "Vi Voyles lives there—that's where Honi Ann Walk lives--that's Mary Black's house back there." Our threeyear-old who was learning her colors was fascinated with Mary Margaret's name. "Mary Black," she would repeat solemnly.

That spring we moved to Belle Fourche and Patti suddenly had next-door neighbors. The Schnaight family had adopted a caramel-skinned daughter. Mary was a precocious 4-year-old. The two girls became friends and played in the back yards. I can only imagine the conversation that preceded my child coming home in tears.

"What's wrong?" I asked when Patti ran into the house crying and rubbing her arms.

"I don't like my skin," she wailed, rubbing more furiously.

"Why? What's wrong with your skin?" "It's not pretty like Black Mary's."

I comforted her as we spoke of people's names and of skin tones. The issue seemed to be resolved until a trip to the grocery store confirmed that Patti was still thinking about her friend Mary. Patti's actions brought a God Pause that continues to move me.

Although directed to stay next to me, Patti wandered ahead when I was reading labels. She got

my full attention when she gasped, "Mommy, look at that man! Look at his skin!" She stood pointing at a uniformed member of the USAF Det. 21.

My eyes flew to my child and then to the man whose eyes locked with mine. His skin was a rich bluish-black ebony. My jaw dropped. "I'm so sorry," I stammered, flushing bright red. "She's never . . ."

Patti continued staring and speaking loudly and clearly. "Isn't he pretty, Mommy? His skin is beautiful!" Then, without pausing to breathe, she addressed the airman directly. "Can I touch you?"

The airman smiled, said, "Yes, ma'am," and bent toward her.

She reached out a single finger and touched him, and then, bolder, stroked his hand with her palm. She compared their hands. "Pretty," she repeated, "so pretty!"

He chatted with her a bit. I thanked the beautiful man for his kindness. He smiled and disappeared down the next aisle.

That God Pause dares me to see the world through a child's eyes. It is the challenge Jesus gives in Matthew 18:3: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

I wonder how our world might be if we could see one another the way young children see us. What kind of world could have if we recognized the beauty in others? How would being greeted with, "You're beautiful!" change our perspective of today? May God give us the eyes of a three-year-old. Amen. Visit us at DakotaLumber.DoItBest.com

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Self-Actualization of your **Community!**

Mother Teresa once said, "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples." To change a community, how might we learn from Mother Teresa and "Maslow's - Hierarchy of Needs"? Can this quote and Maslow apply equally to a community just as it might apply to each of us

individually? Maslow indicates we must meet the lower level of individual needs such as food, shelter and so forth before we can climb to the higher levels of the pyramid. I would suggest a community might likewise strive to first meet the basic needs of their citizens. Those community needs are much the same as individual needs. Instead of food, we strive for basic amenities such as police and fire. In lieu of basic shelter, it might be the ability to offer affordable housing. Those are but a couple basic entry points for a successful community. In other words, provide inexpensive ways for people to survive within your community by meeting their basic community needs. But just as Maslow taught, those are only short term, simple or basic needs; we should always strive for much loftier goals. The real end game for the community is to achieve self-actualization by reaching the top level of the pyramid. That level is where you have the wishes of your heart's desire. Translated in community terms, that means higher wage opportunities that attract our younger generations. It means good roads, great parks and gathering places, local and unique shopping experiences and restaurants. Of course, the higher you go up the pyramid,



stuck on the lower levels John Newby of the pyramid. This can be due to various reasons, some controllable and some not quite as controllable. The lower end of Maslow's pyramid was never meant to be the end game

ture hyper-local revenue from locally owned and operated businesses that will ultimately power the community forward.

We must realize that local dollars spent at non hyper-local entities, while necessary at times, carry a 3-7X lower return or impact to their community than dollars spent at hyper-locally owned and operated businesses. Without understanding the real economic return on those hyper-local dollars, communities often make financial decisions that have long-term dire economic consequences.

Dollars spent hyper-locally are the life-blood of our community; it must flow freely to help maintain full health. The more wounds (non hyper-local spending) we have in our economic blood flow, the weaker our community immune systems become. Many communities fail to have a well-balanced economic eco-system that balances and provides equal incentives and so forth for local entrepreneurs. Without this equal emphasis on hyper-local business, the outflow of economic blood becomes economically stifling and the community slowly dies as city governments have less and less of a revenue base to work with each passing year. The growing onslaught of online consumer options is getting even more competitive. With cities courting more and more big box and chains that move those valued local dollars to Wall Street rather than Main Street, they risk being out of balance and falling into the economic trap. Building the hyper-local business base is the only way out of what some refer to as the community death spiral. Shopping Truly-Local isn't simply a nice thing to do; it is essential for your city to survive in the future.

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How do communities come to realize the ultimate goal of self-actualization? We must first realize the real economic threats to our communities. By doing so, we can alter the course or path that we may be on. Many small towns are withering and dying as hyper-local businesses shut their doors giving way to big boxes, chains and online options. In the future, it won't only be smaller communities withering, they will be joined by midsized communities that have failed to understand the true economic threats brewing on the horizon. These trends have only accelerated the past few months in the age of Covid.

The lower portion of Maslow's pyramid when referring to communities is the big boxes, chains and online options. Those assets are certainly needed to firm up the bottom of the pyramid, but will never move your community to self-actualization. Communities must understand to achieve community self-actualization, they must seek ways to cap-







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The Good Stuff

by Jim Thompson In the midst of a pandemic, riots, a Congress that can't seem to help, sometimes we just need to chuckle. This one should do it:

It's the Thought that Counts

Three sons left home, went out into the business world and all prospered.

Getting back together, they discussed the gifts that they were able to give to their elderly mother.

- The first said: "I built a big house for our mother."
- The second said: "I sent her a Mercedes with a driver."

The third said: "I've got you both beat. You know how Mom enjoys the Bible and you know she can't see very well. I sent her a brown parrot that can recite the entire Bible. It took twenty monks in a monastery 12 years to teach him. I had to pledge to contribute \$100,000 a year for twenty years but it was worth it. Mom just has to name the chapter and verse, and the parrot will recite it."

