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More Information Given to Butte County Commission

Betty Bruner

news@bellefourchebeacon.com BELLE FOURCHE-Applause from both sides on the cannabis issue were heard following input from pros and cons at the regular Butte County Commission meeting December 20. The meeting was held in the courtroom to accommodate the larger crowd gathered for the evening meeting.

Dale Simanton began the discussion with several comments and questions about a screen shot he had seen on FB showing mature cannabis plants grown at a local greenhouse. The photos were dated December 3, 2022 and showed plants that were at least six feet tall. His dispute with the commissioners was

Commission A8

Enjoy the Lights of Christmas!



Beacon Photographer Hunter Anderson made a photo tour of Christmas lights from around town. This shot of 11th Avenue was one of his favorites. More Christmas splendor on page C2. *Hunter Anderson Photo*

Three Belle Police Officers Awarded Lifesaving Award

BELLE FOURCHE – Belle Fourche Police Officers Asher Pkula, Heath Harter and Detective Jason Huber were presented Lifesaving Awards on Monday, Jan. 19, by Belle Fourche Police Chief Ryan Cherveny before the City Council.

The award recognizes a single act during which an officer displayed extraordinary performance in his or her duties to save the life of a person who would likely have died if not for the actions of that officer. On Dec. 2 officers responded to the report of a citizen's medical alarm. Upon arrival at the scene, the citizen was complaining of chest pains. While officers were talking with the citizen, the citizen became unresponsive, according to Cherveny.

According to the incident report, the three officers immediately began performing lifesaving measures and brought the patient back. They continued to perform these measures until the ambulance crew arrived and was able to take over.

Cherveny told the Council that the patient is doing well today, thanks to the fast response and lifesaving measures performed by the three officers.

Those in the council chambers gave the officers a standing ovation and Mayor Randy Schmidt thanked the officers for their service.



Belle Writers 2022 Accolades



Jean Helmer, a regular contributor of the Beacon shown with a book of SD Poems. *English Photo*

Meg English

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Belle Fourche Writers are achievers. Many members participate in regional and national literary organizations and many members have published stories, poems, essays, and even a novel or two.

This year accolades go to Lynda Edwards and Margie Bolte. Both Lynda and Margie submitted work to the 2022 South Dakota State Fair Literature competition. Both writers placed well. Lynda earned three first place blue ribbons, as did Margie. Margie writes essays and short stories while Lynda composes poetry in addition to short stories and essays. Altogether, Lynda and Margie submitted six pieces each, all of which earned ribbons. Holly Mosely has a poem published in the fall issue of Pasque Petals titled "Post-It Polka, or Cabin Fever Fun". She also has two poems coming out in the Scurfpea Publishing anthology, The Lightning Moment, for 2022, "Trussed" and "Reasons to Walk the Dog. The spring Pasque Petals contained "A Wing and a Prayer" and "Scentsible." Holly is an active participant in the South Dakota State Poetry Society. Pasque Petals is a poetry collection published quarterly by the South Dakota State Poetry Society. Kathy Bjornstad has published her first book through Painted Glass Publishing. The book is titled Rhymes from the Reef. The book was inspired by a visit to the U.S. Virgin Islands and the underwater photographs taken by her friend Heidi Stefanich. "I started waking up

in the middle of the night to jot down rhymes about the sea creatures I had seen and she had photographed." Kathy explained. Heidi found a publisher and soon the prose and photographs came together. Kathy and Heidi are even planning a sequel, Poems for Pollinators. Bruce Roseland was a presenter at the South Dakota Festival of Books in Brookings in September 2022. Bruce is the author of several volumes of poetry. His most recent poetry collection is Heart of the Prairie published in 2021. Bruce serves as South Dakota State Poetry Society president and as a South Dakota Humanities Council scholar. Jean Helmer is a regular contributor to the Beacon pastor's column. Her poems appear frequently in Pasque Petals. Jean was also on the editing team for the Bear Lodge Writers anthology in 2022. Currently she is working with the Louine Schaufler Youth Poetry Contest. Her most recent poems are "Diving into Grief" and "In the Stillness." The Belle Fourche Writers will read publically at the Author Talks Series at the Matthews Opera House on March 7th and April 25th at noon.

Police Chief Ryan Cherveny (far left) presented Lifesaving Awards to Officers **Asher Pikula** (center) and **Heath Harter** (far right) and acknowledged Detective **Jason Huber** who was unable to be in attendance. - *Beacon Photo*

City Bridges Undergo Inspection

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BELLE FOURCHE – Six bridges within the city have undergone their biannual inspections and the findings show each one is structurally sound. The inspections were completed by Bowman, N.D., based Brosz Engineering and show no major concerns but a few recommendations were made to extend the life of each structure.

Doug Wessel, Brosz Engineering Vice President, presented an executive summary of inspection results before the city council at their regular meeting on Dec. 19. "I'll start off with the good news. Our inspections did not result in any findings that need immediate repairs," Wessel told the Council. "Overall all your structures are in good condition."

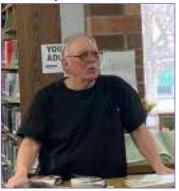
Wessel said the report did contain a few recommendations that would help extend the life of each structure, although some of the recommendations were purely cosmetic in nature.

The report covered the following structures: Roundup Street bridge over the Belle Fourche River; the box culvert structure over Hay Creek on National Street; The 8th Avenue bridge over the Belle Fourche River; the 8th Avenue bridge over Hay Creek; the 10th Street culvert over Hay Creek and the bridge over the Redwater River on the Business 212 bypass.

The Roundup Street bridge along with the 8th Avenue bridge and the Hwy 212 bypass bridge received SD state Bridge Improvement Grants (BIG) and recently underwent renovations.

The Roundup Street bridge had repair work done on the railings, reinforcement of steel and repair of a timber pile in a wing wall. There were a few recommendations made to the city for maintenance on the structure which included shoring up a moderate amount of erosion along the riverbank below the bridge. Wessel says the erosion in no way affects the structural integrity of the bridge. However, he told the council, should we get a flood, the area could become worse and it may be wise to look at placing rip-rap in the affected areas.

