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South Dakota Game Fish & **Parks Hosting Tag Allocations** Meeting

To be held at the Branding Iron Feb. 11 6:30 P. M.

The South Dakota Game Fish & Parks will be hosting an input meeting /open house at the Branding Iron Steakhouse, Thursday, February 11th at 6:30

They will be soliciting input regarding Tag allocations for the 2021 and 2022 West River deer seasons along with the desire to document input on west river deer tag allocation numbers for Butte, Lawrence and Harding counties.

The main focus will be on the hunting units of Butte and Lawrence Counties. Landowners and sportsman are encouraged to attend as your input is appreciated. A short presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone that would like to provide input but are unable to attend the meeting can contact Wildlife Conservation Officer Bill Eastman at 605.391.1575.

The Great Kindness Challenge: Golden Valentine Project



South Park students celebrated The Great Kindness Challenge this week by participating in the Golden Valentine Project during their Guidance class. Mrs. Coulter will be delivering the special handmade cards of love to the local Nursing Home and Assisted Living Center in Belle Fourche.

School Board Retreat Highlights Positives and Challenges

BEACON STAFF

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BELLE FOURCHE - It was anything but business as usual for the Belle Fourche School District in 2020. As with every other district in the state COVID challenges were everywhere, but so were opportunities. That seemed to be theme of the evening as the school board held it's annual retreat and heard reports from various administrators about the past year.

State of the District

Belle Fourche District School Superintendent Dr. Steve Willard reported to the board that the district is doing very well despite COVID.

"In general the Belle Fourche School District is in good shape, considering being in the middle of a severe COVID-19 pandemic," Willard reported. 'Through the efforts of the staff and administration the school district has been able to stay open with face-to-face instruc-

The number of COVID cases according to Willard remains relatively low in the district's schools. And school transportation has also remained normal to which he credits the efforts of the district bus drivers continually disinfecting their buses after every route and activities

Distance learning was the new hot topic for most of last year and Willard told the board that this has placed a lot of demand on teachers, but that they had done an extraordinary job with a nearly impossible situation.

'With face-to-face and online learning going on at the same time it's like teaching double,"

he said. "So we need to take some of that stress off.'

The district proposes to relieve some of that stress by once again partnering with Black Hills Online Learning Academy for 2021-2022. The Belle Fourche School District still gets to count online students in their enrollment numbers and receive a per student allocation from the state, but a percentage of that allocation would go to the academy. The academy would in turn take care of the teaching, grading, and the contacting of students and parents as part of the online learning program. District principals will get a report every week on progress of the students.

'We've used this program before and I think it would take the stress off our staff," Willard

Currently the district has 104 students participating in distance learning. That's down from 145 online students at the beginning of the school year.

"The principals have talked to parents and the students who have not been very successful with distance learning. They have been able to get many of them back to coming into our buildings, which I commend them for doing," Willard said.

Distance learning has taken a toll on some students. At the high school level Principal Matt Raba says he has seen an increase in failure rate that he attributes to the school closure.

"Not drastically, by any means, but we do have more students in need of repeating some courses," Raba said. "We kind of attribute that to when we shut down in March. It was just tough on a lot of our kids

School Board Retreat B3

Michael's Hometown Shows Support

KIM CURL

A Special to the Beacon The Streeter Family Benefit in support of Michael Streeter through recovery was held January 24, 2021 at the Belle Fourche Community Hall. Our community, friends, family, classmates, teammates, coaches, teachers, businessmen, volunteers, neighbors, rivals, competitors, strangers, young and old made a DIFFERENCE!

The Streeter Family Benefit in support of Michael Streeter through recovery made a DIF-FERENCE!

The community event made it about more than raising money, it was awesome to see the youth and adults playing cornhole side by side!

We live in an AMAZING community and Michael has impacted and continues to impact so many in our community by making a DIFFERENCE, that made it easy for this event to happen and be a success.

His involvement in Bronc Wrestling as well as Dickinson State University Wrestling could be seen by the purple and blue throughout the room.

Purple Streeter Nation apparel sold as a fundraiser by Twisted Apparel Co and the blue Streeter Strong apparel DSU sold with proceeds going to Streeter as well. Coach Slotten donated a Bronc Foothall Helmet which was a hit in the bucket raffle room. The BF Youth Baseball program donated registration certificates to the silent auction as well the programs' board members and coaches of coaches of Post 32 Legion team donated a \$200 Scheels card.

Gregg Warren, Vice President of the SD Umpire Association contacted the organizers of the benefit to see how the members could help in supporting Michael and his family. The conversation inspired the

concept of Youth playing in the tournament for free. Several members of the association sent donations and local businesses answered the request to sponsor and The Mighty Michael's Tournament of Heroes was created as a tournament youth could enjoy playing without registration fees.

Michael was a fire cadet with the BFVFD and upon turning 18 became an active member of the department. The spaghetti feed was the perfect way to close out the fun day of events. Ryan Reeves of the department "We were just glad there was

such a fine turn out and proud to be part of this wonderful, caring community". A silent auction and bucket raffles were held with full tables of a variety of donated items and gift certifi-

In honor of Michael a "Mr. 9000" package was put together. It included Dr. Pepper jacket and hat, 8 cupcakes by SME's Treats, Bronc water bottle, wrestling t-shirt and gift certificates to local restaurants.

Justin Tupper's family had the winning bid and gifted it to the

Michael A6



Micheal Streeter joins in from his hospital bed with friend Lane Longbrake via a Facetime connection with his mother Nicoles's cell phone. Vissia Courtesy Photo

Sutter Joins Guard

Lance Sutter was sworn in as the newest member of the South Dakota Army National Guards 842nd Engineer and will be assigned as a construction equipment operator in Belle Fourche.

Sutter enlisted under a program which provides an Enlistment Bonus as well as Federal and State Tuition Assistance,

the G.I. Bill and health insurance. Congratulations to Lance on becoming a #Soldier in the South Dakota National Guard. #SDNationalGuard#GoGuard #wavwest.

Lance is a Senior at Belle Fourche High School and is the son of Beth and Paul Sutter of Belle Fourche.



Lance Sutter raises his right hand and is sworn in as a member of the South Dakota National Guard. - Courtesy photo

Bills A Candidate for Mayor of Belle Fourche

BEACON STAFF

news@bellefourchebeacon.com Vern Bills, longtime Belle Fourche businessman has announced that he is seeking the office of Mayor of Belle Fourche in the upcoming elec-

He states his main reason for the candidacy as, "Opportuni-

"Belle Fourche stands on the edge of great opportunity as a community, and I would like to provide the leadership in our city government to move our community forward. City government must foster and help accommodate a resurgence and growth in our city's business



community. The growth and success of our local businesses community is tantamount to

the growth and success of our community as a whole."

Bills went on to say, "We can look at the upcoming election as a major opportunity to enhance our neighborhoods, our businesses and our over-all success as a community by focusing on how city government serves our citizens and to turn those opportunities into reality for the citizens of Belle.'

Bills has been a resident of Belle for sixty plus years and in business for forty five years. He is a New York Life agent as well as owning and operating a full service retail gas station

businesses in Belle. The city election is April 13th.



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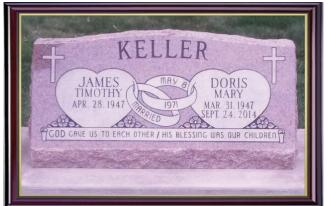
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Obituaries

Marvin Kron Jr. 73

Marvin Iven Kron Jr. was born in Miles City, MT on August 19, 1947 to parents Marvin Iven Kron and Violet Verna (Friemark) Kron.

The first ten years of his life were spent in Miles City where he enjoyed played little league baseball and having burgers at the Red Rock Drive Inn where his grandmother, Goldie Plummer, was the cook. The family then moved to Ridge, MT where they worked on the Henry Malley sheep

When Marvin Jr. was getting old enough for high school, the family moved to South Dakota where Marvin's parents purchased as small farm. Here, Marvin helped with farming chores, milking cows, etc. He graduated from Newell, SD High School in 1965. Marvin enlisted in the US Navy in 1966 and was honorably discharged in 1967 under hardship conditions.

Marvin helped on the family farm until late 1969 when he married Debbie Shrimp and began a mining career that would continue for the next 35 years. Marvin and Debbie later divorced but were blessed with two daughters: Brenda Michelle Kron and Wendi (Wayne) Marie Alder.

Marvin worked in bentonite mining and milling in the Colony and Upton, WY and Glasgow, MT areas. His positions varied from laborer, lab technician, and equipment operator to mining and plant superintendent duties over the next ten years. Early on, Marvin's jobs always seemed to include safety duties, which became

Marvin worked at the Rosebud Mine in Colstrip, MT

for 25 years, where he was the safety supervisor for 20 or so years and a pit supervisor for 3 years. He also instructed Mine Safety and Health for Sheridan College at the Gillette Campus for several years. Following retirement from the Rosebud Mine, Marvin worked six years as a Safety Management Consultant for the Montana State Fund Worker's Compensation provider.

In 1999, Marvin met his perfect partner and love of his life, Marlene Englert. While considered Common Law spouses in the state of MT for many years, they sealed their devotion to each other in marriage May 4, 2010.

Marvin most enjoyed his time with Marlene and working on projects at their home in Billings. They also like dancing together to their favorite country bands. Marvin was also a peddler, participating in flea markets and gun shows. He was also known for his skill as a master knife

Marvin passed to eternal life on January 22, 2021. He was preceded in death by his father in 1981, his grandson, Alexander Alder, in 2003; his mother in 2016; and his son-in-law, Scott Shade, in 2018.

Marvin is survived by his wife Marlene of Billings; daughter Brenda Kron, grandchildren Justin, April and Dana Blaszkowski, and two great grandchildrenof Gillette, WY; and daughter Wendi Alder, son-in-law Wayne Alder and grandchildren Aaron and Annika Alder of Gilbert, AZ, sisters Rhonda (Mark) Johnson of Belle Fourche, and Vicki Russell of Wyoming.

Leigh Patten 91

Leigh E. Patten, age 91 of Belle Fourche, died Monday, January 25, 2021 at the Monument Health Spearfish Hospital.

Mass of Christian Burial took place Thursday, January 28, 2021, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Belle Fourche. The Rosary was prayed. A visitation was held Wednesday at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. Inurnment will take place in Black Hills National Cemetery.

The Mass will be livestreamed online, on the funeral home's website, on Leigh's obituary page found at: www.LeveringtonFH.com

Leigh Earley was born March 21, 1929 in Mile City, Montana. She was the daughter of Lester and Lillian (Haasel) Earley. Leigh grew up in Powder River County Montana, on the Powder River. She graduated from the Billings Senior High School in 1947 and attended St. Mary University in Leavenworth KS, obtaining an education degree. Later in life she would earn a teaching degree from Black Hills State University. In 1952, Leigh was married and that marriage would later end in divorce. On June 3rd, 1965, Leigh was united in marriage to John Patten. John and Leigh lived in Belle Fourche for many years while they raised 8 children. Leigh was a school teacher in Newell and she also coached the track team in 1968 and 1969. She also was a librarian at Black Hills State University, later in life. John passed away in 2008 and since then, Leigh con-

nued to live at home, and cared for her sheep and cows for the rest of her life. For the past 4 years, LuKasey Dean-Hill made it possible for Leigh to stay at home, as her health declined. She was always so grateful for that care.

Leigh's life was all about her kids and family. She loved rodeos, and what it had to offer her family. She loved the western way of life. She loved animals as well, and she was a fantastic cook

who made home-made bread, jelly, apple butter, and all the rest. For many years, Leigh was very active with the Miss Rodeo South Dakota pageant. She enjoyed coaching young ladies and several of them became Miss Rodeo South Dakota and even Miss Rodeo America. She was full of spirit and you could say she spent her entire life raising her children. She will be greatly missed by them all.

Leigh is survived by her children: Ronny (Ann) Mackaben of Broadus MT, Kathleen Mackaben-Griffith of Decatur TX, Linda (Jeff Larson) Steward of Watertown MN, Barry Mackaben of Ocala FL, Diane (Dave) Reiter of Parker CO, Leslie (Andy) White of Helena MT, Sean (Glenna) Patten of Bozeman MT, Laura (Eric) Knothe of Meridian ID; 29 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; and sister, Ann and Margaret. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; infant son, Joseph; sisters, Helen, Kay,

Betty; and brothers, Buck and John

Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills

Michael Wayne Brown 62

Michael Wayne Brown, 62, of Rapid, died Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at Monument Health Rapid

Graveside services were held on Tuesday,



February 2, 2021 at Vale Cemetery in Vale, SD Condolences may be sent to the family at www. kinkadefunerals.

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Keith Willard 80

Keith Eugene Willard passed away peacefully with his loving family by his side on Wednesday, January

Keith was born on January 13, 1941 in Huron, South Dakota as the last sibling in a family of 2 sisters and 2 brothers. His parents were Clyde and Leota (Moore) Willard.

He enlisted in the Army right after graduation. In March 1961, he married the love his life, Dorothy Harrington and she joined him in Massachusetts. It was during this time that their first child, Clyde was born in April 1962. After being honorably discharged he moved his small family back to Wessington, South Dakota. In February 1964 their second child, Sandra was born. He worked at several jobs before starting his career in the banking business at the Bank of Wessington in 1967. Their last child, Susan was born in August 1967 to complete their family. In 1977 he moved the family to Edgemont, South Dakota and went to work for the Southern Hills Bank. In 1983 the family moved to Sidney, Montana where he worked for the Montana Bank. While in Montana he was a member of the Sidney Lions Club and the Loyal Order of the Masons.