Soon thereafter, Mom sent out her letters of thanks.

She wrote to the first son: "Milton, the house you built is too big. I live in only one room, but I have to clean the whole house.

She wrote to the second son: "Marvin, I am too old to travel. I stay home all the time, so I never used the Mercedes and the driver is so rude."





2020 Black Hills Roundup

Riggin Smith Following Family Success with Belle Fourche Win

BELLE FOURCHE - Saddle bronc riding is in the blood for Winterset, Iowa, cowboy Riggin Smith.

'My grandpa, my dad, my

uncles, my cousins . . . it's just kind of a thing we do," laughed Smith, who noted his dad also rode barebacks, hence his name Riggin. "And we've all tried everything, but for some reason, we all end up bronc riders."

But Smith didn't fall in love with his family's sport immediately.

"I didn't really like it until college," he said. "I really thought I wanted to be a bull rider."

The reigning college national champion saddle bronc rider won't be regretting his career change any time soon, particularly after picking up a big win during the lucrative Cowboy Christmas Fourth of July run at Fourche. He notched an 88.5-point ride on Powder River Rodeo's Miss Valley, a horse he'd seen via video. "I'd seen videos of guys get-

ting thrown off her," Smith said "But they all said she's a bucker but if a guy can stay down on her, you can be a bunch of points. She was the one I was most looking forward to getting on this week."

Miss Valley did not disappoint.

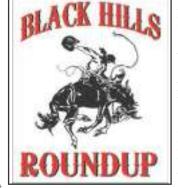
"It was awesome. I could tell she was really bucking but she had so much timing, all I could do was smile on her," Smith said. "I told my hauling buddies I'd get on her every day if they'd let me."

Smith picked up \$5,725, about the amount he trailed Lane Schuelke by in the 2020 PRCA | Resistol Rookie of the Year standings. Smith entered

season. "My goals are to ride as good as I can on every horse. I have goals in mind – I want to make the Finals (Wrangler National Finals Rodeo) and win the Rookie – but I figure if I focus on riding every horse as good as I can, that stuff will shape out the way it's supposed to.'

Steer roper Landon Mc-Claugherty broke the arena record for a go round in Belle Fourche (which was first broken in the second round by Vin Fisher Jr.) when he won the third go round with 8.7 seconds. J. Tom Fisher set a record for the average, besting the old mark by a full second with 32.2 seconds on three head.

Other winners at the \$220,395 rodeo were all-around cowboy Tuf Cooper (\$4,700, tie-down roping and steer roping); bareback rider Kaycee Feild (90.5 points on Powder River Rodeo's Two Buck Chuck); steer wrestler Tyler Waguespack (3.4 seconds); team ropers Levi Simpson and Shay Dixon Carroll (4.5 seconds); tie-down rop-



She wrote to the third son: "Dearest Melvin, you were the only son to have the good sense to know what your mother likes. The chicken was delicious!"

I believe this is one you'll be telling over coffee later...:)

Sturgis' Levi Lord Big Mover Over 4th

Every dollar counts, and making the Top 15 in the world standings early establishes a solid base and builds a cowboy's confidence during the summer run.

Nobody knows this better than team roping heeler Levi Lord who jumped 22 spots, from 32nd to 10th, thanks to the \$16,333 he and partner Nelson Wyatt earned. Among the highlights of their week was winning the Sitting Bull Stampede in Mobridge, S.D.,

for \$4,009.

- The pair also picked up: • \$5,933 at the Cody (Wyo.)
- Stampede • \$3,344 at the Black Hills
- Roundup in Belle Fourche, S.D.
- \$2,265 at the Bigfork (Mont.)
- Summer ProRodeo
- \$783 at the World's Oldest Rodeo in Prescott, Ariz.

Lord, 24, nearly qualified for his first NFR in 2019 when he finished 19th in the world with \$62,095 while roping alongside Wyatt

2020 PRCA World Standings

(Leader plus South Dakota Contestants in the top 50 as of 7/5/20)

(Leader plus South Dakota Contestants in the top 50 as of 7/5/20)						
Bareback	x \$91,078.87	36. Jade Blackwell Rapid City, SD \$12,666.14				
4. Jamie Howlett Rapid City, SD	\$49,171.14	38. Chuck Schmidt Keldron, SD \$12,452.47				
25. Shane O'Connell Rapid City, SD	\$15,044.87	48. Jacob Kemmerer Philip, SD \$7,591.51				
Steer Wrest	ing	Tie-Down Roping				
1. Matt Reeves	\$85,212.99	1. Shad Mayfield \$143,963.72				
6. Jace Melvin	<i>\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\</i>	50. Trey Young				
Ft. Pierre, SD	\$32,946.30	Dupree, SD \$9,044.70				
24. Eli Lord Sturgis, SD	\$17,168.29	Steer Roping				
44. Taz Olson	φ17,100.29	1. Billy Good \$28,740.67				
Prairie City, SD	\$9,762.98	11. Jess Tierney				
		Hermosa, SD \$17,348.70				
Team Roping H		40. Ora Taton				
1. Luke Brown	\$70,980.74	Rapid City, SD \$4,870.78				
34. Jr. Dees Aurora, SD	\$13,850.18	42. Brian Garr Belle Fourche, SD \$3,255.82				
Autora, SD	φ13,050.10	47. J.R. Olson				
Team Roping H	eelers	Whitewood, SD \$2,734.00				
1. Joseph Harrison	\$63,755.11					
10. Levi Lord		Barrel Racing				
Sturgis, SD	\$31,023.71	14. Jessica Routier				
Saddle Bro		Buffalo, SD \$23,413.74				
	\$138,997.05	15. Lisa Lockhart Oelrichs, SD \$23,121.14				
5. Shorty Garrett	φ130,997.05	Oeirichs, SD \$23,121.14				
Eagle Butte, SD	\$51,138.88	Bull Riding				
6. Cole Elshere	, - ,	(No SD riders in top 50)				
Faith, SD	\$40,336.26	1. Sage Kimzey \$73,236.80				
19. Taygen Schuelke Newell, SD	¢01 045 06	All-Around				
27. Lane Schuelke	\$21,845.06	(None in top 9)				
Newell, SD	\$15,886.93	1. Tuf Cooper \$66,943.73				
34. Ty Manke	. ,	Decatur, TX				
Rapid City, SD	\$13,218.47					

the 101st Black Hills Round-Up in Belle Fourche, S.D., on July 4.