In addition Wessel recommended the city look at the bridge's object markers, since one is missing on the northwest corner. "But the speed limit here is 15 miles per hour so according to the signage guidelines a marker is not required," **Bridges** A8



Bruce Roseland



Heidi Stefanich (L) & Kathy Bjornstad, writers, at the Belle Fourche Public Library. *English Photo*



The 8th Avenue Bridge over the Belle Fourche River was built in 1994. *Beacon Photo*

Belle Fourche Beacon **Obituaries** Wed. December 28, 2022 A-2 R MLS 宜 **Renee Bisgaand** Jane Saunders Broker Associate Braker / Owner, CRS, GRI Happy 501-317-1354 605-641-9242 Renee@blackhillsnow.com New Year innesaunders.realestate@gmail.com Call the Black Hills Team for all your Real Estate Needs! Free 2023 market analysis on your property! We're The One's for you! **Area Church Schedules** Sunday Mass: 9:00 a.m. ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL **NEW COVENANT PCA** 6th and Roundup \cdot 892-2446 Daily Mass: Wed. & Thurs. 1120 North Fifth Street, Spearfish The Rev. Evelyn Weaver 12:15 p.m. 642-1122 - Luke Bluhm, Pastor 619 State Street Belle Fourche 605-892-4626 The Rev. Sandy Williams, Priests Confessions available one hour Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service before all Masses Deacon Rev. Mike Weaver **NEWELL CHRISTIAN** Sunday: 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist ST. JAMES LUTHERAN **FELLOWSHIP CHURCH** 1100 Stanley Street **CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER** 308 4th Street, Newell SD, 57760 Open for in-house worship 2020 Vista St · 892-4767 605-456-2544 Sunday Worship 10:AM Dan Carlson, Pastor Sunday Worship Service: 10:30am 0 Watch live-streamed services: Paul Howard, Pastor Sunday School: 9am www.sjlcbellefourche.org Sunday Schedule: Youth Group (Age 13-18): Long Term Care Service 8:45 a.m. SUMMIT OPEN BIBLE Wednesdays 6pm Sunday School: All ages 9:30 a.m. **FELLOWSHIP** Ø NORTHERN HILLS CHURCH OF Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m. Seventh and Summit **CHRIST** Morning Worship Service: 10:30 a.m. 892-4630 or 892-4389 5 miles south of Belle Fourche on CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF Pastor Rick and Diane Brennan Hwy 85 · 642-7167 Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship LATTER DAY SAINTS Calvin Chapman - Int. Minister Kidz Church Immediately Following 1105 Todd St. Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Class Wednesday: September - May John Allred, Bishop 10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study Sunday: 10 a.m. Sacrament Meeting Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Class We Care About You Kidz Alive (Kindergarten - 6th Grade) Sunday School: NORTH POINT CHRISTIAN 1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 a.m. **CHURCH TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH** We are a husband and wife team dedicated to helping Priesthood Meeting, Relief Society, 10959 Kellem Lane, Spearfish 1403 5th Ave, Belle Plaza Young Men and Young Women: people who are hurting. We are there to help you say Sunday Services: 9AM and 10:30AM (605) 723-1651 11 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays NISLAND INDEPENDENT goodbye, and for us, it is our life's calling. We care about Pastor McKillop (605) 840-0554 **Emmanuel Baptist COMMUNITY CHURCH** Sunday: 9am Sunday School you and we'd be honored to serve your family. 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Small Groups & Studies BRALD TOORNER, BOOTH BARD **CONNECTION CHURCH (SBC)** Mark Leverington, Lay Pastor schedule online at 613 Sixth ave., Belle Fourche **BLACK HILLS GOSPEL** LEVERINGTONFH.COM www.bellefourcheumc.com (605)-210-2150 ASSEMBLY VALE COMMUNITY COUNTRY Pastor Stephen Carson 1/2 Mile east on Hwy 34 · 210-1374 **CHURCH** Associate Pastor Chad McCord Kenny Riley, pastor 0 Pastor Darla Dunn Worship Pastor Ashton Rone Sunday: 1 p.m. 402 Rosander St. Vale SD 57788 Sunday Worship: 8:45 or 10:15 am Friday: 7:30 p.m. Service Sunday: 10 a.m. SALVATION ARMY OF THE FIRST BAPTIST 605-210-0512 NORTHERN HILLS 807 8th Ave. 892-4178 🚯 SPEARFISH Adventist® CHURCH nument 120 Ryan Rd., Spearfish Pastor Tim Smith 290 W Highway 14 Sunday: Sunday School - 9:15am 605-642-0924 Pastor Darren Purdy and Envoys: Tim and Peggy North Morning Worship - 10:30am Sunday: 9:45 a.m. Pastor Marveen Gentillon uesday: 10:00am Ladies Bible Study Join Us This Saturday When someone you love becomes a (605) 892-4827 Sunday School: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Salt and Light Youth -Memory, the memory becomes a Treasure. 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Richard Gardner 71

Richard Gardner, age 71, of Belle Fourche, South Dakota passed away on Tuesday, November 22, 2022. He was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa to Stanley and Ann (Hough) Gardner September 30, 1951. Richard leaves behind to cherish his memory his wife, Linda (Roberts) Gardner; two children, son, Ross Gardner, daughter, Leanne (Gardner) Putnam; son-in-law, Chris Putnam; two grandchildren, Sam and Emma Putnam; sister, Betsy (Gardner) Shipley, Randy Shipley, and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Sunday: 10 a.m. worship service

Richard is preceded in death by his parents, Stanley Gardner and Ann (Hough) Gardner, and his Uncle Duane Gardner.

Richard graduated from Underwood, IA, High School in 1969 and went on to achieve a BS in History Political Science and Speech & Drama from Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell, SD, in 1973. In addition, he also earned his MS in Counseling from South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD, in 2005.

Richard enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting, and mak-



ing Diamond Eye Willow walking sticks. He was a member of the Hartford, SD Masonic Lodge and El Riad Shrine of Sioux Falls, SD.

Richard was a good listener as a School Counselor and Vocational Rehab Counselor. Rich loved his various jobs and worked well with his co-workers and supervisors. He was kind and generous with others, but frugal to a fault when it came to himself.

Rich had undying love, encouragement and support for his children. He was steadfast in his convictions in topics ranging from food preferences to politics.

Rich will be remembered as a great man who provided successfully for his family while enjoying life to its fullest. After retiring, his dream of settling to the Black Hills became a reality. He loved cruising, exploring, and looking for diamond willow sticks to make into walking sticks, which he donated to the Orthopedic Rehab Center in Sioux Falls, SD.

Per Richard's request, there will be no funeral service.

Ronald Ericsson 87

Ronald Ericsson, age 87 of Alzada MT, died Thursday, December 22, 2022 at his home following a cardiac event. Funeral arrangements are pending with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche.

Ronald is survived by his daughter, Julie (Gary) An-

derson of Sheridan WY; son, Scott Ericsson (Patricia) of Texas; 3 grandchildren, Marie, Spencer and William; 2 great grandchildren; brothers, Lee Ericsson of WY, Roland Ericsson of Henderson NV; and sister, Beverly Ericsson of WY.

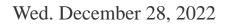
Proverbs 23:18 There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off."

Jeremíah 17:7

But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him."