In 1988 Keith and Dorothy moved to Dupree, South Dakota to work for Farmers State Bank. After working for two years, the bank was purchased and Keith started his long-time career working with Al Hegyi and the 1st Financial Bank USA team as President and CEO. He had finally found his place in the banking industry and remained with them for many happy years. He retired from actively working in the bank in 2005 but remained as a director on the board and loan underwriter until his

Keith was always a farmer at heart as evidenced by the years raising sheep, cattle, and horses along with pigs, chickens, pheasants, geese and even the occasional donkey. In his later years, he & Dorothy could be

found in one of his horse drawn wagons at the local parade. He also enjoyed participating in the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally where he & Dorothy would ride their trike but always being home by dark. He loved fixing things - including many old tractors and could often be found tinkering in his shop. He was a very special person and will be deeply missed.

Keith is survived by his wife of almost 60 years, Dorothy. His son, Clyde (Roberta) Willard, Ashland, NE; daughters, Sandy (David) Christensen, Sidney, MT and Susan (Bart) Freitag, Williston ND; ten grandchildren, Patrick (Halie) Willard, Kyle Willard, Chelsea Willard (fiancé, Wyatt), Justin (Mauve) Willard, Ben (Lena) Christensen, Wes (Rhea) Christensen, Alyson Freitag, Alexis Freitag and Trenton Freitag; three great grandchildren, Ryan and Aela Willard and Molly Christensen (and one due in March); his brother, Norm (Sharry) Willard; his sister, Dorothy Ransom; sister-inlaw, Evelyn Butts and brother-in-law, Richard (Jeannie)

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clyde and Leota Willard; his grandson, Ryan Willard; brother, Clyde Earl Willard; sister, Elva Mae Erdahl; his in-laws, Harold and Alice Harrington; sisters-in-law, Joan Davis and Betty Orr and brother-in-law, Lyle Orr.

Visitation will be Thursday, February 4 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Kline Funeral Chapel in Belle Fourche and one hour before services.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM Friday, February 5 at the First Baptist Church in Belle Fourche with Reverend Tim Smith officiating. Inurnment will be held at a later date at the Wessington Cemetery in Wessington, SD.

An online guest book and video tribute is available at klinefuneralchapel.com

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Tri-State Museum First Saturday Brunch

This month's First Saturday Brunch has a world flair! Chip Kimball presents "Textiles Around the World"

Saturday, February 6th

Brunch at 10:00 | Presentation at 10:30

- Reservations required by February 4th
- Maximum of 36 Attendees

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Laney Mackaben Awarded Milo Rypkema Memorial Scholarship

The Black Hills Stock Show Foundation has awarded 16 scholarships to 2021 graduating seniors. The foundation is dedicated to supporting youth in higher education. Each applicant must fill out an application, provide information about their school and community involvement, submit a letter of reference, and write an essay titled "Advancing My Western Heritage Through Continuing Education and Career." For more information about the foundation you can visit their website at bhssf.com.

The 2021 recipient of the Milo Rypkema Memorial Scholarship is Laney Macka-

Laney is a senior at Belle Fourche High School and is the daughter of Chad and Shawnie Mackaben.

In her essay she wrote, "My western heritage is more than the physical memorabilia from



Laney Mackaben

a time past. It is a reminder that in acknowledging my roots and learning those practices, I can formulate my future with a sturdy support system, an intellectual tool chest of experience, determination and try. It is learning from the past to improve the future while keeping those memories and

legacies alive." Her activities include FFA, National Honor Society, 4-H Junior Leaders, youth representative on Butte Conservation Board, Purple Pride, church, and senior citizen center volunteer. Laney has youth representative on Butte Conservation Board, Purple Pride, church, and senior citizen center volunteer. She has been an officer in both 4-H and FFA and has many high placings in judging contests in both organizations, including several first-place finishes. Laney volunteers in many community service areas with her 4-H, FFA, and honor society groups. Her school counselor said this, "Laney is an outstanding leader both in the classroom and outside the classroom." He also stated that she puts her best efforts into her coursework no matter what the subject is and that she is consistent and willing to be a lifelong learner.



The Roundup Cafe, 1405 5th Ave was the site of a Chamber of Commerce Ribbon cutting on Wednesday. Co-owner Mindy Homola is shown cutting the ribbon. The RoundUp Cafe is a family run business, serving breakfast, lunch, desserts and coffee as well as daily soup and lunch specials. Their cozy interior and convenient location makes it a great place to meet up with friends. Open Tuesday thru Saturday, 5:00 am-2:00 pm; Closed Sunday and Monday. Courtesy photo





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Bronc Boys Earn Two Wins

JIM TRIMBLE news@bellefourchebeacon.com

The Belle Fourche Broncs Boys basketball team picked up two needed wins last week. They first traveled to Lead Deadwood to take on the Golddiggers on Tuesday night and came away with a nice 63-48

The Broncs opened the first quarter with Senior Gage Kracht dropping in two three pointers and Belle was in the lead 16-13. Belle's three-point barrage would continue in the second stanza as Gabe Heck, Anthony Budmayr, Lan Fuhrer, and Ryker Audiss all connected from behind the arc propelling the Brones to 36-26 advantage at halftime.

The three-pointers continued in the third quarter as Kracht, Heck, and Brextin Garza would knock down three's and Logan Goeders got a conventional three-point play and Belle pushed the lead to 53-37. Both teams would play even down the stretch with Budmayr and Fuhrer each adding treys and the Broncs secured the victory.

The Broncs canned 11 shots from behind the arc for the evening. Lead's Rocke Rainey rained in four of his own threes for the evening and took game high honors with 17 points.

The Broncs had a balanced scoring attack with Heck and Fuhrer each with 14 points. Budmayr and Kracht chipped in with 10 each for Belle.

"We shot well and did a good job of getting in the passing lanes," commented Coach Clay Pottorff after the victory. "Credit to Lead Deadwood as they attacked the paint hard," he added.

Broncs sophomore guard Anthony Budmayr helped rally the Brones from a seven point deficit in the fourth quarter Friday

52-48 in Belle Fourche.

Aggressive play by senior Gage Kracht who scored 5 points in the first 8 minutes led the Broncs and Belle and the Ranchers were tied 10-10 at the end of the quarter. The Ranchers went on a 4-0 to start the second quarter but a steal by Budmayr and baskets by Lan Fuhrer and Ryker Audiss and Belle tied the game.

Harding County put on another run but a long three by Audiss and a runner in the lane by Aiden Giffin and the Broncs went to the lockers with a 21-20

The third stanza was almost all Harding County as they built a 10-point lead before Gabe

night as Belle Fourche edged the Harding County Ranchers

> Heck drilled a three pointer to cut the lead to 38-31 after three. Budmayr swished a nice three to start the fourth quarter and Fuhrer with a runner cut the Rancher lead to 2 points. After a Rancher bucket Gage Kracht buried a three to bring the

> > The Ranchers and Broncs but Harding County answered with another two points and it was tied at 46 with 2 minutes

Broncs to within one. traded baskets and Budmayr hit another basket off a Heck steal, left. Budmayr nailed both ends of two different 1-1 free throws down the stretch to ice the

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Hey Highmark--Question?

Find out answers to things financial: Saving, Spending, Borrowing, etc. Questions will be answered by staff members of the Belle Fourche Branch of Highmark Credit union. This week's question is being addressed by Highmark's Heather Alcanter. Readers may submit questions to: Kyla Wright at: kyla.wright@highmarkfcu.com. Unless you or someone in your family is or has been a CU member you may not know what a Credit Union is or what it can do for you. Now is your opportunity to find out.



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Middle School Students of the Month



December students of the month: 5th Grade - Jaezdyn Jones; April Jackson; 6th Grade -Kaylen Wolff; Dylan Johnson; 7th Grade - Toby Paulsen; Jaedyn Moore; 8th Grade - Glenn Wilson; Sarah Horst. Courtesy photo



November students of the month: 5th Grade - Alexa Stone; Aolani Stone; 6th Grade - Azalea Molina; Max Rhoads; 7th Grade - Corbin Rowe; Aurora Larive; 8th Grade - Nels Lindberg; Baylee Clendening. Courtesy photo

Broncs victory. "We stuck together and

played with good energy," said coach Pottorff after the win. Budmayr paced the Broncs with 13 points with Kracht netting 11 and Fuhrer 10. Kelby Hett led all scorers with 16 for the Ranchers while teammates Cayden Floyd and Dawson Kautzman had 11 and 10 points, respectively. The Broncs evened their record at 7-7 for the year and Harding County fell to 4-9. The Broncs next game against Douglas is February 5th in Belle Fourche. In the JV game the Broncs

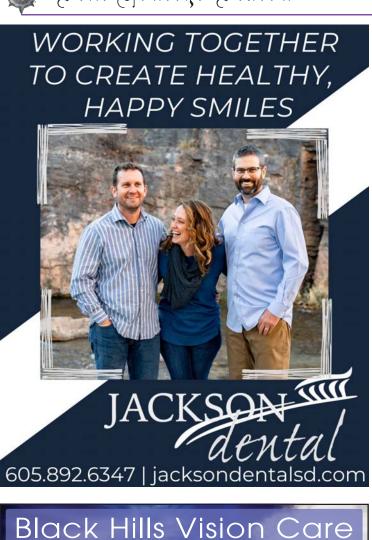
knocked off the Ranchers by twenty points with a 54-34 win. Anthony Staley continues to impress as he led the Broncs with 18 points and Cole Hockenbary netted 12 and Ryker Audiss chipping in 10. Kautzman had 11 for Harding County and Cody Barnett 10.

In the C game, the Little Broncs played Rapid City Central and won with an impressive 59-52 victory over the Little Cobblers. Nolan Wahlfeldt led the way for the Broncs with 15 points while Jayden Sechser had 13, JT Hahne 12 and Jet Jensen with 9.



Anthony Budmayr (L) flies through the air to shoot for two; Gabe Heck (R) sinks a three point shot against Harding County. Jamie Hockenbary Photos





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Mon, February 8th

BRONC Breakfast: BRONC Breakfast: Yogurt/Juice/Fruit/Milk Lunch: Toasted Cheese Sandwich Crispy Chicken Sandwich/ Fruit/Veggie/Milk

Tues, February 9th

BRONC Breakfast: Egg & Cheese Taco/Juice/Fruit/Milk Lunch: Chicken Nuggets/Chicken Tacos/Fruit/Veggie/Milk

Wed, February 10th

BRONC Breakfast: Bacon & Egg Pizza/Juice/Fruit/Milk Lunch: Beef Fingers/Corn Dogs/Fruit/Veggie/Milk

Bronc Wrestlers Finish 6th At Home Invitational

Belle Grapplers team finished sixth in the standings at last weeks Belle Fourche Invitational Wrestling Tournament.

The event was won by RC Stevens, with the Sturgis Scoopers second, Custer third, and Lead-Deadwood finishing fourth.

Aiken Crowley wrestling at 285# Heavyweight was the Broncs top finisher with second

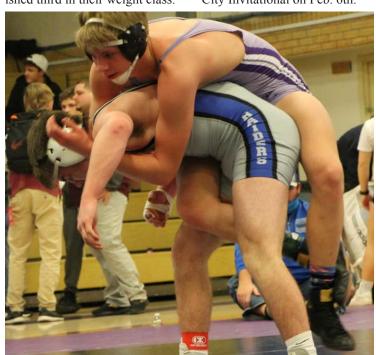
Brooks Clooten at 220#, and Cade Bickerdyke 182# both finished third in their weight class.

D'Angelo Garduna at 113# finished fourth, as well as Hailey Rodriguez in the Girls division.

Hunter Quenzer 132# and Riley Dighton 106#had a sixth place finishes to round out the place earners.

Andy Tonsager 160#; Devin Nowowiejski 152#; and Elijah Braning 126# helped earn team points for the Broncs.

The Broncs are in dual action hosting Hot Springs on the 4th, and then compete in the Hill City Invitational on Feb. 6th.



Cade Bickerdyke on his way to a third place finish at the BF Invite. Courtesy photo



Brooks Clooten finishes third in the 220# division Riley Dighton Wrestling at 106# finished sixth. Audrey Bickerdyke photo

Lady Broncs BB Drops Lead-Deadwood

JIM TRIMBLE

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The Lady Broncs traveled to Lead-Deadwood a week ago Tuesday night for a game against the Lady Golddiggers.

The Broncs had to overcome the loss of leading scorer Bella Jensen in the first minute of the game but came away with a convincing 57-28 victory.

The Ladies used balanced scoring to start the game with five Broncs sharing the load to open an 11-5 lead after one quarter. The Broncs playing tough defense combined with

the offensive power of Tia Williamson who scored 7 of her 13 points in the second stanza and Belle led 23-11 at halftime.

The Broncs Dylan Stedille took over for Belle in the third quarter as she dropped in 11 of her game high 16 points including one from behind the arc and the Broncs built a 43-20 lead at the end of the quarter.

Sophomore guard Charlie Henwood sparked the fourth quarter for the Lady Broncs netting six points and teammates McKenzie Lyons, Mataya Ward, and Williamson all added buckets as the Broncs glided to

their 11th victory of the season against only 3 losses.

The Broncs shot a respectable 46% from the field for the evening. Belle pulled down 29 rebounds for the game with Ward leading the way with 5 clears. Kaylin Garza played a good floor game for the Broncs dishing out 5 assists and blocking two shots.

The Lady Broncs have two big games next on the schedule. They traveled to Rapid City to take on number one rated St. Thomas More vesterday and then will host Douglas in Belle Fourche on February 5th.