The stop at the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame event was the third of four for Smith and hauling partners PRCA standings leader Wyatt Casper and Lefty Holman.

"We started at Prescott, then did Oakley, Belle Fourche and Cody," he said. "It was pretty easy."

The only challenge, in fact, was getting from Belle Fourche to Cody. The trio hit a deer on the road and were rescued by PRCA and WPRA world champions Byron and Mary Walker.

"It was quite an ordeal of a day," said Smith after finishing just out of the money in Cody on the Fourth of July. "We were actually headed to Buffalo to golf . . . we like to golf." Smith will be able to help with his share of the repair bill thanks to the big win in Belle

the Fourth of July run 35th in the PRCA | RAM World Standings.

"We're going to enter everything under the sun," laughed Smith of his group's plans for the COVID-19 shortened

er Cooper Martin (7.7 seconds); steer roper J. Tom Fisher (32.2 seconds on three head); barrel racer Lisa Lockhart (16.94 seconds); and bull rider Garrett Smith (89.5 points on Powder River Rodeo's Bear Claw).



Riggin Smith reaches full extension aboard Powder River Rodeo's Miss Valley on his way to winning the Roundup with an 88.5 pt ride on July 3rd. - Western Sky Media Photo

Funding Available for Outdoor Recreation

PIERRE, S.D. - South Dakota State Parks and Recreation Director Scott Simpson announced today that applications are being accepted for grants from the Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF).

Public outdoor recreation projects sponsored by city, county, township and tribal governments are eligible to receive the grant money.

"Outdoor recreation is important to a healthy community," Simpson said. "The variety of recreational activities that local parks have to offer allows families to spend time together close to home."

The Land & Water Conservation Fund provides up to 50 percent reimbursement for approved outdoor recreation projects.



"Grants will be awarded for development or renovation of public outdoor recreation facilities or the acquisition of park land. We will consider grant requests for public outdoor recreation projects seeking at least \$10,000 in grant assistance," Simpson said.

The application deadline is September 15, 2020.

LWCF funds are federal dollars that are apportioned to states by Congress to fund public outdoor recreation projects.

Application packets are available on the Game, Fish and Parks website. For more information contact Grants Coordinator Randy Kittle at 605-773-5490 or by email at randy.kittle@state.sd.us

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New School Superintendent Settles In

Hoping to make the next generation better.

BETTY BRUNER

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NEWELL – Andrew Fergen has joined the staff at Newell School as the new superintendent with a philosophy that encompasses shaping the next generation of Newell students to become better farmers, ranchers, dentists, doctors, businessmen and women, or whatever they desire to become. He hopes to impact as many students and adults as possible.

"We can mold the future [as educators]," Fergen said. He is enthusiastic when he begins to describe his desire to be part of the education of Newell students.

Fergen is joined by his wife, Heather who is also an educator, five-year-old son, Jerome, and three-year-old Cora. They have moved here from the Corsica-Stickney school district where Fergen was principal and AD.

As an alumnus from Northern State University in Aberdeen, SD, Fergen began to teach in 2009. He added a Master's Degree to his Bachelor's Degree in 2012. In 2019 he stepped up to add Educational Specialist to his list of accomplishments. Coaching football, wrestling, and track enhance his accomplishments, along with bus driving and teaching.

He is a South Dakota native, having grown up in the Dimmock area. His early life was shaped working on the farm with his family where he learned many lessons about teamwork.

One of Fergen's main goals is to make a safe environment for Newell students. Already he has joined several other members of the Newell education scene, including teachers, school board

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NEWELL - "I chose to participate for the impact it would have on the local economy and jobs," said local rancher Ray Crowser. Crowser's property is just one of the local ranchers where giant wind turbines will turn in the South Dakota breezes. "For me, it has also meant great roads on my property. I'm 75 and in my lifetime, I might see them shut down coal forever. I 100 percent support this project. I think the turbines are gorgeous and I only see pros for the community."

Located on approximately 20,000 acres of private ranch land northeast of the small community of Newell, the \$210 million wind farm has seen both support and some early protests by locals in the area.

Most of the concerns have gone by the wayside, especially with the advent of a \$50,000 shot in the arm of the local economy through a donation provided by Orsted, a global energy company which develops, constructs and is a long-term owner of offshore and onshore wind farms, solar farms, energy storage facilities and other power plants. This project includes 38 wind turbines with the potential to produce up to 450,000 megawatt hours of electricity per year.

The ownership lineage of the project started with Wind Quarry, which sold the project to Pattern Energy. Then ownership was transferred to Lincoln Clean Energy (LCE). In October 2018, Orsted purchased LCE and along with it the responsibility for the construction of the farm.

The company partners with subcontractors for supplying the turbines, and civil and electrical contractors. The expected date of completion is the end of 2020, pending achievement of all construction milestones.

Up to 150 construction jobs have been created through the project with five of those transitioning into permanent local positions. They will be located here throughout the expected 20-30-year lifetime. The project creates property tax revenue as well as supporting project landowners who receive long-term rental income by hosting the turbines. Orsted will continue to be responsible for maintaining roadways and making other infrastructure improvements related to the wind farm site.