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Local





5K Walk/Run Sunday January 8th 1:30PM Hermann Park Preregister at the BF Rec or at Bowman Hall on event day Kids \$5 ~ Adults \$10 (Add \$15 for long sleeve event shirt) Registration form available at the Rec or at www.bellefourcherec.com Contact Tessa for more info @ 605-892-2467 or tessa@bellefourche.org

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Free Treatment Day Tuesday, January 11th

Top: Austey Stiefvater, Aurora Voyles, Mya Bush, Ellie Schreder, Misty Drieling, Olivia Sutter. Bottom: Kaydence Lei, Riley Owen, Kora Knapp, Addilyn VanSickle. Not pictured Coach Jammie Raba. CourtesyPhoto

National Honor Society Gifting Project



Nicholas Lambert, Tori Brill and Theodore Long. Tori and Nic were project managers for this annual National Honor Society project. These three worked for hours organizing and wrapping these gifts. This picture only shows a potion of the gifts received. A bunch had already been delivered by the time this picture was taken. Courtesy Photo

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Tri-State Museum to Close for Annual Cleaning

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center will be closed from Tuesday, January 3 through Thursday, January 5 for annual cleaning.

It will reopen on Friday, January 6. Staff will be in the building during these three days and can be reached by calling 605-723-1200.

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche.

Millions of people live with pain or mobility issues that limit heir ability to move and live the way they want to. Sometimes aches and pains seem to come out of nowhere, and other times what seems like a simple injury results in lasting pain. Maybe you have been trying to address your issue already but are not getting the lasting results you want. If this is you, call 605-723-0185 today and reserve your spot for Pain & Movement Solutions' Free Treatment Day on Wednesday, January 11th.

Pain & Movement Soluions holds their bi-annual Free Treatment Day as a way for ndividuals to learn how physical herapy (PT) can help them with heir pain or movement problem. Unfortunately, most individuals think that you must be recovering from a major injury or surgery to come to physical therapy. This is a large misconception that is preventing people from getting he effective care they deserve and need," says clinic owner and Doctor of Physical Therapy, Julie Wingen.

Physical therapists are movenent specialists, and you can be valuated by one without a physician referral. Physical therapy is becoming the go-to profession of the medical world, and they are recognized as practitioner of choice for all musculoskeletal injuries. Want an MRI? Go to PT first. Surgery? Go to PT first. Why? – Because, more often than not, most musculoskeleal problems are solved with PT. More and more studies are coming out about the cost effectiveness of PT with outcomes that not only get you better in he short term, but also teach you how to make yourself better in

the future. Physical therapists have a very large skill set and can treat anything from vertigo to incontinence, concussion to cancer rehabilitation, and every joint pain. This skill set is derived from over 7 years of high-level training including dissection of cadavers, differential diagnosis classes, pharmacy courses and radiologic imaging courses resulting in a Doctorate degree specializing in movement

disorders. Wingen says, "This is one of my favorite days of the year! It is a lot of fun to help so many people realize the vast benefits of PT and get them started on the right track to feeling better." Free Treatment Day consists of a screening evaluation, followed by a treatment consisting of spinal thrust and joint mobilizations, soft tissue tools, kinesiotaping and guided home exercises that will empower you to take control of your health and recovery.

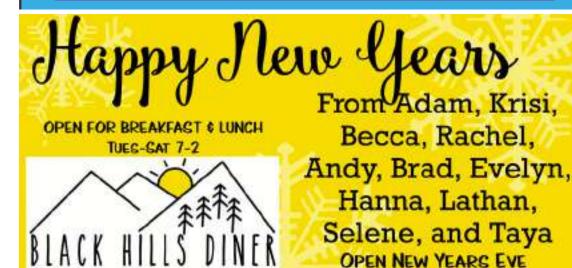
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or Cheeseburger Fruit/Veggie/Milk Wed, January 4th BRONC Breakfast: Egg & Cheese Biscuit Iuice/Fruit/Milk Lunch: Spaghetti or Bosco Sticks Fruit/Veggie/Milk Thurs, January 5th BRONC Breakfast: Muffin Top & Yogurt Juice/Fruit/Milk Lunch: Chili or Hot Dog Fruit/Veggie/Milk Fri, January 6th **BRONC Breakfast:** Cinnamon Roll Pancakes K-4* Juice/Fruit/Milk Lunch: Scalloped Potatoes & Ham or Popcorn Chicken Fruit/Veggie/Milk



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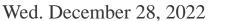
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Sports +



Broncs Boys Girls Basketball Best Wall

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The Belle Fourche Broncs Boys and Girls varsity basketball teams both secured victories over the Wall Eagles in tightly

contested games on Tuesday evening in Belle Fourche.

In the girls contest the Lady Broncs led at all quarter stops and held off a late Wall charge and hung on for a 53-48 win. Both teams started slow, but Belle held a 11-7 advantage after one and pushed the lead to 24-16 at intermission. The teams played even in the third stanza with each team netting 13 points, but a late rally by the Eagles fell 5 points short as the Lady Broncs garnered their second victory of the year.

The Lady Broncs had a well-balanced scoring attack with senior Dylan Stedille leading the way with 11. Grace Clooten and Chloe Crago each canned 10 points and Lily McCarty added 8. Belle won the rebounding battle 28-22 but only got to the free throw line four times during the game making 2. Nora Dinger had 14 for game high scoring honors and Paige Kjerstad dropped in 13 for Wall who shot 11/14 from the charity stripe. "Our girls worked hard rebounding and we had good hustle on defense, but we have a lot to work on," said Broncs head coach Bill Burr. "We weren't very patient on offense and rushed a lot of shots. We had 18 turnovers, so we must take better care of the ball," he added.

Belle now 2-0 on the season will face St. Thomas More in Belle Fourche on January 2nd for a big Black Hills Conference showdown. Wall falls to 3-3 on the season. Belle won the JV game with a 55-27 win. Reese Larson poured in 16 points to lead Belle, with Lily Nore adding 12 and Sloan Young 8.

The Broncs Boys also led at each quarter break coming away with a 49-47 win over the Eagles. Bronc sophomore guard Jet Jensen hit all his three shots behind the arc in the first quarter as Belle took an 11-7 lead and extended the lead to 21-13 at halftime. Wall clamped down on the defensive end and started to hit some shots closing the deficit to 34-30 after three periods but Belle hung on in the final stanza to get their first win of the year.

Jensen paced the Broncs with a game high 17 points. Senior guard Anthony Budmayr netted 12 and Nolan Wahlfeldt and Tatin Yackley dropped in 9 and 8 respectively. The Broncs hit 9-13 at the free stripe for 69% while Wall was 7-13 for 54%. Jace Mohr, Brodi Sundall, and Cedar Amiotte each had 13 for the Eagles. In the JV contest Belle came out on top 53-37. Carter McKenna banged in 19 points, Rance Bowden 11 and Issac Voyles 9 to lead the Broncs.

Broncs head coach Clay Pottorff, who couldn't be at the game due to health issues with his father still watched the game and commented: "Great job by Kyle Webb stepping up and taking the reins. I thought Yackley and Staley (Anthony) controlled the glass for most of the game. Jet got us going in that first quarter, and Wahlfeldt played great around the rim. Budmayr knocked down some big shots down the stretch including that big three with under a minute to go." Our prayers go out to you and your family Coach. The Broncs also face St.

Thomas More on January 2nd.