Bella Jensen goes high for jumpball tip off. Jamie Hockenbary photo



Hayley Wilber pulls in the ball from going out of bounds. Jamie Hockenbary photo



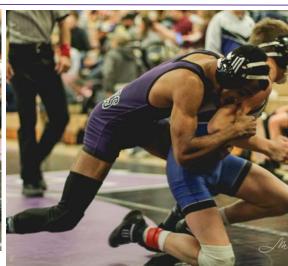
Grace Clooten working her way to the basket. Jasmyn Jensen puts deny pressure on L/D Jamie Hockenbary photo



opponent. Jamie Hockenbary photo



Hailey Rodriguez finishes fourth in her division. Audrey Bickerdyke photo



D'Angelo Garduna went on to pin his opponent on his way to a fourth place finish at 113# Courtesy photo





Audrey Bickerdyke photo



Hunter Quenzer working his way to sixth place in the 132# division. Audrey Bickerdyke photo

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From A1 Michael

Streeter family.

Cornhole Tournaments were split in adult and youth divisions. The \$60 registration per team adult bracket yielded 26 teams. The youth bracket became a sponsored tournament so that kids could play with no

Michael's Tournament of Heroes had 17 teams throwing the bags. The top four teams won donated and sponsored items from local businesses.

Twisted Apparel Co. sold Streeter Nation shirts online and at the event. Across the back of the shirt "Familia Ante Omnia" the Latin phrase meaning

representation of Michael and who he is!

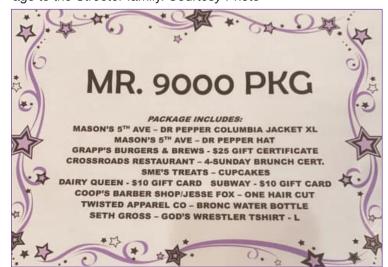
The fun day of games, socializing, food, and fun was highlighted by FaceTime with Michael as his mother Nicole Streeter walked around for people to say hello, many smiles and a few tears appeared throughout the crowd.



Community involvement and support of the Michael Streeter benefit was summed up perfectly in the sign Ginger Clyde made and included with her donation. Belle Fourche, "This is My Hometown". Courtesy Photo



A table showing some of the donated silent auction items at the Michael Streeter benefit. The Mr. 9000 package was purchased by Justin Tupper who donated the items in the package to the Streeter family. Courtesy Photo









Burgers: 17 Menu Choices Plus Weekly Specials

Two weeks ago an error in production of the paper resulted in the name of the author of a "Letter To The Editor" to be left out.

The policy of the Beacon remains the same and a submitter is required to sign their name to the letter.

The name was supplied and the letter signed, but unintentionally left off when building the page for the Beacon.

We received several emails and a few calls regarding the matter and wanted to take this opportunity to clear the air a bit.

The letter took a strong position on calling for a convention of states. A subsequent gathering at the Branding Iron drew a respectable crowd of interested individuals.

We received a call from one reader in Perkins County who questioned the "spirit" of some of the commentary and whether the Beacon was leaning a 'bit too political'.

The caller made several fine, positive points and we invited her to send a "Letter to The Editor" stating them.

We have various contributors to the Beacon that submit commentary. We don't state it with their writings every week, but have on occasion added the disclaimer, "The opinions of the writer are not necessarily the opinions of the Beacon or its management.

Let us say in conclusion: You have the right to state your opinion. When the spirit moves you, we welcome you to do so in a kind, productive and informative way.

> Ponder? Why do we have a memory that can remember the minutest detail of an event but no memory of who we already told.

Social tact is defined as making company "feel at home" when you wish that is where they were.

The young couple as they were preparing to embark on marriage had six theories on how to raise children.

Now years later they have six children and no theories.

Good Advice: Keep your temper. Never reply in angst or anger when responding to someone who is angry with you. Reply with soft words. The Good Book commands we do so and furthermore it will make them madder than anything else you could have said.

An efficiency expert was hired to look into a large employers operations to see if improvements could be made.

He went into the new product development division and asked the first person he saw, "What do you do? To which the employee replied, "Absolutely nothing." He stepped into the next cubicle and repeated the question, "What do you do?" The second employee gave the same reply, "absolutely nothing!"

The efficiency expert pulled out his clipboard and made a note: "Duplication in the New Product Division."

BURGERS

& BREWS

I'm sure this doesn't apply to anyone in this area of the country: The church council met to discuss the pastor's compensation package for the coming year. After the meeting, the chair of council told the pastor: "We are very sorry, Pastor, but we decided that we cannot give you a raise next year."

"But you must give me a raise," said the pastor. "I am but a poor preacher!"

"I know," the council chair said. "We hear you every Sunday."

Along those lines: Words of wisdom: "There's a fine line between a long, drawn-out sermon and a hostage situation."

The stranger approached the pastor after service and said, "I'd like you to pray for my hearing."

The pastor placed his hands on the man's ears and said a passionate, earnest prayer.

"How's your hearing now?" the pastor asked.

Looking surprised, the man said, "Well, it's not until tomor-

A businessman ordered flowers to be sent to the opening of a friend's new branch office. When the businessman got there, he was shocked to see the flowers with the inscription. "Rest In Peace." He was so outraged that he stopped at the florist to complain.

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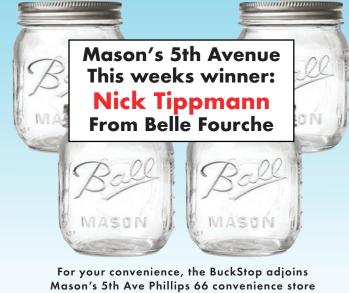
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Pastor's Perspective

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

Who Do We Listen To?

Who do we listen to? How do we listen to the different voices we hear around us? How do we respond to the varying and sometimes opposing information that we hear? Listening is 90% of communication. The failure to listen and authenticate the message costs American industry their largest losses. The story of Samuel (1 Samuel 3:1-20) is about listening. It can be easy to ignore warnings, small messages and passing requests. We need to practice listening to distinguish what is essential. This is as true today as it was Three-Thousand years ago for Samuel.

The story of Samuel is not just about a boy who hears God; it is about learning to hear God and responding. Samuel, like many adolescent boys, was probably not quick to respond when awakened during the night. How many soft nudges and quite murmurs did it take before Samuel actually went to Eli the first time? Eli is old tired and gets a bit grumpy at being woken up. Eli is probably thinking, I have things to do tomorrow and I won't be able to accomplish them if I don't get some sleep. By the third time around, grumpy may be an understatement. The bible, like texting, does not provide us with the intonation of the words. Is

Eli placating the boy by telling him if he is called again don't come to me and wake me up, respond to God and listen to what God has to say? Samuel is learning who to listen to and how to listen. The message God has for Samuel, isn't about Samuel. It's about Eli. Eli has not listened to God, nor has he taken action according to God warning. Now Samuel gets the message. Samuel thinks if he relays this

message, he'll be in trouble. Samuel obeys, relates that message to Eli and learns that God's call requires evaluation and prudent action. Samuel learns to listen for God, to hear God's message and then to take the time to assess the message before acting.

Samuel would have known the story of Jacob's ladder, (Gen 28:12,17), tells us that God is present, even if we don't know it. God is present right where you are, wherever you are - listen. I pray Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage, we humbly pray that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning and pure manners. Save us from violence discord and confusion, from pride





one united people the diverse multitudes of people who call this land their home. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those we entrust with authority of government, that there may be justice and peace in our lands.

Belle Silver ngs Senior

February 4th Oven Baked Chicken Roasted Red Potatoes Com Garden Salad

February 5th Baked Cod Rice Pilaf Broccoli Jello w/Fruit **Biscuit**

February 6th Chili w/cheese & onions Combread Winter Salad Cookie

February 7th **Pancakes** Sausage Patty Scrambled Eggs QJ

February 8th Chicken Enchiladas Refried Beans w/ cheese Mexican Rice Garden Salad

February 9th Steak Fritters Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Dessert

February 10th Beef Stroganoff w/Egg Noodles Mixed Veggies French Bread

Butte Electric Employees Support Community Organizations

COLLEEN BRUNNER

news@bellefourchebeacon.com NEWELL -- "Our employees are active members in the communities we serve and this program was a way to get them involved in the donation process and ensure we have our finger on the pulse of the needs of these communities," said John Lee, CEO.

According to Director of Marketing and Communications, Laine Mitchell, the funds were earmarked by the board of directors to be used in some fashion to support organizations that had been hit hard by the Covid-19 pandemic situation. Butte Electric Board Chairman Cris Miller, and other board members, made the determination to allow each employee up to \$500 each to contribute back to their individual communities, including Butte, Lawrence and Meade counties, where employees live and work.

These are the individual donations made by employees to the organizations or businesses they chose. Some employees chose to split their \$500 between two entities.

Elliot Rayman-\$500 to Black Hills Christian Academy, Corey Hines-\$500 to Black Hills Christian Academy, Colleen Schreiner-\$500 to Newell

\$250 to Spearfish Food Pantry, \$250 to Shriners, Angie Alexander-\$250 to Shriners, Dan Kenoyer-\$500 to Belle Fourche Fire Department, Laine Mitchell-\$250 to Black Hills Foster Parent Assoc., \$250 to Spearfish Senior Center, Mike Davis-\$500 to Line Patrol, Inc., John Branham-\$500 to Western Hills Humane Society, Craig Douthit-\$500 to Newell Ambulance, Brad Kari-\$500 to Newell Volunteer Fire Department, Adam Willuweit-\$500 to Sturgis Community Preschool, Chuck Even-\$500 Northern Hills Casa, Jacob Breidenbach-\$500 to Northern Hills Casa, James Gyles-\$500 to Northern Hills Casa, Darrick Eisenbraun-\$500 to Black Hills Yellow Jackets Foundation, Dave Pietz-\$500 to Whitewood Volunteer Fire Department, Jeff Hughes-\$500 to Vale Fire Department, Bart McLellan-\$500 to Northern Hills Training Center, Adam Zvorak-\$500 to Good Shepherd Clinic, Lee Ann Gaer-\$500 to Mud Butte Volunteer Fire Department, and Brett Foshiem-\$500 to Sturgis Ambulance.

Most of the employees had a personal attachment to the organization(s) they chose. Craig Douthit, Newell, supported the Newell Ambulance, where he

volunteered his time for the past 18 years. Others have children attending a school they supported, or they are members or have family members or friends involved with their organization. Some brief information about some of the organizations includes: Western Hills Humane Society is a no-kill, non-suffering pet shelter that protects, saves, and enhances the lives of abused, neglected, forgotten, and lost animals. The Spearfish Community Food Pantry serves the hungry in Spearfish and St. Onge, South Dakota. The pantry is funded by the community through donations and is staffed by all volunteers. The Yellow Jacket Foundation was created in 1974 to support Black Hill State student-athletes. Since the foundation's inception, contributors have been the driving force in both funding for athletic scholarships and improving athletic facilities.

The Newell Ambulance has been serving the citizens of eastern Butte County since the mid-1970s. Over many years the service has been staffed by volunteer EMTs and EMT-I's. These dedicated individuals have invested and continue to invest their time, efforts, and money to maintain the skills necessary to provide high-quali-

Butte Electric employee Craig Douthit, left, is

pictured with Newell Ambulance Director Sherry

Hocking and member Don Tishmack. Douthit's

ty patient care.

The Northern Hills Area CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) Program seeks to promote and protect the best interests of abused and neglected children involved in court proceedings through the advocacy efforts of trained volunteers. NHCASA serves the Fourth Judicial Circuit advocating for children in Butte, Meade, Lawrence, Perkins, Harding, Corson, Ziebach, and Dewey counties.

As first responders to fires, accidents and disasters, the Belle Fourche Volunteer Fire Department (BFVFD) helps protect the lives and property of Belle Fourche area residents and visitors. The delivery of these services, made possible by the contributions of the community, serve to make the Belle Fourche area a significantly safer place

In 1992, BHCA was established as an independent, evangelical Christian school serving children in preschool-12th grades in the Northern Black Hills. Today, BHCS has 29 teachers serving nearly 160 students from around the Northern Black Hills.

In addition to all these financial donations, several members voted to donate to the Shriners, and the Black Hills Meat Fest, which took place on November 7, had all proceeds help fund kids camps for local children of Shriners Hospitals. They are currently helping over 600 kids in Western South Dakota. Rushmore Electric Power Cooperatives were able to donate \$4,900.00 to this charitable event. Collectively the employees listed donated nearly \$10,000 to charitable causes in the Northern Black Hills.



Linemen Jacob Breidenbach, James Gyles, and Chuck Even donated \$1,500 collectively to the Northern Hills CASA and

are shown with CASA representatives. - Courtesy

Photos



BFVFD Lieutenant Jerod Lutter, BFVFD Treasurer Jim Groseclose, and BEC Lineman Dan Kenoyer, who donated \$500 to the organizations.



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Western Hills Humane Society is a no-kill, non-suffering pet shelter that protects, saves, and enhances the lives of abused, neglected, forgotten, and lost animals. Pictured are Jen, WHHS Administrator & Senior Kennel Tech, and BEC Lineman John Branham.



Lineman Elliot Rayman, BHCA Administrator Joy Arseneau, BHCA Principal Carrie Fremont, 4th grader Kenzie Hines, and Lineman Corey Hines.



CEO John Lee donated \$250 to the Spearfish Food Pantry, and he and Angie Alexander, Administrative Assistant, both donated \$250 to the Naja Shriners.



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Sheep Report - Thursday, January 28, 2021

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No Sale Next Week - Check Out The Black Hills Stock Showl Next Sale - February 11th - Feeder Lamb Special - 1 PM Thank You For Your Business!