"Everyone is somehow touched by this pandemic (Covid 19)", said Haley Lidji, on behalf of the Orsted company. "We approached local leaders in several different communities (including Newell) where we are constructing and operating projects. For Willow Creek, we pursued a donation to a reputable statewide organization called South Dakota Community Foundation, which allocates money to a local organization that came recommended by local leaders." There is the potential for up to \$50,000 to be



GOING UP - Large cranes break up the skyline on the prairie as they lift the individual sections of each wind turbine tower into place at the Willow Creek Windfarm project, located northeast of Newell. - *Brunner photo*

infused into the local NVN area through support organizations such as the Newell Community Club, Newell Lions Club, NVN Ministerial Association and the NVN Food Pantry. "A primary purpose of the donation is to provide economic relief to our project communities, which includes addressing demand at the food pantry," said Lidji.



PROJECT UNDERWAY - A wide variety of equipment and workers is swarming the prairie northeast of Newell. Deer's Ears Butte (center) provides a background to identify the area where the Willow Creek Windfarm is being constructed. - *Brunner photo*

Orsted Wind Farm Project Moves Forward

members, and the South Dakota Department of Health, and developed a plan for opening school safely.

Some of the highlights of the

SUPERINTENDENT B4



Andrew Fergen joins the staff at Newell School as Superintendent. - *Bruner photo*

Life in a Fireworks Shack -



RAISING THE ROOF - Tommy Gifford sits atop a small shed he owns with his wife Leah, at the junction of Highways 212 and 79 south of Newell. The couple sells fireworks out of the shed for nine days at the end of June and beginning of July. - *Brunner photo*

NEWELL – For nine long days, Leah and Tommy Gifford of Newell spend their time in a blistering hot little tin shack at the junction of Highways 212 and 79 south of Newell. In those few days they sell thousands of dollars' worth of fireworks, usually selling out well before the end of the time.

Most local fireworks sellers are limited to June 27 through July 5 for their stands. Any other fireworks is sold through commercial avenues.

"We sell till they're gone," said Leah, who along with Tommy have been at the location for the past 10 years. "We usually run out."

Gifford said the business has been 'in the family' for 20 years, passing from cousins to cousins who have kept the business going. It's a great spot according to the couple, with the location of the two connecting highways making it very visible.

— The fourth brings nine long days. by Betty Brunner

"This is our 11th year, with his cousins having sold it to us," she said. "They showed us what to buy and we pretty much order the same amount every year. We buy what we like." If they don't sell all the fireworks then they usually fire the remainder off on New Years when it is legal to do so.

The Gifford's were being assisted in a little facelift for the small building which they own, and is located on property owned by Bruce Gotfredson. The Gifford's obtain he fireworks license to sell each year.

Assisting the couple were Leah's aunt and uncle, Pam and Randy Seaman. Leah's father is Dan Seaman. The four were re-roofing the building on June 23, while preparing for the nine-day marathon.



NVN REGIONAL

A Heartfelt Thank You!

I would like to extend to all of you a heartfelt Thank You for the tremendous outpouring of cards, letters, and phone calls I received on my 90th Birthday on July 7th. They were truly a blessing I shall never forget. May God Bless you all,

Eleanor Milberg

From B3 **SUPERINTENDENT**

plan involve personal hygiene, temperature taking, consistent seating on the buses and in the classroom, and social distancing. Students will be instructed in the use of Google Classroom in case of the necessity of being out of school. However, as Fergen stated, the more kids are in the school building the better their education will be. "It's a challenge," he said.

"But I want to see the kids and be a part of their lives." The opening day of school, August 19, is coming soon and Mr. Fergen will have the opportunity to meet the students of Newell School in the near future.

Newell HS Athletic Awards

By: BETTY BRUNER Photos by Betty Brunner

NEWELL - NHS athletes were recognized Sunday evening, June 28th, at an informal gathering with a few family members present. Plans had been made to have the award ceremony outside, but the weather turned into wind and rain, sending everyone inside for the event.

Coaches handed out the awards to honor those athletes who had made a mark in the 2019-2020 school year.

Football

Tucker Gaer-Football MVP Offense, LMC Honorable Mention Hunter Wetz-Football MVP Defense, All-LMC Wyatt McGraw-Football Most Improved Neuly Mahaffy-Football LMC Honorable Mention Huttson Weeldreyer-Football All-LMC, Boys Basketball Defensive MVP

Wrestling Chase VanDerBoom-Wrestling Most Valuable Wrestler Caleb McGregor-Most Valuable Wrestler

Boys Basketball David Morell-Boys Basketball Offensive MVP, LMC Honorable Mention John Jackson-Team MVP, LMC Honorable Mention, Career Male Athlete Award

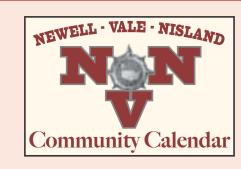
Girls Basketball Lexa Burtzlaff-Girls Basketball Irrigator Award Kayden Steele-Girls Basketball LMC 1st Team, Offensive MVP Austin Alexander-Girls Basketball LMC Honorable Mention, Defensive MVP, Cross Country Most Valuable Runner, Volleyball Best Team Player, Career Female Athlete Award, Academic All-Conference

Cross Country Nathaniel Kirby-Cross Country MVP Mick King-Cross Country Most Improved

Volleyball Kassidy Weeldreyer-Volleyball Most Improved Kyla Emmert-LMC Honorable Mention, Team MVP

Academic All-Conference Huttson Weeldrever, Austin Alexander, Abbie Nelson, and Caleb Mutchler.

Career Athletes John Jackson, Austin Alexander



Coaching positions available at Newell school: Asst. HS Volleyball, Head HS Boys' Basketball, Head Wrestling, Golf, Pep Band, MS Asst. Football, MS Asst. Volleyball, MS Wrestling. They are also in need of bus drivers for the 2020-2021 year. Please contact the school at 456-2393 for any of these positions or email Steven.Schoenfish@k12. sd.us if interested.

Open gym on Monday and Wednesday at 5 p.m. for volleyball. Contact Coach Tysha McDonald for more information.