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Happy Holidays Wishing you and your family love, peace, and joy

Youth Basketball Holiday Camp

WHERE: Belle Fourche High School WHEN: December 31 from 5-8 PM WHO: 3rd-8th grade girls and boys!



WHAT: We will go through ball handling, shooting and some other fundamentals. We will run some drills and play team games! There will be pizza, cookies, and fun!

COST: \$30 for one sibling, \$50 for two siblings, and \$60 for three siblings. Register night of camp

This camp will be put on by the high school girls' basketball team and coaches. All proceeds will go to the girls' basketball program.

Any questions please call Bill Burr # 605-641-2262 Angie Garza-Hunsley #605-210-1486 Kyle Ryan # 605-645-237



Mataya Ward #13, attempts to get the tipoff; **Grace Clooten** #41 prepares to rebound the ball. *Jamie Hockenbary Photos*



Lily McCarty #3) drives the ball down the court. Jamie Hockenbary Photo



Nolan Walhfeldt #5) shoots for 2 points. *Jamie Hockenbary Photo*

Tatin Yackley prepares to rebound. Hockenbary Photo



Jet Jensen passes the ball in. Hockenbary Photo

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If you are wanting to make smart financial decisions, save money, and eliminate debt. You're in luck.. The Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce is hosting a FREE two day personal finance class. Please join Shannon from Black Hills Community Loan Fund on January 6th and 7th from 9am to noon at the Economic Development Center conference room located at 608 5th Avenue. We ask that you register in advance so we have enough materials for everyone.

Contact the Chamber of Commerce office at 605 892-2676 or email assistant@Bellefourchechamber.org

Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center kicks off 2023 brunches with "Homestake Opera House"

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center will begin its

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slate of 2023 First Saturday Brunches on Saturday, January



The brunch features a presentation by Christine Allen, entitled "the Homestake Opera House: The Jewel of the Black Hills," which details the history of the opera house and its future plans.

The brunch is at 10 a.m. and is \$5 per person or free with membership.

The presentation at 10:30 a.m. is free to all. Reservations whether for the brunch or just for the presentation are required; please call 605-723-1200.

Rack cards with information about the 2023 First Saturday Brunches will be available to those who attend January 7 but are also available to anyone who stops in at the Museum and Visitor Center or to anyone who calls requesting one at 605-723-1200.

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche. Alan Kindsfater Broker Associate

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Wed. December 28, 2022

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those currently living in the area are encouraged to attend. This is the perfect time of the year to notify your friends and family about the reunion. More information with the details will be forthcoming.

has ever lived in the Fruitdale and the area and

Town photos and history information would be really appreciated. Please contact

Ed Shimp: 2110 Meadow Lane, Spearfish, SD 57783 (605) 641-8585 or

Sylvia (Shimp) Summers: 10822 W. Venturi Dr. Sun City, AZ 85351 (512) 517-7303 or email slysums@gmail.com

Anything Left in the Barrel?



Not every memory of snowstorms are necessarily fond. * *

Early in life we spent

approximately 15 years working in a 15,000 head feedlot south of Platte, SD.

Used to joking say we got a 1/2day off on Christmas whether we wanted it or not. Always thankful it wasn't a dairy or the half day off wouldn't have happened.

Below zero weather, like these past couple weeks meant starting the work day chopping the ice in the 8' redwood stock tanks in the 25+ pens.

Usually 300-400 head of cattle in a pen and two tanks each. Overnight they would accumulate about 5-6" of ice that needed to be chopped with an ax and then pitched out to allow the cattle access to the water. The cattle drinking would keep the tank open for the remainder of the day. (no tank heaters in those days)

Several times in the course of the winter the copper float in the tank would be damaged during the process of chopping and removing the ice from the tank. This required stripping down to the waist; pulling the heated pickup alongside the tank to break the By: Doug Cole wind; bending over into the tank water and repairing the float.

It was warm Artesian well water, so as long as you were in the water it was warm, but the in and out was a mildly refreshing process.

Once the tanks were de-iced you could look forward to several hours of scooping the blowing and drifting snow from the all the fence line feed bunks.

* * * * I had thought when I moved west river I had left that weather behind!

The following picture of an overpass at Kadoka is a sight I had never witnessed with that much snow in traversing I90 from the 1970's to date.

Happy New Year! We are one day closer to Spring!



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Holiday





Mallory Eck took this picture this past week of light pillars over Belle Fourche from Hat ranch. Light pillars are optical atmospheric phenomena where pillars of light appear to beam from the ground into the sky. The ideal conditions for this to occur are on a frigid winter night (often sub zero temps) with high humidity and no wind. Courtesy Photo



The piano students of Lucy Cole held their Christmas Recital at December 19, 2022, at St James Lutheran Church. Pictured: Tobias Madil - Away in a Manger; Sadie Jackson - Deck the Halls; Aubyn Hartman - Jolly Old St Nicholas; Thomas Madill - Silent Night; Blake Willert - March of the Three Kings; Hope Willert - Jingle Bells; Taygen Hughes - Go Tell It on the Mountain; Brux Hartman - Angels We Have Heard on High; Isabela Toberson - The First Noel; Ellie Kukuchka - Joy to the World; Tace Hartman - Jingle Bell Rock; Sonja Cropper -Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree; Taylor Reinecke - Russian Dance from the Nutcracker; Jessica Baldwin - What Child Is This; Logan Willert - Hark the Herald Angels Sing; Veronica Moore - We Wish You a Merry Christmas; Evelyn Toberson - God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen; Alanah Pomrenke O Holy Night; Killian Mechaley (not pictured). Beacon Photo

From A1 **Bridges** Wessel said. "But for consistency we should either replace the marker at the northwest corner or take down the other two." He said it would be up to the city to decide.

The National Street bridge

The 8th Avenue bridge over Hay Creek had some concrete spalls with rebar exposed and it was recommended in the report that epoxy grout should be applied to prevent water infiltration. There was also a

made.

high water flows.

The largest structure on the list is the Hwy 212 bypass bridge over the Redwater River built in 1995. Like the 8th Avenue bridge over the Belle Fourche River, it received a BIG Grant in 2021 for epoxy overlay on top of the slab. The report recommended removal of small trees on upstream side of bridge to facilitate better stream flow during high water. "The problem is small trees turn into big trees and it's a lot easier to take care of them when they are smaller," Wessel said. In summary Wessel said none of the bridges had structural issues, only a few minor maintenance recommendations that if taken care of now would prevent problems later.



From A1 Commission

that since the Center of the Nation greenhouse had been approved October 4, 2022, he was curious that the plants would be that tall.

Originally, Center of the Nation was approved by the county in October 2021, received approval by the State in May of 2022, and received final Permit to Operate by the county in October 2022. A motion for a Permit to Operate in September failed to pass.

According to Greenleaf.com website, cannabis plants can grow very quickly, but there has been no follow-up to the management of the greenhouse to verify the growing timetable of their plants.