Feeder Lambs

Dale Edwards Inc, Broadus MT	24 Lambs	60 \$286.00
Dale Edwards Inc, Broadus MT	102 Lambs	70 \$256.00
Dale Edwards Inc, Broadus MT	376 Lambs	83 \$242.00
Dale Edwards Inc, Broadus MT	81 Lambs	101 \$197.50
Mickelson, Travis, Mud Butte SD	9 Lambs	67 \$260.00
Mickelson, Travis, Mud Butte SD	80Lambs	82 \$243.00
Palmer, Dean/Shannon, Culbertson	34 Lambs	83 \$238.00
Palmer, Dean/Shannon, Culbertson	136 Lambs	105 \$198.50
Palmer, Dean/Shannon, Culbertson	78Lambs	130 \$159.50
Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY	34 Lambs	57 \$286.00
Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY	130 Lambs	69 \$260.00
Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY	17Lambs	87 \$236.00
Capp, Cody Or Callie, Faith SD		
Edsall-Taylor, Raenell, Hulett WY	45Lambs	54 \$277.00
Edsall-Taylor, Raenell, Hulett WY	20 Lambs	46 \$271.00
Edsall-Taylor, Raenell, Hulett WY		
Gotfredson Ranch, Newell SD	58Lambs	78 \$238.00
J3 Enterprises, Belle Fourche SD	14 Lambs	81 \$234.00
Kokesh, Dan Or Sue, Belle Fourche		
Kokesh, Dan Or Sue, Belle Fourche	32 Lambs	114 \$175.00
Mcamis, Steve/ Renee, Belle Fourche	25 Lambs	72 \$255.00
Mickelson, Clayton, Nisland SD	14 Lambs	77 \$231.00
Parks, Leroy, Nisland SD	49 Lambs	82 \$237.00
Parks, Leroy, Nisland SD	191 Lambs	100 \$200.00
Bred Ewes - Sold By The Head		
Hanson, Mike, Nisland SD	45 Yrlg To Sld Ev	ves.191 \$201.00
Hanson, Mike, Nisland SD	17 S-Ss Ewes	177 \$155.00
Slaughter Ewes		

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Blake, Clark, Belle Fourche SD	3 Klr Ewe	128 \$107.00
Gotfredson Ranch, Newell SD	20 Klr Ewe	156 \$107.00
Gotfredson Ranch, Newell SD	23 Klr Ewe	182 \$100.00
Gotfredson Ranch, Newell SD	8 Klr Ewe	140 \$89.00
Mickelson, Travis, Mud Butte SD	45 Klr Ewe	139 \$107.00
Mickelson, Travis, Mud Butte SD	36 Klr Ewe	127 \$89.00
Murnion, Parker, Kinsey MT	4 KIr Ewe	122 \$89.00
Palmer, Dean/Shannon, Culbertson		
Pittman, Marissa, Belle Fourche SD	3 Klr Ewe	168 \$100.00
Secrest, Shannon/Ashley, Buffalo SD	8 Klr Ewe	150 \$107.00

NEWELL SHEEP YARDS

Thursday, February 4, 2021 No Sale

Go See The Black Hills Stock Show

Thursday, February 11, 2021 Feeder Lamb Special1:00 PM

9:00 AM - Weigh ups - 12 Noon - Feeder Cattle

Upcoming Sheep Sale 2021
Feb 11th – Feeder Lamb Special– Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
Feb 18th – Regular Sale– Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
Feb 25th – Regular Sale – Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
March 4th – Regular Sale – Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
March 11th – Bred Ewe Special – Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
March 18th – Regular Sale – Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
March 25th – New Crop Lamb Sale – Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

Limpert Joins Interstate Engineering as Office Manager

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Interstate Engineering is proud to announce and welcome Mark Limpert as the Office Manager of the Mandan office. Limpert, a Senior Project Manager, has years of Departments of Transportation experience, municipal relationships, transportation infrastructure management, and client relations experience to add to the vibrant team.

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Mark is a Harding County, SD native.

Limpert has over 30 years of experience throughout the Great Plains region, with projects as far east as Minneapolis and as far west as Wyoming. With a passion for seeing large projects come together, he is driven by building and maintaining connections, both in infrastructure and with clients.

"Having worked with state agencies, international firms, and a range of clients, I am looking forward to leveraging



my skills in an established and thriving Midwest firm," said Limpert. "There is a great opportunity to build the team and the company's presence in the Bismarck-Mandan and the surrounding area, and I look forward to being a leading driver in what comes next."

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U.S. Capitol building at 8:00 am EST. Photo taken by John Cole BFHS Class of '93 who's Michigan Guard Unit has been deployed to the Capitol. Courtesy Photo





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I have no author for todays submission...and I don't even know when I got it. Its been in my files for some time. But it might as well have been written today.

Image of the Week

On the surface of the Earth exactly now there is war and violence and everything looks horrible. But, simultaneously, something quiet, calm and hidden is happening and certain people are being called by a higher light. A quiet revolution is settling from the inside out. From bottom to top. It is a global operation. A spiritual conspiracy. There are cells from this operation in every nation on the planet.

You will not watch us on TV. Or read about us in newspapers. Or hear our words on radios. We do not seek glory. We do not use uniforms. We arrive in several different shapes and sizes. We have costumes and different colors. Most work anonymously. Silently we work out of the scene. In every culture in the world. In large and small cities, in the mountains and valleys. In the farms, villages, tribes and remote islands.

We might cross paths on the streets. And not realize ... We follow in disguise. We are behind the scenes. And we do not care about who wins the gold of the result, and Yes, that the work gets performed. And once in a while we will cross paths on the streets. We exchange looks of recognition and continue following our path. During the day many are disguised in their normal jobs. But at night behind the scenes, the real work begins.

Some call us army of consciousness. Slowly we are building a new world. With the power of

our hearts and minds. We follow with joy and passion. Our orders reach us from the Central Spiritual Intelligence. We're throwing soft bombs of love without anyone noticing; poems, Hugs, songs, photos, movies, fond words, meditations and prayers, dances, social activism, websites, blogs, acts of kindness ...

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Cole Elshere Wins Rapid City X Broncs Aboard Onion Ring

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RAPID CITY - It was a clash of saddle bronc riding titans when Cole Elshere combined with Korkow Rodeo's Onion Ring to win the Rodeo Rapid City (S.D.) PRCA Xtreme Brones Match with a 90-point ride, Jan. 30.

Competition was stiff at the X Broncs where a minimum of 86 points was needed to stay in the money.

"It's just a big blessing," said Elshere, 31. "I was just so thankful to make 90."

Elshere is a four-time National Finals Rodeo qualifier (2012-14, 2020) with a rich history of success in Rapid City, starting with winning the Range Days Rodeo his rookie year in 2010, 2012 and 2013. He also won Rodeo Rapid City's bull riding in 2018.

"It's one of the closest ones to my house and has a hometown feel to it," Elshere said. "It's been a good rodeo to me, and my parents were here and so was my wife (Kyndra) and daughter (Everley, 4 months), and a bunch of cousins. I even got to ride with my cousin J.J. tonight, and that's always fun."

Onion Ring's reputation is as hot as the snack she's named after. Wyatt Casper won Round 5 of the 2020 Wrangler NFR with 90.5 points on Onion Ring and won the first round of The American in 2020 on her. Onion Ring also took Mason Clements to the winner's circle at the NFR in Round 5 in 2017 and helped two cowboys win the **RAM National Circuit Finals** Rodeo's final round – R.C.

Landingham in 2017 and Tim O'Connell for a split win in 2018.

Elshere and Onion Ring crossed paths at the Super Series Finish in Fort Worth, Texas, in May and won Bracket 5's

third round with 86.5 points.

"She bucked harder and was a lot stronger this time," Elshere said. "She got out

and was after it right off the

Elshere went on to finish 13th in the PRCA | RAM World Standings after a rough go at the Wrangler NFR where he covered one bronc and was out of the money in every round. He finished 15th in the average and went home needing some physical therapy for his right (riding) arm.

"It was really important for the new season to get a good start and even more important because I had a rough Finals," Elshere said. "I was at home doing therapy on my shoulder, so to make a great ride is going to help my confidence going forward. I'm not sure what you'd classify it (the injury) as, but it was way deep in the rotator cuff and I couldn't lift correctly. We have a lady at home (in Faith, S.D.) who rubs all the microfibers of the muscles back together."

Elshere is back to feeling normal and was eager to get back in the saddle after drawing Onion Ring.

'Onion Ring is one of the best horses going down the road, and I was tickled to see my name next to hers," he said.



Faith, SD bronc rider Cole Elshere wins the Xtreme Broncs title at Rodeo Rapid City Sunday. -Photo Courtesy Clay



Josh Frost will remain in the No. 1 spot in the world standings after winning the Rodeo Rapid City (S.D.) PRCA Xtreme Bulls Division 2 event with a 91.5-point ride on Dakota Rodeo's D-Day, Jan. 29. Frost earned \$4,004 for his eight seconds of work. . - Photo Courtesy Clay Guardipee



Wisdom From Out West!

The Opinions of Robert Dennis; self-employed, rancher, saddle maker, poet, picker and chopped liver.

The Dog Days of Winter

Tate, our middle son (and his mother's favorite according to his brothers), got their Missus, a little house mutt, against my objections.

Thats it, he is out of the will!

Little white booger with brown around an eye and around it's tail. I say it's, as she claims it is, female and I claim it is male... the plumbing don't look right to me, for it to be female... to low and far away from the tail... time will prove one of us right, I guess.

As most in this area who may stumble across and read the drivel I write and is published in here know, it has been a pretty dry, warm winter. We don't get many of those. I used to think we had to have winter snow for moisture and especially to fill water holes. Dad claimed it could rain enough in the spring to fill water holes and dams, but I have only seen that a few times in my 63 years here.

We have enough wells and pipeline we can do without the natural and man made water holes, but it's always nice to see them full. This is a high desert area and normally (like it is ever normal around this country) we get about 15 inches

of moisture. Over the years I have noticed that

the snows that come in March and April seem to do us more good than the stuff that hangs around all winter.

I bet we are about to get some. Seems like most of our moisture comes in April, May and June. But it always varies. Odd how it usually coincides with the 1st of April when we start calving. Of course probably more comes earlier, when others start calving, but it doesn't cause me as much loss of sleep or hardship, so I probably don't remember it. One good thing about having a memory like I do, I tend to just remember the good and not the bad.

Dad always said, "The Good Lord will send us just as much moisture as we need and evidently some years we don't need as much!" Here is hoping He wants us to have a more normal type year, moisture wise. Or even wetter! About the 1st of April when we are supposed to start calving, I bet we start getting some moisture. Don't tell me God doesn't have a sense of humor!



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and many of them not having the skills and routines necessary to pass all their course work (remotely)."

In the elementary school the gap in learning was also noticed by Principal Julie Hatling. Many of her students are only beginning to learn to read and the lack of face-to-face learning last year slowed the process.

"Our teachers are working really hard to get those kids caught up," Hatling said, "and we have plans for summer so those gains can continue."

Raba also says a more aggressive summer school program is in the offing this year for high school students.

"We're looking at expanding our summer school with the help of some CARES dollars," he said. "And we should be able to help some kids get caught up and get some credit recovery so they're ready to move on next year. It's a lot of work and I'd like to highlight the efforts of my staff and everything they've done this

Supt. Willard says activities have returned to a pre-pandemic

normal with no restrictions put on the number of fans attending contests. The district is recommending that fans follow CDC guidelines for social distancing and the wearing of face cover-

"As far as activities, we're in good shape considering challenges," Activities Director Adam Nowowiejski added. "Our coaches were under a lot of stress this past year with things that have taken them out of their routines; taking photos, temperature checks, contact tracing, shuffling lineups, lots of cancellations, rescheduling events. And it also impacts our event workers and officials. They have all done a tremendous job of getting us through the fall season and now into the winter season."

The district implemented a live streaming service for school events and athletic contests through NFHS. After a few kinks Nowowiejski says that system is working very well now.

Enrollment

Enrollment over the past five years has consistently fluctuated between about 1350 and 1375 students. At the end of January 2021 the district had 1,354

students, a drop of 19 students from January 2020. But Willard forecasts an increased enrollment next school year as more families move to western South Dakota.

Already Hatling says her numbers are up in the new semester. "We have had 29 students move away but I've received 44 new students (this trimester)," she said. "It's been really nice to have so many new faces and a lot of good families that have joined us this year."

FINANCES

It's been an out-of-the-ordinary year (to say the least) on the financial side for the district. According to Willard, two major factors come into play monetarily - reduced overhead and vastly increased funding.

"Financially the district is on solid ground," he said. "CARES ESSER-1 funds and the CRF funds have helped pay for the additional education expenses caused by the pandemic. Also reduced operating costs due to not having students March through May 2020, and a mild winter, have helped backfill the loss of 30 students in the projected 2020-2021 enrollment." According to District Busi-



Belle Fourche School Board members were able to get a taste of what the students get for lunch during their annual board retreat Jan. 25th. Justin Olson, Food Service Director, makes his presentation to the board as he reviewed the past year. Olson's company, Lunchtime Solutions, is the district's food service provider. During 2020 there were COVID challenges but the company was able to pivot to providing free breakfast and lunches to the community during the spring and summer. In all, Olson says they provided 75,000 free meals to the community; one of the more successful programs the Dakota Dunes-based company took part in the state this past year. - Beacon Photo

Capitol News

CHARLIE ODELL news@bellefourchebeacon.com

I decided I had better do the news before I forgot how to get into where I needed to be to do it. Too late, but Karen showed me where to go so here is the news.

On Wednesday I went to the Buffalo to get groceries and cake. On Friday night we watched Mitchell wrestle at Brookings. We got to see Cody, Kyle and the kids setting in the stands and they waved at us. Karen worked on refinishing a chair and on the Vaughnsville history book. She has started the second "Rowen" book and is doing her Christmas letter. She entertained Hywel with violin solos. She talked to Bill Foulkes, a high school classmate from Ohio and her cousin Brenda Davis in Florida on the phone. She e-mailed with Jeanne Dineen and Linda Ridenour in Ohio. Our electricity was off for a while on Saturday night. The employees at Southeast Electric do a great job getting the power back on. Thanks guys. On Sunday we went to the Methodist Church and Karen played the piano. We had a delicious prime rib sandwich at the "Over the Edge" for dinner.