Mechanic position at 212/79: Contact Chandra at 456-0133 or Jean at 890-0537.

Sunday, July 26: Awards night for those who have participated in three of four Newell Rodeo Playdays.

Tuesdays: Little League, Fast Pitch, and T-ball. Ages 3-14. Contact Courtney Barerra at 391-3169 for information.

Newell School fall school schedule survey: https://bit.ly/2OjjMpE

July 16, 21, 23, 278, 30: Free Youth Golf training. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please bring your own clubs. Open to kindergarten through sixth grade.

July 17: FREE Movie Night at the Nisland/ Arpan Firehall. Showing the movie Fireproof at dusk. Bring your own chair or a sleeping bag to lay on. Will set up in front of firehall on cement pad. FREE popcorn/treats/drinks. Sponsored by Nisland Independent Community Church.

July 21: Feeding South Dakota truck will be at the NVN Senior Center from 12:30-1 p.m. with free produce, non-perishable and some frozen products. Do not need to meet qualifications.

July 21: County commission meeting in commissioners' room at Butte County Courthouse @ 1 p.m.

July 22: Whatever It Takes Coalition meeting at Newell Golf Course at 11:30 a.m. A free meal will be served.

July 31: 4-H Youth Livestock Sale at St. Onge Livestock. Sale starts at 7 p.m. and is preceded by a FREE appreciation BBQ meal.

Aug. 1: Vale Fire Department Corn Feed Fundraiser-Burgers, Hot dogs, Sweet Corn provided. Bring a side dish to share. At the Community Center at 4 p.m.

Aug. 4: Newell Improvement Corporation meeting at Butte Electric at 6 p.m.

Aug. 4: Butte County Commission meeting @ commissioners' room at courthouse at 9:30 a.m.



AWARDS NIGHT - Newell High School athletes were recognized recently during an informal ceremony at the school. Above are the Academic All-Conference athletes for 2020. From the left, Huttson Weeldrever, Austin Alexander, Abbie Nelson, and Caleb Mutchler. - Brunner photo

Then and Now in Newell

July 14, 1910 Secretary Ballenger was guest and buy your coal now. A statement issued by the residence of the Black Hills too busy with mining, prosa trip to the Southern Hills, here and took in the beauties No sugar beets are raised on sheep.

from the Newell Museum

before he ever toured. Coming here in 1877, the pioneer was pecting and later farming, that until it was 1927 that he made when President Coolidge was of the State park, Sylvan Lake, Harney Peak and The Needles. The veteran ranchman has seen the prairie land around Vale turn from a cattle country with no fences, into well settled prosperous ranch houses and fields. the Wilson farm, leaning more toward cattle, horses and a few

106 degrees Saturday.

in 1935 for the express purpose of helping farmers and others

of Hamilton Club, intimates that Garfield and Pinchot handed him a package which he will in turn hand over to F. Newell. Secretary Ballenger was a guest of the Hamilton Club at a luncheon today and said that Garfield and Pinchot conspired to get him fired and intimated that Director Newell also must go soon.

W.E. Corbin, Sturgis was a pleasant caller at the Irrigator office last Thursday. Mr. Corbin is a registered pharmacist and he will soon begin the erection of a building 24x40 just east of the Newell Hotel in which he will carry a complete line of drugs and drug sundries.

July 15, 1920

About 2 months ago J.F. Anderson Lumber Company sent out cards with returned stamped envelopes to their customer. Quite a number answered stating their requirements, others did not. The coal situation is this: miners working from 2 to 3 days a week, shortages of cars, also orders. Now if you wait until September, October and November to get your coal, it will be an impossibility for the miners, railroads and local dealers to supply the demand for coal, consequences; shortage of coal. Remember last winter

State Livestock Sanitary Board is all cattle in the following described portions of Meade and Butte Counties being designated as infected or exposed to cattle scab. Owners or herdsmen are requested to arrange for dipping (under state supervision) all cattle before July 30, 1920. That portion of Butte County, north of the Belle Fourche River, east of Range 5 and extending north to the south line of Township 12, also that portion of Meade County in Ranges 10 and 11 extending north to the south line of Township 12.

July 17, 1930

Chas Lawell was exhibiting this week several specimens of the Mexican weed, commonly called marijuana. The plant brought to our office about 5' high and was secured in a field in close approximety to a beet laborer's shack. Fieldmen of the Black Hills Sugar Plant reported that the seed is usually planted by the Mexican in a corn field so that the weed receiving cultivation when the farmer cultivates his corn or waters during irrigation. The weed is being destroyed by the fieldmen wherever it is found.

Henry Wilson, Vale farmer, was in Deadwood on business and pleasure. He has been a

July 18, 1940

First water to be encountered in the Newell city water well being drilled here under the direction of C.C. Miller, Belle Fourche contractor, was reported Wednesday evening at slightly below 2,480 in the Dakota Sandstone. This strata was tapped 60' deeper than in the well at the Experiment Farm artesian well several years ago. Water encountered was very soft and was 101 degrees Fahrenheit. Drilling will continue to the Lakota Sandstone; however the water is likely to be cooler and better for drinking.

"Jolly Juniors" was the name adopted for a newly organized Extension Club at Newell last Friday when 14 ladies gathered at the home of Irene Odell. The following officers were elected: Chairman Marjorie Orwick; Vice Chairman Adalyne Carda; Secretary-Treasurer Irene Odell and Reporter Mildred Gadsden. Other members present were: Julia Jaukkari; Mildred Van derBoom; Mabel Post; Edith Fardig; Edith Holtry; Merle Burton; Margaret Middleton; Ella Getty and Ruby Conner. After adjournment, a delicious lunch was served and to meet again in 3 weeks at the home of Jerry Harmon.

Several thermometers in the Twilight neighborhood recorded

July 20, 1950

"Looking Forward to our Past" by Linda Velder

The trained dancing and performing Palomino horses, The King of Diamonds and the Oueen of Hearts which thrilled the Butte County Fair audiences last year, have been signed for a return engagement at the County Fair again this year, has been announced by Ralph Milberg, Secretary of the Fair Board, a contract has been approved calling for performances on all 3 days of the event August 24, 25 & 26 inclusive.