Katie Hoffman presented some research that she had done on the conduct of the commissioners. According to her research, the commissioners had violated Open Meeting Laws by not allowing audio and video recording of the meetings. She also said that there was misuse and mismanagement of funds by the commissioners.

Hoffman was also concerned about the public comments that were "shut down" at the last meeting by the commissioners and that they should have answered her questions openly. However, the Opportunity for

He told the commissioners, "If you want to really know what people think," these meetings are effective.

The lead cultivator and project manager of Rushmore Cannabis Care presented the commissioners with a syllabus with information he had gathered about the cannabis greenhouse business. Rushmore Cannabis Care received the Permit to Operate in April 2022. Brandon Manger grows organic cannabis. According to Manger they use only organic nutrients, including all insecticides and fungicides.

He exhibited information that the greenhouse would use approximately 6,000 gallons of water per month or about 93,000 gallons per year. This comes under the water usage of 100 head cattle, for example. He based his findings on information gathered from Tyler Swan at Butte County NRCS and Tristan Clements at Belle Fourche Irrigation District. "These are source-backed facts," he said. "We grow a safe alternative medicine."

Following the public comment, the commissioners voted to approve a new application for retail (on-off sale) malt beverage and SD Farm Wine, retail (on-off sale) Wine and Cider, and Sunday Sales for Wagon Wheel Weddings LLC. Wagon Wheel Weddings is owned by

over Hay Creek, built in 2008, which includes a bike path culvert during low water flow, had only minor cosmetic recommendations which included applying epoxy grout to a small concrete spall on the bridge where rebar is exposed

The 8th Avenue bridge over the Belle Fourche River was built in 1994 and was repaired using a BIG grant issued in 2021. At that time an epoxy overlay of the bridge deck was completed and there were no maintenance recommendations

3/8 inch pavement crack on the northwest part of bridge should be sealed.

The oldest structure on the list is the 10th Avenue bridge over Hay Creek. It is made up of three corrugated steel pipes which were installed in 1961. An engineering grant, issued this year, is earmarked for minor repairs including repairing concrete infill cracks between the pipes. It was also noted that the city might consider clearing some brush from the culvert area which could snag debris during

Public Comment states "There will be no response by commissioners or other guests taken during this time.'

South Dakota Codified Law 1-25-11, Open Meeting Law, does state- "No public body may prevent a person from recording, through audio or video technology, an official meeting as long as the recording is reasonable, obvious, and not disruptive. This section does not apply to meetings closed to the public pursuant to specific law.'

Also, according to the County Commissioner handbook there is a paragraph that states- "The open meetings law does not define this term (Sovereign Power), but it generally means the power to levy taxes, impose penalties, make special assessments, create ordinances, abate nuisances, regulate the conduct of others, or perform other traditional government functions. The term may include the exercise of many other governmental functions. If an entity is unclear whether it is exercising "sovereign power" it should consult with legal counsel."

More evening meetings were suggested by Travis Ismay.

Greg Smeenk of Belle Fourche. Sheriff Fred Lamphere asked the commissioners to approve Deputy Jason March as Emergency Manager Administrative Assistant effective immediately. He said Deputy March had expressed interest in the position and would be an excellent candidate. March was approved. Lamphere also asked for a \$750 bonus for the remaining dispatchers. He said that they had been working hard and putting in long hours. He pointed out that dispatch was under budget for the year and the bonus was available.

Following discussion, the commissioners voted to pay the dispatchers a \$500 bonus.

Auditor Annie Capp informed the commissioners that she had met with the new Secretary of State Monae Johnson. Former Butte County Auditor Elaine Jensen has been named Director of Voting School at the state level.

The next county commission meeting will be held December 30, 2022 to finalize end of the year business.

The next regular county commission meeting will be January 3, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Black Hills Enery Offers Tips To Prepare For The Cold Weather

RAPID CITY, S.D. – Dec. 20. 2022 - The weather forecast this past week with its sub-zero temperatures across the Black Hills Energy service territory.

While we do not foresee any weather-related outages, Black Hills Energy provides the below tips to help customers be prepared, safe and to conserve energy.

"At Black Hills Energy our highest priority is proving safe, reliable service," says, Marc Eyre, Vice President of Energy Operations for South Dakota, "As a company, we promote a culture of preparedness and safety that extends to everything we do.

In that spirit, we offer efficiency tips and outage resources to help customers stay safe during extreme weather conditions and to be prepared in the case of outages.'

Conservation Tips Colder temperatures mean your home may work harder to stay warm and bright. However, it's still possible to conserve energy by following a few simple tips.

Check your thermostat -One important step is to set your thermostat slightly lower than normal. For example, 68 degrees is warm enough to pro-

tect your home's water pipes but cool enough to potentially make a difference on your bills. This is also a great time to break out sweaters and blankets to ensure you stay comfortable.

Lower your water heater setting - Lowering your temperature setting a few degrees can also save energy. Reducing your water heater temperature to under 120 degrees can save up to 10% on your water heating costs

Limit laundry and household chores - Limit running large appliances during extreme weather if you can, to cut down on energy use.

If you must do laundry or wash dishes, try to run complete loads, which saves hot water. You can also set your dishwasher to an air-dry setting or open the door when the cycle ends to let dishes air-dry naturally. Multitask when cooking - If you're going to be cooking multiple dishes or meals, bake as many as you can at once. Heating up the oven takes a lot of energy, so the fewer times you heat it up, the more energy you'll save.

Electricity Outage Tips Report any outages - First, see if your neighbors have lights. If they do, you could check for

blown fuses or a tripped circuit breaker in your home.

If you can't locate the problem, contact Black Hills Energy at 888-890-5554 or use the "Report an outage" feature at www. blackhillsenergy.com/outages. An interactive outage map can also be found on this page.

Leave a light on - Speed up the restoration process by switching your porch-light on. Black Hills Energy crews will use it to quickly confirm that your power is back on without having to stop and knock on your door.

Keep the fridge closed - Do not open your refrigerator or freezer more than is necessary. Most disconnected freezers will keep undisturbed food frozen up to 48 hours.

Don't use grills indoors -Do not use charcoal grills for indoor cooking or heat. Dangerous carbon monoxide fumes can build up and cause serious injury or death.

Portable Generator Usage - If you use a portable generator, follow the manufacturer's safety and operating guidelines. Operate the generator only in a well-ventilated area - never in inside your home or garage, also to avoid dangerous carbon monoxide buildup.

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Flashlights and batteries -Keep a stock of flashlights with fresh batteries in an accessible

place.

Find more information on winter weather tips, see www. blackhillsenergy.com/safety/ weather-information.

You can also follow Black Hills Energy on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for outage information and winter efficiency resources.