Pete Anderson has been doing the normal ranch chores. He went to the Methodist Church and ate dinner at the "Corner Cafe" on Sunday

Justin Kerr, Krista and Kyra went to Rapid City to the stock show and horse sale on Saturday and Sunday. Marian Kerr and Kanyn Padden dog sat for them. They took Kyra back to Ekalaka on Sunday and had supper at the Wagon Wheel.

Monday afternoon Ronda Cordell went to Ekalaka to the Winter Ag Series and supper at the Event Center. On Wednesday she went into town, had lunch at the Over the Edge, dropped a coal scuttle at Sheep Mountain Taxidermy to be filled with wood ashes the next time Eric's stove needed cleaning and mailed letters. As she came home, she drove on up to Bergstrom's to see the progress Ross Phelps was having putting trim up and dropped off lick tubs for the horses up there. She found a bit more snow up there. On Thursday, she made a quick trip to Buffalo and ate lunch at Blossoms & Brew before heading home. On Friday afternoon she went to Ekalaka for a birthday get-together at the Wagon Wheel. On Saturday she went to Camp Crook to pick the coal scuttle up. She drove to Justin Kerr's for a visit with Marion on the way back from town. Sunday was Darby Zolnoski's 4th birthday and she joined the Zolnoski's for a birthday dinner. Cristen and Jayda Westling came from Rapid City to join them. It's been a lot of dining out this week. Seems kind of good for a change. Clint Zolnoski made a trip to Baker Wednesday to pick up pipe from Baker Metal and drop off the Can-Am to be hauled on to Miles City for its 'pre calving checkup'. On Thursday Zolnoski's had eye appointments in Rapid City. One of the

ranch pickups was taken and left for a checkup down there. They stayed over in Spearfish at Secrest's Thursday night. Friday afternoon there was a birthday celebration in Belle Fourche for Darby. Several friends enjoyed swimming and goodies in what Darby called a castle. Zolnoski's stayed over at Tony Albright's before returning home Saturday.

Erma Albert had physical therapy on Monday and Thursday. They went to the Senior Citizens fried chicken dinner on Friday. There were 38 people at the dinner and 17 take out meals. They went to church on Sunday and then had lunch at the Number 3 with Father Brian and the Helms.

Lynn Gustufson got home from Alabama on Sunday. Bruce has just been doing the normal ranch chores.

Julia Davis has just been going to work and coming home. She had court on Tuesday. Doug has just been taking care of livestock.

The big news at Ernie and Rachel Melum's was that Tommy turned eleven on Saturday. He had two parties on Sunday. One at Rachel's Moms and one at her sisters. Everyone had a great time. They went to church in Baker.

Dorothy Padden went to the AAU wrestling with Bryce and Dawn on Tuesday and on Thursday they went to the Jr. High girls basketball game. Donna Lewis went to the wrestling meet in Baker on Tuesday. Her Great Grand Daughter Jayce wrestles for Baker. She stayed over night and went home on Wednesday. She baked a birthday cake for her other Great Grand Daughter Kael. On Wednesday Mindy Yates

On Wednesday Mindy Yates and Kylie Kennedy vaccinated heifer calves for Alvin Cordell. Marlee and Alvin had a tax appointment in Belle Fourche on Friday. They stayed over to watch Gavin's basketball game. On Sunday Marlee went to church in Camp Crook. Jay was out for the weekend. The aerial hunter was flying on Sunday and Alvin heard some shots so hopes that he got some coyotes.

Dawn and Bryce Padden went to Buffalo for the AAU wrestling on Tuesday and the Jr. High girls basketball game on Thursday. On Saturday the went to Ekalaka to watch their nephews play basketball. They start calving in about two weeks, so are busy getting everything ready for that. It not unusual to get calves a week or so early so they want to be prepared.

Jena and Ian Flatgard and Joe worked calve Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Jena and Ian went to town on Friday. Ian had an appointment at the dentist.

This time of year you can just about cover the news by saying everyone stayed home and took care of livestock. The weather looks to be pretty decent for the first part of this week and then it looks like we could get some colder weather. We have had a pretty mild winter so far, even though we have not had a lot of real sunny days. I hope that everyone has a great week and Karen will be talking to you next Sunday.

ness Manager Susan Proefrock the district either has or will receive a total of \$2,390,631 from federal and state sources. Another \$66,870 allocation to the district may be coming as part of Governor Kristi Noem's proposed one-time \$11 million allocation to state school districts for coronavirus relief. This was designed to mitigate budget shortfalls for districts with decreased enrollments.

Another state source of funding, the Governor's Emergency Educator Relief, or GEER fund, is available and the district will be applying for a portion of those funds.

Last spring the district received its first funding, the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund, or ESSERF, in the amount of \$344,135. ESSERF is designed as reimbursable funding, meaning the district has to spend the money and apply for reimbursement. These funds may be spent on custodial supplies and wages, online learning programs, staff development, curriculum and the like. The district has used \$285,000 already. Uses include the hiring of a full time IT person, a part time school nurse, 300 Chrome books, Canvas online learning platform, summer learning programs, air filters, personal protective equipment, and iPads for school leaders among other things. The unused portion is \$59,000 and that must be used by Sept. 30, 2022.

The second boost in funding came from the less restrictive Coronavirus Relief Fund, or CRF monies. The district was granted \$687,500 to be used for distance learning costs, tech purchases, class barriers, sanitation supplies, floating substitute teacher costs, stipends for staff, building improvements to ventilation and an extra PARA at the high school. Of these funds \$200,000 was put into the district's capital outlay fund, \$29,000 to special education and the rest into the general budget. CRF money must be spent by Dec. 31st of this year.

After the second Cares Act passed in late December a second round of ESSERF funding is on the way, referred to as ESSERF-2. The district has been allotted \$1.3 million in this round of funding.

"This money, ESSERF-2, will be like ESSERF-1," Proefrock said. "You have to spend the money and then get reimbursed.



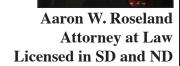


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Fri. Feb 19, 2021 BF @ Faith Boys & Girls 6PM & 7:30PM

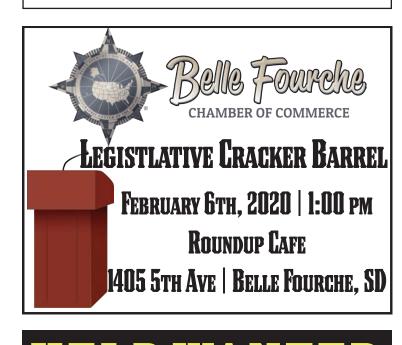
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From B3 **School Board**

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ESSERF-2 use restrictions will mirror those of ESSERF-1.

BUILDINGS

Tommy Coyle, Dir. of Facilities and Transportation, presented to the board a list of projects currently being worked on or that soon will be. He reports his department is a bit shortstaffed and they have been busy with cleaning and disinfecting.

He says they have changed air filters in all buildings to a higher HEPA rating and are in the process of replacing water fountains with bottle filling stations.

He reports that North Park is in good shape but will have to have a boiler replaced this summer. Also, South Park Elementary will need to have the north section of its roof replaced this summer. They also plan to add air conditioning to South Park this summer and expect that project to move forward with RFP's soon. Funding for that will come from ESSERF monev. There are also plans to add lockers in the 3rd and 4th grade wing at South Park.

Both North Park and South Park are due for security upgrades, including cameras, keycard entry systems and reconfiguration of pick-up drop-off areas. North Park will also see a new intercom system

Coyle says the Belle Fourche Middle School is in very good condition with no big projects planned. The alternative school will need a leak repaired in a basement wall.

At the high school Coyle says

a big project will be asphalt upgrades on the backside of the building. A new air handler will be installed at the north end of campus and they will be finishing ADA upgrades at the football complex.

OTHER ITEMS

School board members also gave their unanimous consent once again to make their traditional annual contribution to the School Board Scholarship fund. Each board member donates a one-month stipend to the fund which amounts to \$75 per board member. The scholarship is awarded second semester.

"All we ask is that those interested fill out a general application," said Raba. "It's basically assessed on need, the student's involvement in school and the likelihood of completing their post secondary education."

In one final item, Gov. Noem has appointed Superintendent Willard to the South Dakota State Board of Educational Standards (formerly the SD Board of Education). His term begins January 1st and he will be replacing Kay Shellenkamp of Spearfish, former President of Black Hills State University.

FFA at the Stock Show- Schedule

Wednesday, February 3rd - Precision Ag Integration,

led by RDO Equipment Company

Thursday, February 4th - Beef Day, led SD Beef Industry Council with Miss

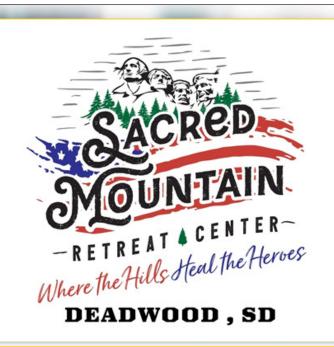
Rodeo America and the Junior Beef Ambassadors

Friday, February 5th – "Creating Tomorrow Today, the Future of Meat Processing," led by Tyson Fresh Meats

Saturday, February 6th - Swine Day, led by SD Pork Producers







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HS Boys Basketball Feb. 5 Douglas 4:30pm

HS Girls Basketball Feb. 5 Douglas 6:00PM Feb. 18 New Underwood 7pm (All games at BHFS)

HS Wrestling

Feb 4 5:00pm BFHS JV/V Dual with Hot Springs **Fabric of Our Lives** Feb. 6th 9am - 5pm Tri-State Museum

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124 years ago Northwest Times Feb 6, 1897

Claim Pickler's Election A special from Pierre - Congressman John A. Pickler, a republican, has been elected Senator to succeed Senator J. H. Kyle, populist. At least his friends say so. They point to the following from the state constitution as proof of their claim: :No judge of the supreme or circuit court shall be elected to any other than a judicial office." Therefore the balloting Tuesday resulted as follows" Pickler, 53; Plowman, 19; Kellar, 30; Loucks, 6; Goodykoontz, 6; Kellar, 2; Kirk, 2; Palmer, 1; total 119: necessary to a choice, 60. If the section of the constitution is held valid and the votes for Plowman who is now a circuit judge are thrown out, then one hundred votes were cast, and as Major Pickler received fifty three, or two more the a majority.

Lafayette"s Reward Receipt Found for the Sum Awarded

Him By Congress An interesting old document has been found in the Treasury Department. It was the original warrant dated 1825 directing the Treasurer of the United States to pay Gen. Lafayette the sum of \$200,000 "in consideration of his services and sacrifices" in the revolutionary war. The document is old, faded, and badly torn, but briefed and docketed in regular form. On the back appears the endorsement: "Received payment, January 11, 1925," and the fine, feminine-like signature "Lafayette." Document signed by William A. Crawford, Secretary of the Treasury.

Talk of the Town Dr. Champney had a fine cow die this week. Mrs. Lee Brooks is very sick with pneumonia. Druggist Taylor's pleasant countenance again sinnes behind the counter at the City Drug Store. D. R. Evans still finds business in real estate. He sold the Keagy ranch, nine miles west of town to John. S. Barr. The TIMES us now offering the greatest clubbing rates ever offered in this country. Three papers for the paltry sum of \$1.25. Arthur Gay expects two carloads of machinery and wagons soon.

> 100 years ago Northwest Post Feb 3, 1921

Town and Country Krenzien, Jeweler and Optometrist - Tobacco for sheep - at Hoover's

Fred Harris returned Monday from a week's stay at Minneapolis. H. F. Dehlinger of Buffalo was a Belle Fourche caller last week

Will Help In Filling Out Income Returns Itinerery for Butte, Meade and Lawrence counties to be covered by staff for the purpose of assisting taxpayers with their income returns for the year 1920. No charge will be made for this service.

Planning For Round-Up Committees Named and Actual Work

Starts for Our Next Show The directors of the Tri-State Fair and Sales Association have selected the committee to have charge of the 1921 Tri-State Round-Up, and active work on this year's show has started. While the amount of purses to be offered has not been definitely decided, the amounts will be suffciently large to attract some of the best talent in the business, and the show this year will eclipse anything attempted here in former years. Some special features and additional attractions will be procured that will insure Round-Up visitors one continuous round of entertainment and pleasure from morning until well into the night of the three days of the show, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 4, 5 and 6. The following committeemen have been named: Chairman, D. R. Evans; Vice-Chairman, T. F. Harris; Secretary and Talent, R. L. Bronson; Treasurer and Gates, C. A. Quarnberg; Tickets, Grand Stand and Bleechers, Phil Dale; Live Stock, B.O. Buchanan and Geo. T. Craig; Advertising, J. S. Smith; Concessions, D. W. Hickey; Police, John Scotney; Entertainment, J. E. Steward. Monday of this week Messrs. Buchanan and Craig of the live stock committee went to C. H. Wilson's ranch in the Jump Off country in Harding county to make arrangements with Mr. Wilson for the well-known horses, Tipperary and Tip-Top, as well as other buckers of Mr. Wilson's string. Mr. Wilson will bring a string of fifty horses to the Round-Up, among them being some of the snakiest, twisting animals that ever entered an arena. Mr. Wilson said, "Tell them the boys will sure have to

75 years ago Belle Fourche Daily Post Jan. 31, 1946 Funeral Service For Officers Were Held - Slain By Convict Malcolm's Rites Conducted Tuesday Here – Matthews Laid

to Rest at Spearfish

ride for their money."