Plans for erecting a new permanent-type building in the Newell Community Park were attentively approved by the Newell City Commission Monday evening, a proposal request from the Jaycees. The new building would be a low, modern type of cement and tile construction large enough to include rest rooms. It is hoped by Mayor F.J. Boettger that the construction may be started within the next week so that it may be completed by September 1 to be available for use by the time of the Labor Day picnic.

A Resolution urging completion of Keyhole Dam on the Belle Fourche River was adopted at the concluding session of the National Beet Growers Association in Belle Fourche Friday. The organization went on record favoring completion of the dam, which is designed for flood control and to provide supplemental water for the Belle Fourche Irrigation Project as soon as possible.

July 21, 1960

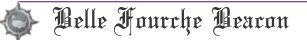
Butte Electric Open House in the expanded headquarters building, in Newell coincides with this year's Silver Jubilee Celebration of America's Rural Electric Systems and is symbolic if the growth of rural electrification in its 25-year history, according to Manager Douglas Eickleman. The REA is a government agency created living in rural areas get much needed electricity at rates they could afford. The local electric system is one of 1,000 others throughout America in celebrating the social economic miracle that affects not only farmers and ranchers, but townspeople as well.

The expanded redefined mission of the Newell Federal Field Station will bring to the upper Great Plains irrigated and dry land farming areas a practical series of new services never before available from the facility, US Senator Karl Mundt told the Water Users Saturday. Senator Mundt is ranking member of Senate Reclamation Appropriations Subcommittee, told the group, instead of closing the Newell Station as some Federal advisors had advocated, the Senate appropriated and the House accepted an annual operational budget of over \$100,000 for this facility for the current fiscal year – the largest annual operational budget ever approved for the Newell Field Station.

All in jest; Sheriff George Hafner, former Newell police chief and resident was taken before Justice Albert Cram in Newell Saturday as he was convicted on a charge of jail theft and sentenced to serve 2 days at the Newell 50th Anniversary & Labor Day Celebration September 4-5. Chief prosecutor was David Richards in action before the Kangaroo Court. He was assisted by Jerry Jacobsen, while Hafner acted as his own defense. Following the testimony, in which it was brought out that Hafner was the only one scheduled for the special trial, the jury acquitted him on a charge of impersonating an officer in Newell, but found him guilty on the theft charge. The jail apparently had been removed from the street sometime early Saturday morning and whereabouts still not known.



This is a photo of work being done during the drilling of the Artesian well at the Experiment Farm. This photo is of cement equipment being used. The markings on the side of the mixer read "Perkins Oil & Well Cementing Co. of Wyoming."



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You set the rocks all to rollin' and the brush tears at your face you duck your head so your hat takes the blows spur up to stay in the chase

Any day is a great day to be a cowboy but 'specially at brandin' time when you fling your ol'catch rope with hope your loop swings to that ancient rhyme

The smell of smoke is in your nose the calf bellers play the tune you ignore the aches and pains and rejoice as you work to that ancient rune Any day is a great day to be a cowboy

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Yes, any day is a great day to be a cowboy it beats any other job all to hell you wear a little smirk while your at your work tho' your saddened there's no one to tell

Few understand the work that you do Or the way it makes you feel inside You just got'ta feel sorry for them who don't get to go for the ride

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Looking Back in Belle

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

Rest of the Tipperary Story

Tipperary was the famous bucking horse that did his part to make the Tri-State Roundup the success it was in 1918, up until his last preformance July 6, 1926. The horse was 21 year old. "Old Tipperary had lost none of his pep in spite of his years. Howard Tegland, one of the best and nerviest busters in the game, made a beautiful ride on Tipperary Tuesday but failed to qualify as he could not ride him to the finish. He slid to the ground without conquering that old invincible bucker on July 6, 1926." There were 31.000 peo-

ing a good price because of buildup of militaries in Europe preparing for WWI. Ed Marty told Elmer Wickham that he would ride Tipperary. The plan was to bring the outlaw to Camp Crook. Word traveled fast and a crowd gathered. Ed Marty was a horseman and a good rider, so this promised to be a good show, plus a little betting. Tipperary fought the saddle; the crowd including dignitaries Greenup Mosely, Dan Tarter, Chet Martin (local newspaperman), Jake Ridgway waited for the ride. "He will never buck. Pacers never buck." Ed shouted "Turn him loose!"

Tipperary exploded as soon as

Doc Latham. After two jumps,

the blindfold was pull off by

he reared to a vertical stance

Tipperary.

By late 1916, Charlie Wilson was the sole owner of Tipperary. Charlie loved horses and proved to be a natural horseman. He was one of Teddy Roosevelt's Rough Riders. He attended Teddy's 1905 Presidental Inauguration with the 1902 Cowboys. During the parades, they stole the show. Mr. Wilson took to stock contracting after his purchare of Tipperary. He resented any suggestion that his rodeo stock was abused in any way. Charlie believed in trailing his rodeo stock whenever possible rather than using trucks or trains. He believed that the exerise kept them in top bucking form, and results proved him right. Another of his outstanding bronc was Tip-Top. Charlie Wilson died October 7, 1926. Charlie established certain rules for riding his broncs, especially Tipperary and Tip-Top. The bronc busters had to agree to the rules before they were premitted to ride. His rules included riding until the horse stopped bucking unlike present day bronc riding which is a timed event, never "pulling leather," changing reins or losing a stirup disqualified the rider. During his lifetime, Charles Wilson was probably one of the most widely known men in South Dakota, Montana, and North Dakota. He was known for his honesty, generosity, sportsmanship, and his willingness to work hard for his community and country. There were only 4 "qualifed" rides on Tipperary - Harold Ekburg rode Tipperary on Labor Day, September 6, 1926.

ple in attendance for the nineth annual Round-Up show.