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51 Blk	Broken 1478 \$1,125.00
	Solid 1447 \$1,525.00
20 Rrbl	4-5 1048 \$1,550.00
13Blk	Hfr 991 \$1,685.00
41 Blk	Hfr 1093 \$1,925.00
16Blk	Hfr 1030 \$1,750.00
13Bld	Hfr 1108 \$1,750.00
6Red	4-5 1055 \$1,450.00
6Bbld	Hfr 1159 \$1,650.00
15Blk	Hfr 1083 \$1,675.00
6	Cow 1523 \$66.00
1Blk	Cwette 1535 \$71.00
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6Blk	Cow 1527 \$64.50
8Blk	Hfrt 1002 \$95.00
3Blk	Cow 1398 \$63.00
	Hfrt 1152 \$93.00
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	Cow 1235 \$67.00
	Cow 1342 \$65.00
2Bbld	Cow 1180 \$67.00
4Bbld	Cow 1367 \$64.00
	Hfrt 847 \$93.00
	Cwette 1060 \$90.00
	Cwette 945 \$74.00
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EB Ranch, Broadus MT	1Blk	Cow 1065 \$63.00
Giacometto, Tom, Broadus MT	6Red	Cwette 1156 \$90.00
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Heart H Partnership, LLC, Camp Crook SD	1Blk	Hfrt 1090 \$108.00
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Heart H Partnership, LLC, Camp Crook SD	9Bbld	Cow 1437 \$64.00
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McDonald Ranch Inc, Aladdin WY		
McDonald Ranch Inc, Aladdin WY	8Bbld	Cow 1533 \$65.00
Ollerich, Ty, Newell SD	39 Bbld	Hfrt 873 \$108.00
Ollerich, Ty, Newell SD	17Bbld	Hfrt 1081 \$96.00
Olson, Robert B, Alzada MT	2Blk	Cwette 1232 \$91.00
Olson, Robert B, Alzada MT	1Blk	Cwette 1110 \$84.00
Olson, Robert B, Alzada MT	2Blk	Cwette 1315 \$71.50
Redding, Clay, Forsyth MT	7Red	Hfrt 830 \$106.00
Redding, Clay, Forsyth MT	5Red	Cwette 1162 \$83.00
Redding, Clay, Forsyth MT		
Sletten, Nick, Recluse WY	2	Cwette 1507 \$71.50
Weyrich, Keith, Sturgis SD		
Weyrich, Keith, Sturgis SD	2Blk	Cow 1365 \$64.00
Weigh Up Bulls		
Arledge Livestock Co LLC, Robert Lee TX		
Arledge Livestock Co LLC, Robert Lee TX	1Blk	Bull 1855 \$93.00
Arledge Livestock Co LLC, Robert Lee TX	2Blk	Bull 1802 \$97.50
Dugan, Robert/Karen Rittberger, Buffalo Gap	SD 1 Blk	Bull 1810 \$100.00
EB Ranch, Broadus MT	1Blk	Bull 1990 \$95.00
Giacometto, Tom, Broadus MT	1Char	Bull 1780 \$94.50
Ginsbach, Todd, Newell SD		
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January 6th - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes January 13th – Bred Heifer & Bred Cow Special – Selling All Classes January 20th - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes January 27th – Bred Heifer & Bred Cow Special – Selling All Classes February 3rd – No Sale – Enjoy The Black Hills Stock Show February 10th – Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special – Selling All Classes February 17th – Bred Heifer & Bred Cow Special – Selling All Classes February 24th – Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special – Selling All Classes March 3rd - Bred Heifer & Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes March 10th – Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special – Selling All Classes March 17th - Bred Heifer & Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes March 24th – Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special – Selling All Classes March 31st – Bred Heifer & Bred Cow Special – Selling All Classes April 7th – Grass Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special – Selling All Classes

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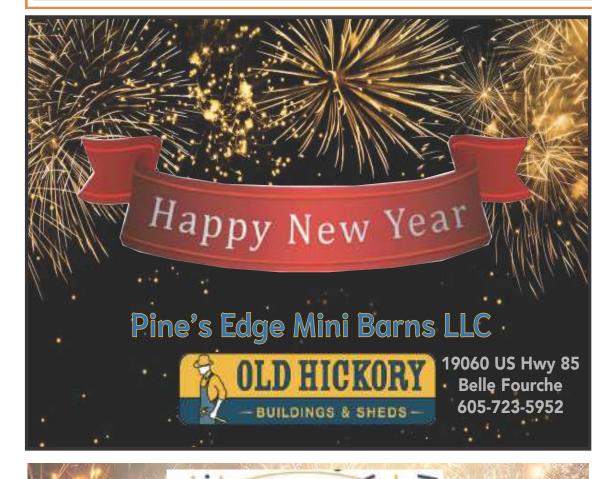
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Power Quad



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My mothers cousin, Jake Lake, used to do a weekly internet column...I loved it and continue to remind him how much it is missed. He had this one year right after Christmas. I've never forgotten it. Perhaps it will bring you some joy as well.



WISDOM FROM OUT WEST! The Opinions of Robert Dennis.

A self-employed, rancher, saddle maker, poet, picker and chopped liver. rdennis@gwtc.net

Mercurochrome Resolutions

How many remember Mercurochrome? Heck, it might not even be spelled right. But that's the closest I can come. It was made up of liquid fire, jalapeño juice, Devils misery and some other stuff that hurt for 100 years! I can't verify that, but trust me, that's what it felt like it was made of!

It came in a little glass jar and on the metal screw on lid was a tube that stuck down into the jar that was hollow and at the bottom end it was split into several ways. As applied by my Mom, you took out that little tube and gauged it as deep into a wound as a young boy had, that maybe was bleeding, but for sure was NOT going to get infected, get



little payback for pain inflicted on them by the victim at some past time.

You would hold on tight to what ever you could grab, stiffen your upper lip, swear to your self you weren't going to scream like a girl and prepare to take your medicine. Mom would pull that tube out and try her best to insert it into said nail hole or other wound, clear to the bottom and wiggle it around. And you, the victim, would be squirming and screaming, and assuring her that she had got plenty stuff in the wound. I would promise her and anyone else, including the Lord Almighty, I would never ever step on another nail for as long as I lived! But of course, accidents happen. Especially when your in a rush as a young man doing exploring and such. And I swear, the thought of having to go thru' all that again, kept me off from and away from anything that looked like it might have a nail in it, for a long, long time. Which, at that age, was probably a week anvwav. Now, when some people try to help you, it's kind of like that. They are trying and only want to help you and improve you, thru' their advice or admonishments. Advice. Critiquing. They honestly want to help! But some go about it like putting Mercurochrome on it. It sure might help. And it's probably good for you. But you sure don't want anything to do with it. Others go about it all sweetness and light. Kind, quiet, polite. But the thing is, I can't for the life of me remember one time, someone set me straight on a matter, where they were kind and sweet. Oh, I am sure it happened. I just can't remember it. But I do remember my Dad or some other older person who went at it like they were putting Mercurochrome in a hole in your foot. They kind'a twisted your ear, got ahold of you and gave you your medicine. And you darned sure remembered that lesson! I think too many today don't know the wonderful curing and healing effects of Mercurochrome, and getting advice like that and it shows! Don't step on any nails!!! And have a Happy New Year!