The communities of Spearfish and Belle Fourche paid their last tribute to Sheriff Dave Malcolm, Belle Fourche, and Tom Matthews, Spearfish, who were killed Thursday night, by a convict, identified as George S. Sitts, who escaped the previous Sunday from the Hennipin county jail in Minneapolis while awaiting transfer to the Minnesota state penitentiary at Stillwater to serve a life sentence after pleading guilty to



by Mary Buchholz

charge of second degree murder after his capture near Glencoe, Minnesota. Matthews' services were held Sunday afternoon at the Spearfish Masonic Temple, with the Rev. E. F. Siegfriedt, Lead, officiating, and burial was in the Spearfish cemetery.

Last rites for Dave Malcolm were held from the Methodist church in Belle Fourche, Tuesday afternoon with Rev. L. A. Johnson, officiating. The Odd Fellows lodge of Belle Fourche had charge of the graveside services out at the Pine Slope cemetery. Dave was born March 15, 1899 in Glamis, Scotland; came to USA 1905. He was married to Miss Edith Thomson, who survives along with baby daughter Elizabeth Ann. Dave was elected sheriff on the republican ticket at the 1944 general election.

Elmer Conner Named Malcolm's Successor At a special meeting of the Butte county commissioners, held Friday afternoon, Elmer Conner, a resident of the Orman township community for the past thirty-five years, was appointed to fill out the unexpired term of the late Sheriff Dave Malcolm, who was killed last Thursday night. Mr. Conner was an independent candidate for the sheriff's position at the 1944 election, being defeated at that time by Malcolm. He assumed the duties of the office the same day as his appointment, and is planning to move into the sheriff's living quarters at the county jail building in a few days. Elmer is at present serving as clerk of the Orman school district.

50 years ago Belle Fourche Daily Post Feb 5, 1971 For Roundup Evenings Rex Allen Show Slated

"The Rex Allen Show" starring Rex Allen (Mr. Cowboy) and other nationally known entertainers, will be presented each evening of the 1971 Black Hills Roundup, it was announced this week by Roundup officials following signing of a contract for the performance.

In addition to Rex Allen, the evening performances will feature Mary Taylor, a recording artist who has appeared on the Hee-Haw television show; Pedro Gonzalez, TV and motion pictures performer, and the Man of the West, a singing group.



Rex Allen



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"Building Main Street, not Wall Street"-

by John Newby

Local Businesses Must Play Their Part

Anna Lappe once stated, "Every time you spend money, you are casting a vote for the kind of world you want." This has never been more accurate than in a local community. I might add, the smaller the community, the more necessary and true

this statement rings. While we tend to spend our time focusing on the need to shop local, be local, and adopt a truly-local DNA, we must not neglect what that truly means from a business point of view.

This past week, a reader contacted me about how hard it is to shop local in his area because local businesses didn't require masks, whereas the national chains for the most part did insist on wearing of masks. While I don't want to debate the politics of wearing a mask, it did give me cause to think about the role of locally-owned businesses in the overall efforts of building a truly-local DNA within the community.

We've written many columns discussing the financial reasons for spending our personal and government dollars hyper-locally. Let me reiterate an example showing the power of a concentrated local spending program. In a community of 10,000 residents, what if every resident spent an additional \$25 each month locally that they may have spent outside the community or online? That \$25 multiplied by 10,000 residents is \$250,000 per month or \$3,000,000 per year that otherwise may leave the community. When we compound that 3-7X, the real community impact of that \$3,000,000 becomes between \$9,000,000 - \$21,000,000 each year. That is a lot of jobs! In order to entice locals to



John

spend locally. businesses must strive hard to meet the needs of the marketplace. What are the basics local business MUST do to earn a community effort and become a community with truly-local DNA? Customer Ser-

Newby Customer Service - Local businesses have the upper hand over national chains when it comes to providing customer service and localized unique shopping experiences. Locally owned businesses have a hard time competing on price with national chains able to offer lower prices due to bulk buying. In order to get locals to pay a little more, we must provide a better experience. We must provide reasons for them to come back. We must go out of our way to build relationships with our customers. We are far more likely to support friends, family and neighbor owned businesses when we believe those local businesses that we spend our money with, feel

that way same way towards us. Treat It Like A Job – Have you ever walked into a locally-owned business during a slow time and the owner was reading a book, playing solitaire on the computer or reading the latest Sports Illustrated? Those owners aren't treating their business like a job, but simply a hobby. I can't remember a job I have had that allowed me to spend time reading books or playing games on a computer. Slower times should be welcome, this allows you to update webpages, Facebook groups, reach out to past customers, researching growth strategies, doing customer surveys regarding your services and products. With the Internet as a tool, all the above and much more are

absolutely free.

Be Open – Studies show 70% of all retail purchases take place after 5:00PM and weekends. Far too often I see locally-owned businesses close at 5:00PM and offer reduced weekend hours. Communities and their locally-owned base must work together to stay open during hours consumers actually have time to shop. While staying open is an issue which takes the entire to community to support, it is the business base that must start this effort.

When you shop at locally owned businesses, you are casting a vote for the American dream. You are voting with your pocketbook and saying you believe in your community. You want to see it flourish. While there are many pathways for community residents to improve themselves financially, one of the most effective ways for business owners to move upward is through the community supporting locally owned businesses. Your dollars spent locally are in a true sense investing in enhanced local entrepreneurship, which also

results in real economic growth. I have said it many times and I will express it yet again. The future of our small and medium size towns will rely on the success of the locally owned businesses. When we support them, we are building our own Main Streets and sending much less to Wall Street. When we figure out ways to build our communities through a locally owned business base, we are building long-term sustainability and increased community self-reliance. Those two items are what will assure our community survives the economic conditions, regardless of what they might be.

John A. Newby, author of the weekly "Building Main Street, Not Wall Street " column dedicated to assisting communities and local media companies combine synergies allowing them to not just survive, but thrive. His email is: john@ 360MediaAlliance.net.

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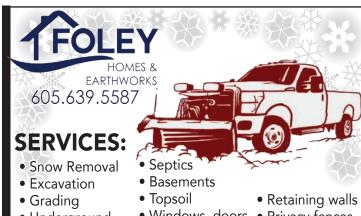
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Fisher Ranch, Bowman ND	41	Black-Brd Hfr	. 1092 1510.0
	14	Black-Brd Hfr	. 9941400.0
Ben & Lori Garman, Belle Fourche SD	22	Black-Brd Cow Bm	. 1495 935.0
	8	Black-Brd Cow Bm	. 1311835.0
Troy Mills, Boyes MT	17	Blk/Bwf-Brd Cow Sm	. 1466985.0
Spur Land & Livestock, Newcastle WY	25	Black-Brd Cow Sm June	. 1495 950.0
	7	Black-Brd Cow Bm June	. 1621800.0
	15	Black-Brd Cow 3-4 Yo June	. 1217 1310.0
	11	Black-Brd Cow 5-6 Yo June	. 1488 1075.0
Jesse C Labree, Ekalaka MT	16	Black-Brd Cow Bm	. 1323825.0
Bryan Tarter, Ashland MT	20	Black-Brd Cow Bm	. 1254875.0
Cato Soldier Creek Ranch, Sheridan WY			
Weigh Ups			
Ben & Lori Garman, Belle Fourche SD	17	Black-Cow	. 130759.7
	6	Black-Cow	. 124360.2
Lyman Ranch, Ten Sleep WY	1	Black-Cow Open	. 157058.5
	1	Black-Cow Open	. 123547.5
David L Or Donna Dutcher, Newcastle WY	1	Bwf-Cow	. 128057.5
	1	Black-Cow	. 118552.0
Harry Tavegia, Osage WY	1	Bwf-Hfrt	. 101590.0
	1	Bwf-Cow	. 136552.5
Darrell & Leanne Hohn, Deadwood SD	1	Black-Cow	. 154057.5

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Spur Land & Livestock, Newcastle WY	8	Black-Cowette	. 1001	71.00
	1	Black-Cow	. 1515	57.50
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	8	Blk/Bwf-Cow	. 1332	54.50
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Monument Health to Focus on COVID-19 During **Second Annual Rodeo Rapid City Health Summit**

RAPID CITY, S.D. For the second year, Monument Health is providing free and low-cost services during the Black Hills Stock Show inside the Rodeo Zone in the Ice Arena. The focus of the 2021 Monument Health Community Health Summit is COVID-19 safety and prevention.

Troy Mills, Boyes MT

Services provided will include free asymptomatic COVID-19 testing, testing for the COVID-19 antibody and low-cost immunizations to protect you from influenza, pneumonia, human papillomavirus, shingles and others. Immunizations will be available at the Community Health Summit, no appointment necessary. Additional resources and screenings will also be available.

In addition Monument Health will host speakers on the Rodeo Zone stage focusing on COVID-19 vaccination safety, mental health and COVID-19, heart health and COVID-19,

and other topics. Monument Health general surgeons will provide demonstrations on the DaVinci Robotic Assisted Surgery System on Feb. 5 - 6.

'As the largest health care provider in western South Dakota, Monument Health has a responsibility to serve our communities, especially during this time," said Cory Ferguson, Monument Health Community Relations Specialist. "We feel it's important to bring these COVID-19 services, prevention measures and education opportunities to reach a population who may not have access to health care in their rural communities."

The Community Health Summit will be located in the Civic Center Ice Arena Jan. 29 to Feb. 6, during Rodeo Rapid City. Admission is free. Masks will be required and other COVID-19 precautions will be in place, including hand sanitizing and social distancing. The

venue will be open each day from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m, with clinical screenings and preventive care available Jan. 29, 30, 31 and Feb. 5 and 6 from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Lab wellness screenings including asymptomatic COVID-19 testing, COVID-19 IgG antibody testing and others will be available each day. The full schedule of events is available on our website by going to monument. health/communityhealthsummit.

For the first time, the Monument Health Foundation will join the Community Health Summit booth to sell its Tough Enough to Wear Pink T-Shirts. Proceeds from the shirt sales will support cancer care at the Monument Health Cancer Care Institute.

Monument Health plans to conduct this and future Community Health Summits at the Civic Center as part of its plan to promote wellness and serve the community's long-term health care needs.

USDA Offers New Forest Management Incentive for Conservation Reserve Program

WASHINGTON, - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is making available \$12 million for use in making payments to forest landowners with land enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) in exchange for their implementing healthy forest management practices. Existing CRP participants can now sign up for the Forest Management Incentive (FMI), which provides financial incentives to landowners with land in CRP to encourage proper tree thinning and other practices

"We are offering CRP landowners an opportunity to use forestry practices for a more targeted approach to improve forest health and wildlife habitat on their land," said Richard Fordyce, administrator for USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA). "The Forest Management Incentive enables landowners to maximize the conservation outcomes on their land, such as supporting wildlife, conserving soil and improving water quality."

Right now, less than 10% of land currently enrolled in CRP is dedicated to forestland. But, these nearly 2 million acres of CRP forestland, if properly managed, can have enormous benefits for natural resources by reducing soil erosion, protecting water quality, increasing water quantity, and diversifying local farm operations and rural economies.

Only landowners and agricultural producers with active

CRP contracts involving forest cover can enroll. However, this does not include active CRP contracts that expire within two years. Existing CRP participants interested in tree thinning and prescribed burning must comply with the standards and specifications established in their CRP

CRP participants will receive the incentive payment once tree thinning and/or other authorized forest management practices are completed.

The incentive payment is the lower of: The actual cost of completing the practice; or 75% of the payment rate offered by USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) if the practice is offered through NRCS conservation programs.

FSA will announce deadline later this year. Interested producers should contact their local FSA county office.

Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest private-lands conservation programs in the United States. It was originally intended primarily to control soil erosion and potentially stabilize commodity prices by taking marginal lands out of production. The program has evolved over the years, providing many conservation and economic benefits. The program marks its 35-year anniversary this month. Program successes include: Preventing more than 9 billion tons of soil from eroding. Reducing nitrogen and phosphorous runoff relative to annually tilled cropland.

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Full Slate of Activities in the Coming Week

Nominations sought for district teacher of the year.

COLLEEN BRUNNER news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL – Lot's of sports going on in the Newell area. With the wrap-up of the Little Moreau Conference for the girls this past week-and a victory for the Lady Irrigators, there's still plenty of sports, including a home wrestling meet, the Newell Round Robin at 5:30 p.m. on February 2.

At press time we will not know how she did, but the entire NVN area wishes good luck to Kayden Steele as she represents Newell High School at the Black Hills Stock Show 20x Rodeo on Sunday, January

Mr. Fiedler's welding class has been busy in the construction area. They recently finished a Strider bike hanger rack for the elementary/middle school gymnasium. The school uses the bikes for exercise/PE classes for these little tikes.

Congratulations go out to Kassidy Weeldryer, Jaelyn Wendt and Kayden Steele on being selected to the Little Moreau Conference Tourney team this past weekend.

The Newell school district is looking for a paraprofessional to help service their students. If you are interested you can find an application on the school website at newell.k12.sd.us. It needs to be filled out by February 3.

They are also soliciting nominations for the district teacher of the year.

"Please take time to nominate a teacher that has made a difference in your student's life," posted Principal Steve Schoenfish on the website. The forms are due by Friday, February 12.

Newell Girls Varsity Brings Home the Hardware



The Newell Lady Irrigators brought home the 2020-2021 Little Moreau Conference trophy. Back row: Assistant Emylee Hency, Taylor Gaer, Lexa Burtzlaff, Kassidy Weeldreyer, Kayden Steele, Jaelyn Wendt, Head Coach Scott Wince, Assistant Lacey Hewitt. Front row: Sydney Kjellson, Stacy Mahaffy, Mary Mahaffy, Rachel Erk, Kim Johnson. - Brunner photo

Full story and more photos on C4

Part 2 of 2 in the Series

Nisland Birder Brings New Meaning to "Free as a Bird"

COLLEEN BRUNNER news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NISLAND - You've heard the idiom before, "Free as a Bird." What does that make you feel like and how do you associate the entanglements of your life with being free? The definition of the idiom is "easy freedom or escape without entanglements." Because birds can fly, they are often symbols of freedom with their ability to quickly and easily escape from troubles, dangers, or complications. Oh, that we could be so free.