In the beginning, Tipperary was born in 1905, on a ranch near Camp

Crook, SD. Tipperary was a dark bay gelding, without any white on him. He was branded with FR. He stood 15 hands and weighed around 1500 pounds. Horse ranching was a big deal along the Little Mis-



souri, probably all of Harding county from the homestead days - 1900 until after WWI. Many of the world's army still used calvery units so they needed horses. "The English were very selective. French buyers were careful but the Italian buyers only checked to see if the horse was still warm before they bought it. So, the market was good for nearly every kind of horse." Tipperary was a pacer - which means his legs moved in lateral pairs. He was foaled into Elmer Wickham's herd. Wickhams were one of the first settlers in the Camp Crook area; in fact Camp Crook was orginially called Wickhamville. When he was 4 years old, Elmer hired Fred Wheat to break the horse. Tipperary was tied to a log to tame him, but a lightening storm blew up and caused the horse to break out of the coral. The breaking effort was given up and Tipperary spent the next six years living off the prairie.

In 1915, horses were bring-

as straight up. He desended violently. For several seconds, he demonstrated gyrating twists and turns that he would soon become famous for. Ed's departure was sudden. He landed with a bone shattering crash, slowly arose and sang out "It's a long, long way to Tipperary," a popular WWI song. The name stuck. Elmer Wickham wanted a saddle horse and he could see this one would never be one, so he sold Tipperary to Doc Latham for \$65. Doc planned to sell him the French horse buyers but they weren't interested in a pacer. The ownership chance a little over these early years – maybe over a poker game. Evidently Doc Latham owned 50%, Jake Ridgway, local saloon owner, had 50%; then Doc sold part of his share to Wesley Griffith. The next several years Camp Crook and surrounding area made the most of their famous horse, putting on shows where all the best bronc riders tried their luck on



Charlie Wilson

Rufus Rollins rode him. Rufus Rollins, a seasoned Wild-West performer and bronc riding winner at Miles City's Round-Up, put on a good exhibit and rode the horse. Tipperary had cut his left foot during the night; that foot would bother him the rest of his life. He had to have a specially built horse shoe.

After 1926, Tipperary was put out to pasture; Art Ritchie, Harding County Sheriff, took over Tipperary and Tip -Top in 1931. In 1932, he was stolen with a bunch of other Ritchie horses and trailed southwest into Montana from the Jump-Off territory with the law in pursuit.. The horses were finally abandoned in a barn. By the time they were rescued, old Tipperary was in bad shape. In late October, 1932 he died in a snow storm. His bones were picked up and buried under a memorial in a park in Buffalo. Tipperary and Yakima Canutt were induced into the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in 1976.

Tony Chytka sculpture of Tipperary in Buffalo, SD.

Art of Tipperary

In 2006, Alvin Cordell who ranches near Camp Crook, commissioned Mick B. Harrison to paint a watercolor scene of Ed Marty's ride on the street of Camp Crook in 1915. It is titled "Tipperary's Genesis." Painting is at the Tri-State Museum.

Rod Nichols, a cowboy poet, then revised one of his poems to go along with the painting.

Tex Fletcher, a western singer who spent some time in Buffalo during the '30's and returned later from New York to make a children's series, wrote several songs about the Harding County area including Tipperary (The Great Outlaw Horse).

Tony Chytka, local sculptor from Belle Fourche, was contracted to create a beautiful bronze of Tipperary. The bronze is part of the Buffalo's Memorial Park.



Mick Harrison painting of Tipperary depicted on Main Street in Camp Crook. Painting on display at the Tri-State Musuem.





Jake Kraupie picked up Taz on Wednesday to go to rodeos in Utah, Montana and North and South Dakota.

Friday evening Casey and Missy, and Reub and I went to Reeder for Quinn Mellmer's graduation party at Northern Auto. Sage and Alaina and the kids came over from Hettinger and the large gathering feasted on some delicious pulled smoked pork.

Reub and I went to Hettinger to get parts Saturday morning. Reub hasn't been feeling good, so when he heard that they were testing for the China Virus outside by the hospital, we went and got tested. Haven't had the results yet, but I'm guessing they will be negative. Reub wasn't feeling good that evening and I went down to Joe and Karen Wilkinson's appreciation supper at the Reva Hall by myself.

A huge crowd showed up for the party and potluck supper honoring my cousin Joe and Karen for the 37 years they've served the Reva community by running the Reva Store and post office. They sold the store to Vince and Collette Tifft and moved to Buffalo. Vince and Collette took over the store on July 1st and the population of Reva increased to six people when Collette's parents also moved to Reva.

I got out my Harding County history books and the Harding County chapter of the South Dakota Post Offices book to do some research on the history of the Reva post office and store. The mail for this area first came from Whitewood, but later came from Harding carried by an old man by the name of Harper Jones, who was nearly

In 1905, Erick Johnson had the Post Office and the first store in a log cabin near Reva Gap in the Slim Buttes. John Todd took it over in 1912 at his place where Scott and Lori Besler live now. Todd was a Justice of the Peace and he married Joe Wilkinson's and my grandparents, Harvey and Lydia (Schmidt) Wilkinson on November 2, 1915 after he closed the Post Office. Scott Besler's grandfather, Hubert Coffield, bought the store and Post Office from Todd in 1922.

Enos Kloss bought the store and Post Office from Hubert Coffield in 1924 and moved it to the present location in Reva. Enos Kloss passed away in 1941 and his widow sold the store and Post Office to Reub's aunt and uncle, Roy and Janet (Olson) Larson. Larson's sold the store and Post Office to Gus and Marge (Escherich) Tracy in 1943. Gus died in 1949 and Marge continued to run the store until she turned it over to her son Wayne and Vanna Tracy and moved to Buffalo in 1968. Wayne and Vanna were there for a year and a half before they sold it to Bob and Freida (Lutz) Elling. Bob passed away in 1980 and Freida continued to run it until she sold it to Joe and Karen (Norton) Wilkinson in 1983

Joe and Karen were living on the ranch at Glendo when they bought the Reva store. Our grandparents, Harvey and Lydia Wilkinson, operated the Glendo Ranch store and Post Office years ago and the glass cases in the Reva Store came from the Glendo Ranch store after it was closed. Glendo is part of our east ranch and the old store

Karen and Hywel take a walk down the road most days. We went in to the "Over the Edge" for supper on Saturday evening.