Christmas in Heaven by Jake Lake

Specifically for those who lost a loved one this last year

I see the countless Christmas trees around the world below;

With tiny lights like heaven's stars reflecting on the snow.

The sight is so spectacular, please wipe away that tear;

For I am spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.

I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear;

But the sounds of music can't compare with the Christmas choir up here.

I have no words to tell you of the joy their voices bring; For it is beyond description to hear the angels sing.

I know how much you miss me, I see the pain inside your heart; For I am spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year..

I can't tell you of the splendor or the peace here in this place; Can you just imagine Christmas with our Savior face to face?

I'll ask him to lift your spirit as I tell him of your love; So then pray for one another as you lift your eves above.

Please let your hearts be joyful and let your spirit sing; For I am spending Christmas in heaven and I'm walking with the King.

Feeling very blessed with my family and friends, I'm Jim Thompson

2023 Rodeo Rapid City Jan. 27 - Feb. 4 Schedule

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27TH

10:00 am CMSA Rodeo Rapid City Shoot Out (Free Admission)

12:00 pm Monument Health's Special Rodeo Event -

1:00 am Rodney Yost Horsemanship Clinic (Free Admission)

7:30 pm PRCA Xtreme Bronc Match

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28TH

10:00 am CMSA Rodeo Rapid City Shoot Out (Free Admission) 12:00 pm Monument Health's Special Rodeo Event - Ends at 3:00 PM - To participate or volunteer, click here. 1:00 am Rodney Yost Horsemanship Clinic (Free Admission) 7:30 pm PRCA Xtreme Bronc Match

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH

9:30-11:30 am High School Rodeo College Fair (Free Admission) 1:00 pm 20X High School Showcase Rodeo

MONDAY, JANUARY 30TH 10:00 am PRCA Steer Wrestling Slack (Free Adm)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31ST

10:00 am PRCA Tie Down Roping Slack (Free Admission)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST

10:00 am WPRA Barrel Racing Slack (Free Admission) 3:30-6:00 pm Girls in Spurs "Ladies Night"-Rodeo Zone

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND

10:00 am PRCA Team Roping Slack (Free Admission) 7:30 pm PRCA Rodeo

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD

10:00 am Bucking Horse & Bull Sale ~ Preview & Social Hour (Free Admission) 11:00 am Bucking Horse & Bull Sale (Free Admission) 7:30 pm PRCA Rodeo

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gangrene and die, after the use of that sickly red stuff! It was miraculous!

I seemed to have a penchant for steeping on boards with nails in them when I was young. Climbing over and around and through old piles of stuff that my ancestors had stacked up. And as tight fisted as my Grandfathers was, according to Dad, and as tight fisted as my Dad was, according to me, I am surprised the there were any old boards with nails sticking out of them, around. It's a wonder they weren't all pulled and put into an old metal bucket to rust away like the numerous ones cluttering up the out buildings! But by golly, there were. I remember one, where when I picked my foot up, the board was stuck to the bottom of my foot by the nail. I had to stomp on the bird with my other foot to get free. Believe me, when I saw Jesus on a crucifix, nailed, I knew somewhat of his suffering!

Afterwards, when I came limping to the house, my mother would always question me, and make me take my shoe or boot off and look at my wound. Didn't matter if you lied and told her you had just turned your ankle a little, she set you down, and checked for her self. It was like she didn't trust me or something! When she saw the hole, she would send a gleeful sibling off to get that little bottle and enlist their aid and maybe two or three strong men if they happened to be handy, to hold the helpless victim down, usually me. Of course the sibling laughed like a hyena as they knew what was coming and figured they were gonna get a







for the future and recall all the blessings that occurred. Each new day provides blank pages to fill with positive thoughts.

Both farmer welfare and animal welfare are important to the success and sustainability of the livestock industries. Research investigating dairy farmer welfare and animal welfare indicators showed connections between a farmer's job satisfaction, overall personal welfare and stress level with an animal welfare index.1 Research of swine caregivers also reveals relationships between a person's attitudinal and behav-

use of alcohol, drugs or cigarettes). Acknowledging and addressing these signs and symptoms is critical in maintaining a safe workplace for yourself and a good environment for your animals. Furthermore, handler behavior and attitude are shown to impact animal behavior (e.g. fear responses), production (e.g. growth and pigs born per sow, per year) and reproduction.3

It is important to recognize when you are stressed and determine the triggers that elevate your stress. Reflect upon all aspects of your job. Which parts of your job cause you stress?

mental health can decline and become concerning. Producers experience high levels of psychological distress, depressive symptoms and anxiety symptoms.6 Of greater concern, suicide rates among those who work in agriculture are estimated to be 1.5 times higher than those who work in other occupations.7 Overall, chronic stress has taken a toll on farm and ranch families.

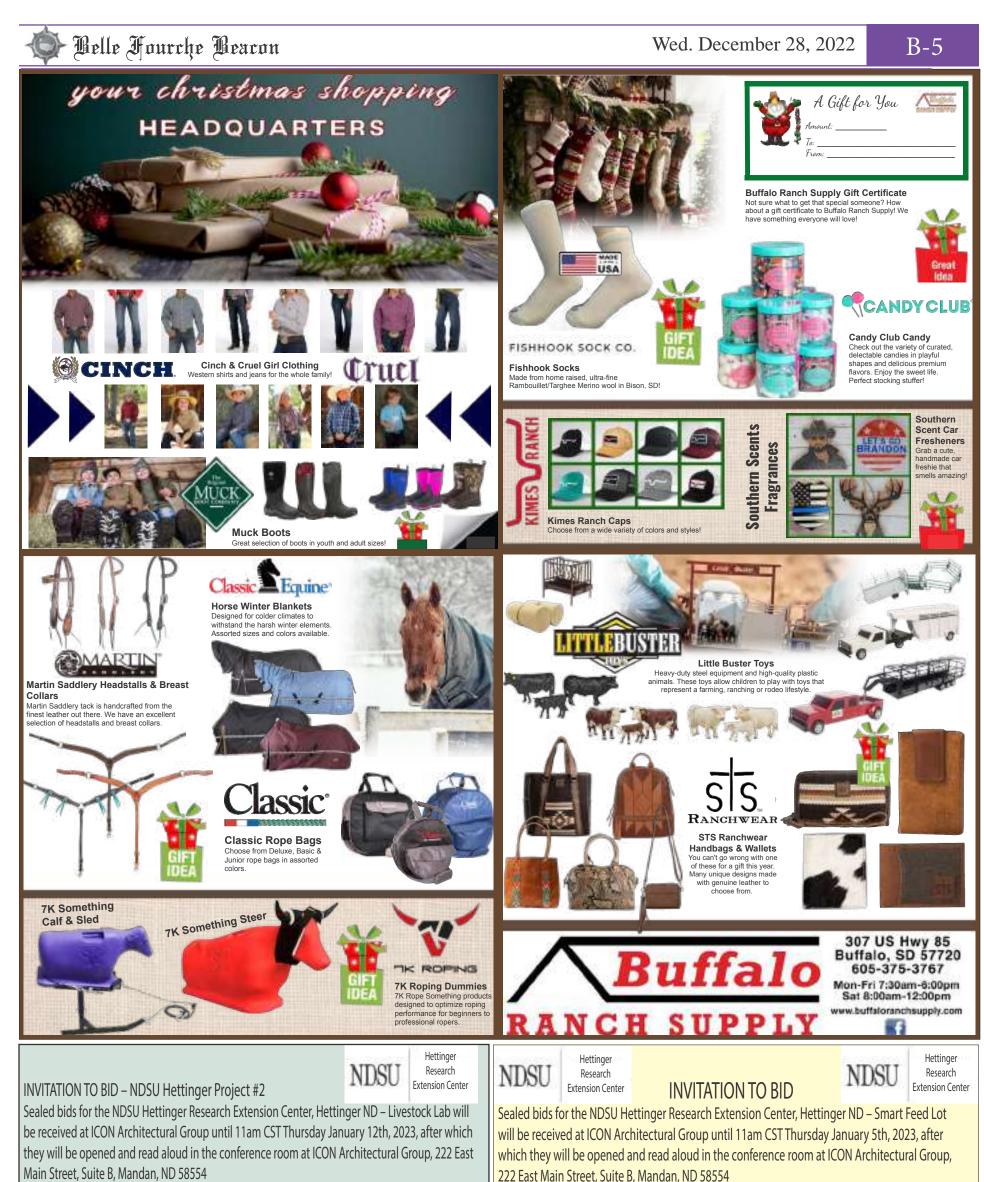
Managing Stress Effectively As you think about the next six to 12 months, determine what you can control. For example, producers can be