Who doesn't enjoy watching a bald eagle soar in the sky, or a pretty little bird perch on a post? Even ducks, geese and grouse can be enjoyable to watch, and to remind us that life can be free and easy if we just follow their example.

Aileen Brunner, Nisland, has done just that. She takes joy in

daily snapping photos and gathering information to add to her growing list, which she is now sharing on her Facebook page, Focus on Nature with Aileen. Her email is focusonnature@ outlook.com if you'd like to ask questions. She is currently adding more posts to the page, and hopes to share the knowledge she has gained, but even more to help educate our community about the birds that live in it.

The first bird she shares info about is the Sharp-Tailed Grouse. Many think they know what this bird is and mistake it for a sage hen, or some other variety of game bird. They are barred inn brown, black and buff and have V-shaped marks on the belly. It's a tubby, chickenlike bird with a small head, small bill, short legs and pointed tail. Her recent photo capture

Birds C2



Brunner captured this shot of a pretty Sharp-Tailed Grouse on Snoma Road, east of Belle Fourche.

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Newell School Menu Feb. 3 - 10

Wed. February 3

Lunch: Hamburger deluxe, whole grain bun, carrots, tropical fruit, fresh fruit, milk.

Thurs. February 4

Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, sausage patty, fresh fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Quesadilla, brussel sprouts, tropical fruit, fresh fruit, milk.

Mon. February 8

Breakfast: Breakfast sandwich or cereal, fresh fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Tangerine chicken, rice, stir fry vegetables, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit, milk.

Tues. February 9

Breakfast: Pizza bagel or cereal, fresh fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken patty, whole grain bun, green beans, pears, fresh fruit, milk.

Wed. February 10

Breakfast: Waffle sticks, egg patty, fresh fruit, juice, milk.

Lunch: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, apricots, fresh fruit, milk.

Ready to Rodeo



Kayden Steele represented the Newell high school rodeo team at the Black Hills Stock Show 20x rodeo this past Sunday, January 31. - Courtesy photo

Ready to Roll





(Top) Trev Fiedler's welding class created this Strider bike rack for the Newell school elementary/middle school gym. The bikes can be safely tucked away. (Above) These are the "littles" at the Newell school who ride the Strider bikes that are used during PE time. Now their bikes will be safely put away. - Courtesy photos

If you have Newell ~ Nisland ~ Vale calendar events you'd like to share please contact Colleen Brunner at colleenk-brunner@gmail.com with all the information.

For ANY school related activity-especially AWAY contests,

please check the school website at newell. k12.sd.us. Events, dates, and times change according to information available at the time. You cannot necessarily rely on the school calendar that was handed out at the beginning of the year.

Participate in Vision 2025-for all 4-H families: Registration is open for the February 20, March 2, and March 11 dates. Please contact Cindy at the Butte Extension Office 892-3371 for packet information and registering.

Private Pesticide Applicator testing can be done at the Butte/Lawrence extension office. An online Zoom training will be offered on



March 26th. Certified applicators are currently back to testing in office only.

Feb. 4: GBB/BBB with Hill City at Newell 3 p.m.

Feb. 5: State One Act Plays @ Brandon Valley-all day; GBB/BBB at Edgemont 1 p.m.

Feb. 6: ACT Test-all day; State One Act Plays @ Brandon Valley-all day; HSWR-BH Classic at Hill City, 9 a.m.; Newell Cribbage Tournament, 2 p.m. at Newell Bar. Feb. 8: MSBB-with Lead at Newell 4:30

p.m.; School Board Meeting 6 p.m. at Multi-purpose room, City Commission meeting 6 p.m. at city admin offices.

Feb. 9: Science Fair at school-all day; GBB/BBB-at Oelrichs 3 p.m.

Feb. 10: Science Fair-all day. Awards ceremony at end of school day.

From C1 BIRDS

of this bird came on Snoma Road, east of Belle Fourche.

"They live mainly in prairies and agricultural areas in summer and sheltered, wooded areas during the winter," said Brunner. These birds eat seeds, leaves, grains and insect on the ground and berries, buds and flowers in the trees.

On winter nights they may roost by burrowing into snowdrifts where the snow helps insulate them and protect them from predators. They grow a fleshy projection from their toes, which help them walk on unstable surfaces such as snow. In the spring males gather on display ground call leks. They do a fancy dance by raising and rattling their pointed tails and stamp their feet so fast they become a blur. They inflate their purple air-sacs on the side of their heads to make cooing noises. During the dance, many males have to take a break to rest—those that rest the least are favored by the females. Imagine that.

Brunner saw, and captured in print two Great Blue Herons along Highway 34 east of Sturgis and another on the eastern edge of Wyoming.

Great Blue Herons are commonly found in saltwater and freshwater areas but also in grasslands and agricultural fields, as the case of this photo. They are the largest Heron in North America at 38 to 53 inches in length. But they only weigh between six and eight pounds because their bones are hollow. They are a fancy bird, with long neck and legs, slate-blue, and dagger-like beak. They eat mostly fish, but also snakes, rodents such as voles and gophers, insects and birds. They stab their food with a very fast stab of their strong bills. They build their nests in colonies.

"There are rookeries near
Belle Fourche, Sturgis and Beulah," said Brunner, hoping that
others who share her enthusiasm will go check them out.
Another favorite she recently
photographed is the Female
red-bellied woodpecker. The
photo with this article was
snapped when the bird had a little snack from Brunner's feeder
outside her home.

The red-bellied woodpecker has black-and-white barred

feathers and a pale belly. The female has red on the back of the neck but the red on males go over the crown. They are medium-sized—a little bigger than a robin. They eat insects, nuts, and seeds. They love suet and use their tail as a brace against tree trunks.

"They are not common in our area normally, but their range seems to be extending further west," said Brunner.

Brunner said that Rough-Legged Hawks are only found in South Dakota in the winter or during migration. They breed in the Artic, so they travel quite a way to get here. Their numbers seem to be down this year, according to area photographers, but Brunner captured this bird north of Newell. They are so named because their feathers go clear down to their toes. "They favor open country, such as north of Belle Fourche and Newell and east of Sturgis," Brunner shared. To make things confusing to the potential bird-watcher, these birds are light-morph and dark-morph of the same species. These variations in color are called phases or "morphs."

These birds may be seen perching on power poles or fence posts, looking for small mammals or carrion.

Everyone driving down Highway 212 recently has probably seen a bald eagle or two, or maybe more. But there are also Golden Eagles in the area.

"They're a little harder to find than the bald eagles in this area," said Brunner. "Try north of Belle Fourche or Newell, or closer to Castle Rock or Hoover." She said these birds are similar in size to the bald eagle and they migrate, but may stay in the same place yearround, mostly in the western U.S.

She captured several pictures of an eagle spreading his wings to cool on a day last September north of Newell. The birds are brown with a lighter golden color on the back of their heads and neck. The feathers remain dark and go clear down to their feet. Their diet is mainly rabbits, prairie dogs and other small mammals. Watch out little

And then there are the majestic bald eagles. Brunner said these are her favorite. She has numerous photos of these birds and even has one she calls "Bandit" which spent a good

chunk of time in the tree outside her home, feasting on road-kill right along the highway.

Bald Eagles are prevalent from about November through February in our area; then most of them fly north for the spring.

"Check out Highway 212 between Belle Fourche and Newell, or Highway 79 from Vale to Castle Rock," said Brunner. "Also take some gravel roads off these highways and look up high in the trees. They are about three feet long so not too hard to miss."

Bald Eagles take 5 years to mature. They have all dark feathers the first year; the second year they get some white feathers in various places. By year three they start getting the white head and tail feathers and their beak starts turning yellow. Year four they have a mostly white head/tail but with some dark on the head. Mature bald eagles are five years and beyond and have all white heads. The word "bald" is an old English term for white.

Many people mistake this final bird as a Cardinal or some other red-feathered bird, not realizing the correct name. And they are actually plentiful in the local area.

"House Finches are a cheery, energetic little bird," said Brunner. "The males have a red upper breast and face and streaked brown back, belly and tail. Adult females are a little harder to identify because they are plain, grayish-brown, with thick, dark streaks. They are found in backyards, farms and grassland. They eat sunflower seeds at a feeder or on the ground, weed seeds and grain. House Finches are very social except during nesting season.

"They can sing any time of year from a high perch for a long time—a high, sharp 'cheeeep'," said this avid bird-watcher. "The house finches had a nest in a tree by my garden. They would sing profusely from a high spot."

If you want to know more about any of these birds, Brunner encourages you to contact her. She would love to point you in the right direction to find a bird who can remind you to be free. Brunner will share one more article of information and then you can follow her on her Facebook page. She plans to do prints of birds for those interested.







(Above left) Singing from a tree top in Brunner's yard is the House Finch. House finches perch on a high spot and sing profusely. The male house finch is easy to identify with the red but the look for the striped breast on females. (Center) This is a female red-bellied woodpecker Brunner captured as it was feeding on suet in the trees just outside her home at Nisland. The bird uses her tail for a brace. (Right) This golden eagle was spreading his wings to cool—it was a very hot September 2020 day north of Newell - A. Brunner photos



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Then and Now in Newell

"Looking Forward to our Past" by Linda Velder

February 16, 1911

If you wish to buy or sell seed grain, corn or alfalfa come to Newell Market Day and make the deal and save commission. Also bring in that milk cow on Market Day you have for sale, there are a dozen men ready to bid on her.

Sunday patrons of the Post Office had to wind their way to the Townsite and found the mail in the rear of the N.M. Bratton's new store building which has a very fine appearance. Mr. Bratton's stock for gents' furnishings, shoe, groceries and confectionary has also been moved in. It stands between the First State Bank and the Reclamation State Bank.

S.C. Berry, Mrs. H.W. Evans, Luther Hill and J.L. Williams of Empire, were in town soliciting help to assist in building a church 6 miles east and a mile south of Vale, to be called the Empire Friends Church, a union church, but under the auspices of the Friends Society. The building is to be 36'x40' with 20' posts. They raised at Newell \$115. The people of Empire at the first financial committee meeting raised \$300.

February 10, 1921

All farmers who expect to bring their DeLaval Separators in DeLavel Day to Bratton's Mercantile Co. to be repaired free of charge, must bring the entire machine if they expect to have any service rendered. Don't forget the date, February

Friends of Hiram Rowe in this area will be pained to learn of his death at Lacrosse, where the big mail ship of which he was pilot was wrecked on the return trip from Omaha to Chicago. Rowe was one of the first pilots to fly a machine locally, over 2 years ago with Lieut Stephenson. He was the pilot

who brought the local company's plane up from Lincoln and remained here until taking the pilot position with the US aerial mail service.

Last winter when fuel was for a time not to be had here. the Town Board and Commercial Club met to solve the problem of how to get some fuel quick. C.M. Damon volunteered to finance the job and did. Pate, Anderson and Joshua Ramsey were sent on expeditions to haul wood. Shortly the coal strike was off and several car loads of coal came also. So now the problem of the large Damon wood pile. The expenses of handling and losses of wood itself, together with the very high original cost is more than he can get out of it. He has started a "Buy a Load of Wood" movement, so as to move the huge unsightly stack as soon as possible.

February 5, 1931

The 2-story school building of the Horse Creek Consolidated School District, 5 miles west of Newell, burned to the ground in a disastrous fire Tuesday during the noon hour. The fire was first discovered by the children on the first floor shortly before noon when smoke was noticed coming through cracks in the floor. The Newell Volunteer Fire Department responded to the call for help and most of the equipment on the first floor, desks, books, etc was saved. The flames originated in a corner of the basement where old shingles had been stored. Insurance in the amount of \$5,100

was carried on the building. The Mid-West Hatchery at Nisland is going to equip its plant with a 10,000-egg incubator in the near future, according to Devereaux & Scott, who this week completed installation of a Westinghouse electric light

Grand River Roundup

BETTY OLSON news@bellefourchebeacon.com

It sure feels like winter. The

highest temperature we had was 35 degrees on Thursday and the lowest we had was 3 degrees Wednesday morning.

Taz went up to help Sage in Hettinger on Monday and Amanda took the little people up to Grandma Louise Jenson to babysit that afternoon. Taz stopped at Louise's to pick up the kids on his way home and visited with Jace and Kami and RonE and Starla Jenson. Copper had a "seep over" with Grandma Louise that night, but Knox and River came home with Taz.

Reub had his physical therapy with Jacy Buffington in Buffalo Tuesday morning. We came home before lunch so we would be here when Louise brought Copper home and came up to check on how Reub was doing after his hip replacement. We had coffee and a good visit. My cousin Joe and Karen Wilkinson stopped to see us on their way home from Hettinger while Louise was still here and visited with all of us. It was a fun day.

There are a couple new births to report. Luke and Erin Stadheim had a baby boy on Tuesday, January 19. Wyatt Duke Stadheim weighed 6lbs 15oz and is 19 1/4 inches long. He joins two older sisters, Cora and Liza.

There is a new Olson in Harding County! Sam and Caitlyn Olson had a baby boy on Tuesday, January 26. Bray Kenneth Olson weighed in at 6lbs 12oz

and is 19.5 inches long. Tim and Laurie Olson are his grandparents and we can't wait to meet the new little relative.

There was a little snow on the ground when Taz left to go help Sage in Hettinger Wednesday

morning. Dennis Nash and Tony Holt called to visit with Reub to see how things were going and he had a good time visiting with them. Grandma Missy kept the little people that evening while

Amanda went to Buffalo to play volleyball.