Pete Anderson has just been doing the normal chores.

Ronda Cordell and Diane Wear started the week going to check on a bull that is alone with his group of cows west of Belltower. It turned out the bull was doing fine, but the pipeline over the hill was not working. After checking floats on eleven tanks and not finding any issues, they headed to the well back at Bergstrom's. They found that the breaker was off. Ronda called Southeast Electric to inquire about the new meters. She was assured that with the information given them, the meter was fine. She was also told that at a specific time, shortly after midnight July 4th, the meter number had not changed. There was a lot of lightning about that time so they are quite sure a strike must have caused the breaker to click off. This new technology is some-

building is still there.

Laura Johnson's sister and her husband, Marcia and Kent Martin are visiting from Washington and we got to visit with them in church Sunday morning. The Barnabas team from the AFLC Bible School in Minneapolis were at the church Sunday evening and we had a potluck supper before their program with puppets. The team has five members and one of them is a grandson of Wayne Olson who used to pastor the Free Lutheran church at Faith. They are in Faith this week to help with the Vacation Bible School.

Casey and Missy went to the Boss Cowman rodeo in hauled while Clint looked for a hole in the fence. He did not find one. Ronda didn't get to town in time for Caitlin and Shorty Shinabarger's wedding reception but went in to the dance. The CCACC was full of people. The bride was beautiful. Chad, Debby and Roudy Zolnoski had come for the event and came out to spend the night. They left for home after stopping briefly at Clint and Denise's. The guys keep busy having. The bales are pretty sparse compared to last year. If there is a bright side, it won't take as long to haul them to the hay yards.

On Wednesday Lynn Gustufson went to the Hills to get groceries. Bruce, Jim and Denver have started haying. They went to church on Sunday. Jane Teigen did the service. Billy Roadifer has started haying.

Erma and Dick Albert went to the Senior Citizens dinner and Delores Sperle's birthday party on Friday. They went to

the Wade Pearson family went in to Camp Crook for the wedding reception. The Pearson's stayed overnight and left for home on Sunday. Rhys has been spending some time with Marlee. She brought three bum lambs and one bum calf with her.

Dawn Padden has started hauling bales and Bryce has been baling. Both got to take a long healthy walk when their equipment broke down. You wonder how healthy a walk is when the temperature is100 degrees. On Friday Bryce took Dawn to town for her birthday and on Saturday they went into the wedding reception for their anniversary.

Rachel Melum's family came down and sent some time at Ernie and Rachel's for a family get together. They are busy having.

Everyone seems to be busy haying. It does not look like it is going to be bumper year for hay. I hope that everyone has a great week and Karen will be talking to you next week.

Lemmon on Sunday and Taz got home from his rodeo run Sunday afternoon. RonE, Starla, and Jarett Jenson, Louise Jenson, and Casey and Missy ate supper at Taz and Amanda's that evening.

While getting ready for the Day of the American Cowboy celebration at the High Plains Western Heritage Center in Spearfish on Saturday, July 25 and the Great Western Cattle Trail meeting after the celebration that afternoon, I've been sorting through a lot of interesting information that Peggy Ables, the former executive director at the Heritage Center, had collected. The late former

Rep. Chuck Turbiville was a member of the GWCTA and she had some really interesting history about his ancestor Eugene Winston "Pecos Dick" Turbiville who came up from Texas with the cattle herds in the 1880s. Pecos Dick was the trail boss for the Hash Knife outfit in the Tri-State area. He married Edith Wickham on January 1, 1884 in Camp Crook, the first white couple to be married in what is now Harding County. Remember that the nicest

place to be is in someone's thoughts, the safest place to be is in someone's prayers, and the very best place to be is in the hands of God.



Butte/ Lawrence County 4-H Reminders

Last chance to register for the Whatchamacallit Workshop – some spots remain. Wednesday (today) 4-5pm at the Extension Office.

Summer Showcase Series – Send those project pictures in for a chance not only to showcase, but to win prizes!

Poultry Superintendent Kristi McCoy will be holding a poultry OPEN CLASS show. Also, if you would be available to help please let Kristi know.

Youth have until 11:59 pm on August 11th to register for State Fair, State Dog Show, and State Horse Show. The registration deadline for State Livestock Judging and Skill-A-Thon is September 9th at 11:59 pm.

Some reminders for families during registration include:

-Families with multiple youth need to register all youth before submitting the registrations. Families will not be allowed to register another youth until the registration has been approved by the county.

-If a youth is competing in both Livestock Judging and Livestock Skill-A-Thon, they must register for both contests. Registering for one contest does not register you for both contests.



A Day at the Butte County Youth Rodeo

Photos by John Skogberg



Jory Olson won the Jr. boys flag race with a time of 8.555.



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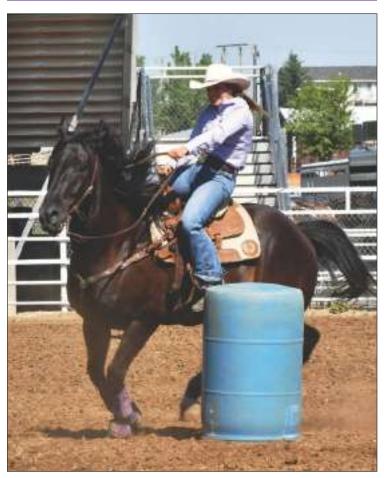
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Malcom Heathershaw scored 75 on this saddle bronc for first.



Shyanne Howell won the Sr. girls barrel racing in 17.656

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