There was heavy frost on the trees when we got up Thursday morning, but hardly any wind and it felt good to be outside. Taz was helping Sage again and Amanda and the kids went outside to play. I went out to join them and Copper and Know had a lot of fun knocking frost off the trees to let it fall on them like snow. Little River Lu even enjoyed getting some frost dumped on her. Casey went to Buffalo for wrestling practice that afternoon and spent the night to take the Harding County wrestlers to Belle Fourche for the tournament early Friday morning. It's usually a two day tournament, but with the pandemic it was limited to just one day.

While Casey was with the wrestlers in Belle Fourche, Taz spent the day setting up panels to sort the heifers on Saturday and fix the calving pens. Saturday morning they sorted off the heifers that they are taking to the Faith sale barn on Monday.

The South Dakota legislature is in session and I'm interested in

what's going on down in Pierre. In church Sunday morning, Rep. Sam Marty brought me a big coffee cup that my friend Rep. Arch Beal sent me from Pierre. Arch and I are big coffee drinkers and he thought I should have this one. Former Rep. Issac Latterell called me on Saturday to tell me that he and Rep. Sam Marty are working on a bill that will allow only beef born and raised in this country to be sold in our grocery stores. When he sends me a copy of the bill I'll share it with you because I'm sick of having beef from other countries sold as American beef.

Little River Lu was baptized this Sunday with Brad and Amy Johnson as her God Parents. Taz and Amanda had a lot of family and friends at their house for dinner after church.

The Holland Center church hosted the Hymn Sing Sunday evening with a good crowd and a lot of good music.

In the two weeks Pres. Biden has been in office he's signed 40 executive orders trying to do away with everything Pres. Trump had accomplished when he was in office. So far almost 60,000 people have lost their jobs when Biden stopped drilling on federal lands, canceled the Keystone pipeline and stopped the building of the border wall. He put us back into the Paris Climate Accord, offered citizenship to 12 million illegal aliens, allows boys that think they're girls to participate in girl's sports and use girl's bathrooms, agreed to pay for abortions in foreign countries and that's only a few of what he's signed that will cost our nation billions of dollars.

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Then 'n' Now in Newell

plant to furnish the electrical power.

George Armstrong has finished the sheep wagon for Henry Jacobsen, who had it made according to his own pattern. Several people have viewed the wagon and have expressed their desire to have one like it. Carson Schroeder is now having Mr. Armstrong build him one of these wagons and Mr. Armstrong is expected to get several more orders.

February 6, 1931

Ten young friends gathered at the Taft home Tuesday evening to put on a surprise farewell for William Taft and Lawrence Syverts, who are to leave the following day. Cards were enjoyed and a nice lunch served at the close of the evening. Taft and Syverts left for Brookings, from where they will leave soon for a year's duty with the SD National Guard Unit which is moving to Louisiana.

Miss Mary Anderson, Newell and Miss Roseanna Giannonatti, Ludlow, were among 13 freshmen student nurses at St. John's Hospital who were given caps and capes at capping and candle lighting exercises in St. John's Chapel in Rapid City Sunday evening.

Still anticipating snow due this winter and anxious to try out a method used by some North Dakota mail carriers is Louis Schell, Newell Rural Route mail carrier, who has equipped a truck for tough traveling with large airplane tires. At present he has truck tires on the front and airplane tires on the rear, although he can easily install airplane tires on the front. The airplane tires carry from 5 to 10 pounds air

from the Newell Museum



This is a photo of the first Market Day in Newell in 1911. Seed grain, livestock and other goods were sold at market.

pressure and are said to be broad enough to hold vehicles on top of deep snow.

February 15, 1951

We wonder if the state highway commission plans to keep a grading, rolling and packing operation going on SD Highway 79 south of Newell the year around. It will be necessary, if the highway is to be kept in anything like a safe and decent condition, yet it will cost more than the bituminous surfacing which so many residents of this territory requested last fall when the commission decided to re-gravel this important highway.

Mr. & Mrs. Phil Sheridan of Hoover visited Friday evening at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Kirk Malcolm. By chance Kirk talked to his brother, Jack Malcolm via short-wave radio. Jack contacted an operator in Denver, Colorado who in tern called Kirk. The Jack Malcolm family live in Potrerillos, Chili, South America.

Residents of this territory held no envy for winter vacationers in California and Florida Saturday. Newell was among one of warmest spots in US. The temperature, highest for the unusually mild winter to date, rose to 73 degrees above, according to A. Osenburg at the U S Experiment Farm and was still in the 50's during the evening. The coldest temperature yet recorded this winter, was -24 on January 28 which followed a 2-day periods of 8 and 11 below. The weather station was put into operation in 1909.

February 2, 1961

Construction of the "Minuteman" Missile wing in western South Dakota cannot be commenced for 9 or 10 months, since the project has neither Congressional authorization nor the appropriation. A number of towns and communities in the area have been asking for information because of their interest in housing the workmen employed in the construction of the 150 underground silos scattered throughout the area from Rapid City to Midland, north to the southern part of Perkins and Harding Counties and west to the Wyoming line.

A new 5'x8' American flag has been presented to the Newell School for use in Austin Auditorium, by the Newell Lions Club. Armine Kuhlman made



Shown here is the Horse Creek School. (NOTE: Another version of the fire at the Horse Creek School is: Boys were smoking under the front steps during recess and the tumble weeds caught fire. Because the weeds and grass was so dry, the building burned quickly.)



PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "It all depends on how we look at things, and not on how they are themselves." - Carl Jung

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This Great Blue Heron was captured with a nest full of chicks in far eastern Wyoming. Story on A1 - Photo by Aileen Brunner

From C3 THEN AND NOW

the presentation to Supt. Ken Hauge on behalf of the club. The collection of eye glasses and frames for the needy project was revealed. Containers have been placed in businesses and all person having glasses or frames which they no longer need are invited to donate same.

Mrs. R.D. (Cynthia) Johansen began work Monday as new pharmacist at the Price & Son Drug Store in Newell, succeeding August Worth, who had resigned because of ill health. Mrs. Johansen is a graduate in pharmacy from SD State College at Brookings and moved here last fall with her husband, a veterinarian from Yankton.

Newell Wrestling

Irrigators Place Well at Lemmon/ McIntosch Event

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LEMMON – The four Newell grapplers that headed to the Lemmon/McIntosh Round Robin on January 26, and all four placed well.

The annual meet saw Charlie Clements placing 4th and scored four team points. He wrestles at 106 pounds. In his first round he lost by fall to Roy Antrim of Faith in 1:36. He lost by fall in the second round to Cash Schiley of Lemmon/McIntosh in 2:40. In his final round he went up against Brayden Mount of Rapid City Central and lost by fall in 55 seconds.

Blaise McGregor, who wrestles at 113 pounds, also placed fourth and scored four team points. McGregor lost to Cade Costello of Harding County by fall in 1:23. He took on Jakob

Long of Faith in round two and also lost that match by fall in

Tripp Schrempp of Cheyenne-Eagle Butte/Dupree beat McGregor by fall in 1:59. McGregor ended with a fourthplace finish.

Chase VanDerBoom placed first in the tourney at 138 pounds. He scored 7 team points. He took on Wiley Harrison of Cheyenne-Eagle Butte/ Dupree and pinned his opponent in 4:55. In the championship round he wrestled Remmington Ford of Mobridge-Pollock and won by decision 10-6.

Caleb McGregor wrestles at 195 pounds. In first round action he won by fall over Cole Wellner of Mobridge-Pollock in 1:04. In his final match he won by fall over Cole Wellner, who he wrestled for a second time and won by fall in 1:14.



Kassidy Weeldreyer, Jaelyn Wendt, and Kayden Steele were named to the Little Moreau Conference All-Tournament team. - Courtesy photo

Newell Girls Basketball —

Lady Irrigators Take Home the Title

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NEWELL/FAITH - The Newell girls' basketball team had a very good Little Moreau Conference basketball tournament, notching three victories in a row to bring home the championship trophy. The tournament was held, starting the first night in Newell, Lemmon and Faith. The second night, consolation games were played at Harding County and the winner's bracket headed to Faith. The final round had games for fifth/sixth and seventh/eighth played at Buffalo with the games for first/second and third/ fourth played in Faith.

Newell started off with a huge win on the opening night in front of the hometown crowd in Austin Auditorium on Thursday, January 21. They took on the McIntosh Tigers and walked away with a 57-46 win.

Newell outscored the Tigers 15-10 in the first period. Jaelyn Wendt was hot in the quarter, scoring four field goals. Kayden Steele added one from the free throw line, after a foul on her successful field goal, and Taylor Gaer added another field goal. Lexa Burtzlaff, who was back in her second game after suffering an ankle injury put in both shots at the charity stripe.

The Irrigators spread the scoring out in the second period with seven girls putting points on the board. Kassidy Weeldreyer got moving in the game with three field goals, while Steele showed the crowd how it was done from the arc, netting two there and adding a field goal. Rachel Erk followed Steele's example, scoring a trey and a field goal for her contribution, while single field goals came from Burtzlaff, Wendt, Sydney Kjellson and Gaer for Newell's 27 points. The half time score was 42-24.

The Irrigators relaxed a bit in the third period, giving the home crowd a little anxiety as they put just six points in to their opponents 14. These came on two from the paint by Kim Johnson, who saw her first points of the game. Another single field goal was tossed in

by Stacy Mahaffy as the second string spent some time in the game. The score at the end of three periods stood at 48-38, with the Tigers trailing by 10.

Newell maintained just enough pressure to outscore McIntosh, 9-8 in the final period. Erk hit again from the arc and Johnson nailed three field goals for the Irrigator points. That gave the Newell girls a trip the following night to Faith to play the Lemmon Cowgirls.

Q: N-15, 42, 48, 57. McI-3, 8, 14, 19. Burtzlaff 1/0/2-2/4, Erk 1/2/0-0/8, Wendt 5/0/0-1/10, Mahaffy 1/0/0-0/2, Weeldreyer 3/0/0-4/6, Johnson 5/0/0-0/10, Kjellson 1/0/0-0/2, Gaer 2/0/0-

Steele 2/2/1-2/11.

In the second night of action. Newell roped in the Cowgirls and handed them a loss. Friday, January 22, brought the Irrigators a bit closer to a Little Moreau Conference title. Newell started the game by spreading points out among five different players, giving the Cowgirls notice that they had to guard ALL the Irrigator girls. A field goal each by Burtzlaff, Wendt, Weeldreyer, and Kjellson gave Newell eight points. That was added to by Gaer who went to the charity stripe for two of two, putting 10 points on the boards for the Irrigators. The score at the end of the first quarter was 10-6.

The girls started doubling their first quarter scoring, with Wendt, Kjellson and now Steele putting up double field goals. Erk added another for a total of 14 Irrigator points in the period, ending the half up 24-14 over Lemmon.

Steele and Gaer decided it was time for some points from the arc, with Steele nailing two and Gaer, one in the third period. Wendt and Burtzlaff added a field goal each and Weeldreyer went 50 percent at the free throw line, hitting one of two. The end of the third quarter saw the Newell ladies push their advantage to 38-25.

The girls backed off a bit in the final period, allowing Lemmon a one-point advantage, 9-8, but it was too little, too late for Lemmon as they fell to Newell,

46-34.

Q: N-10, 24, 38, 46. L-6, 14, 25, 34. Burtzlaff 3/0/0-0/6, Erk 1/0/0-0/2, Wendt 5/0/0-0/10, Weeldreyer 2/0/1-2/5, Kjellson 4/0/0-0/8, Gaer 0/1/2-2/5, Steele 2/2/0-2/10.

Finally, it was time to take on a tough Faith Longhorn team in the championship game for the conference title on Saturday, January 23 at Faith.

Newell started strong with treys from Gaer and Steele, as well as a field goal by Steele and one from Wendt. That gave Newell 10 points in the period to the Longhorn's seven.

The two teams remained even in the second quarter, with Faith notching just one more point that the Irrigators, 15-14. Newell's points came from three in the paint for Weeldreyer, with another two from Steele and one each from Burtzlaff and Wendt. Newell had the advantage by a small margin at the end of two periods, 24-22.

Faith fell apart in the third period, managing just two points on the board on a field goal by Aiyanna Bird. Meanwhile the Newell girls put up 13, with two by Wendt, one by Burtzlaff and a trey by Steele. Steele went to the line for a total of three for three. Newell was up 37-24 at the end of three, a lead of 13.

That's when things got hot for Faith. They made up for the third period, and then some, outscoring Newell 24-19 in the final period, and tying the game at 48 each. Newell's pints came on a field goal and a trey by Steele and six of six at the charity stripe for Weeldreyer. Those free throws were very important to keep the Irrigators in the game.

In the overtime period, Newell squeezed out a win and grabbed the championship trophy by just one point, outscoring Faith 9-8. Steele remained steady, tossing in two from arc, while Burtzlaff again proved the worth of free throws, hitting three of four at the line for a 57-56 final.

Q: N-10, 24, 37, 48, OT-57. F-7, 22, 24, 48, OT-56. Burtzlaff 2/0/3-8/7, Wendt 4/0/0-0/8, Weeldreyer 3/0/6-6/12, Gaer 0/1/0-0/3, Steele 4/5/4-4/27.





(Above left) Kayden Steele drops in a trey during the championship game against Faith, while her coach, Scott Wince, watches in amazement. (Above right) Lexa Burtzlaff drives down the court while being defended by a Lemmon Cowgirl in the semi-final round of the Little Moreau Conference. - Brunner photos





(Far left) In round one action at the Little Moreau Tournament, Kassidy Weeldreyer scored six points to help the Irrigators advance in the tourney.

(Left) Jaelyn Wendt scored 10 points against the Lemmon Cowgirls in the semi-final round of the Little Moreau Conference tournament. The Irrigators took home first place. The Newell varsity girls are 11-3 on the season. -Brunner photos





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