proactive and may feel more in control by creating and/ or updating written emergency action plans and testing equipment for potential natural disasters (e.g. blizzards, floods) or facility issues (e.g. power outages). The positive thinking connected with being prepared contributes to optimism and can be a key aspect of effective stress management. Expecting the best in situations can be extremely challenging if you tend to be pessimistic and look and prepare for the worst. However, positive thinking has many

health benefits, including lower rates of depression and psychological distress, improved physical health and better coping skills.

When you have been on a downward spiral of negative thoughts, the practice of positive thinking can seem daunting. Setting small goals is beneficial. Identify an area of your life in which you have negative thoughts and attempt to approach that area in a more positive way. Notice and





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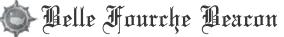
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Looking Back in Belle—

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125 years ago Belle TIMES December 23, 1897 Another New Doctor Belle Fourche is to be well supplied with gentlemen of the medical profession, Dr. Campbell having returned to town this week. Dr. Champney is an old-timer and very popular with the people far and near. His rapidly increasing practice has made it necessary that he should have an assistant in his office. He has accordingly installed his son (who is a late arrival in town) in that position. Dr. Champney, Jr., may be consulted for the present for all juvenile complaints. Born, to Dr. and Mrs. Champney, Thursday at 10 a.m., a son. THE TIMES congratulates the happy parents.

Talk of the Town Lois Scotney, who is attending the Spearfish Normal, is spending her vacation with her parents, John Scotney. The Belle Fourche Furniture company has been doing a rushing business the past week, having sent out several loads of furniture. Lee Brencomb, charged with the larceny of an overcoat, had his hearing Saturday and was found guilty. Justice Martin gave him 30 days in jail and costs. Sheriff Stevens took the gentleman to Deadwood Monday. Tuesday night Marshal Brooks arrested Wm. Tracy for shooting at "Brock" the Chinaman. Brock and Tracy had had some trouble previous to this. Tracy is now reposing upon the luxuries of the city jail.

100 years ago Northwest Daily Post December 28, 1922 Community Christmas Entertainment Packs Legion Hall and Delight Hundreds Every man, woman and child living in Belle Fourche and surrounding community was given an unusual opportunity for enjoying the wonderful Christmas tree and Santa Claus which appeared at the Legion hall on last Saturday evening. Mrs. A. H. Paltz had charge of the decorating committee, and never was a more artistic stage beheld than that one. White sheets draped in wires at just the right angles created the effect of snowy mountain ranges, some being farther in the distance the nothers. Far away in the dark, blue sky shone several very realistic stars, while down in the valley at the foot of a hill was a dear little cottage, through whose windows the dim lights shone and twinkled with expectant Christmas cheer. The big hall radiated with the Christmas spirit. A bright red bell hung from each large light

in the ceiling and the sparkling Christmas tree was decorated with everything hearts could desire, from top to bottom. AT THE CHURCHES

Congregational A crowded church enjoyed the program given by the Sunday school classes of this church on Christmas eve. Every number was good. Much candy and nuts were given out by Santa Claus who arrive through the window. Each scholar received some gift. Methodist - Every seat was occupied long before the program started and many were standing. A splendid program of songs by the Epworth League choir, followed by a pretty little Christmas cantists, delighted everyone. Every child was given a bag of candy and nuts from the nicely decorated tree. Episcopal – A very beautiful Christmas tree greeted the members of the Sunday school, and an unusually large crowd filled the church.

75 years ago Belle Fourche Daily Post December 27, 1947 Daughter Describes Death of Former Resident

The tragic story of the after-effects of war struck close to home this week when H.E. Rich of Belle Fourche received a letter from the 13 year-old daughter of a former local resident who returned to his native Philippine islands several years ago. Evangeline V. Rillas was the author of the letter received by Rich. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anastasio M. Rillas. Her father, a World War I veteran, was well known here years ago as "Duke" Rillas. He homesteaded in this area, became an American citizen, and later returned to the Philippines Fwhere he was married. Writes little Evangeline: "Since my mother has not answered your letter she told me to do the answering. She recollects to sending you a letter, but is too tired to write I think we have not informed you about my father. During World War No. 2 when the Philippines had fallen in the hands of the Japanese, my father never lost hope and faith in the strength of the American people. We ran to the hills devoid of everything – food, clothing and even shelter. We and my father joined in prayers that some day the Americans may come back to liberate us. My father did not live a little longer. While he was still living, my father had on several occasions told my mother of his desire to see once more the United States before he dies. But he died a few weeks before the Philippines was liberated by



by Mary Buchholz

the great Americans from the cruel Japanese. I am yet in the sixth grade and Lus (her 10 year old sister) is in grade three. Had not of the war I'm now in high school. We stopped our schooling during the war. All schools were closed in 1941 and opened in 1946 when the Americans liberated the Philippines. With kindest regards to yourself and your Mrs. " Letter was written Dec. 10, 1047. Touched by the tragedy of the Rillas' story, H. E. Rich believes some of "Duke's" old friends might like to help the man's family. He is planning to send to the family - mother and two daughters - a package containing a few necessities.

50 years ago Belle Fourche Daily Post December 27, 1972 Food Stamp Sale Dates Announced Food stamp sales dates for January were announced Tuesday by the Butte county welfare office. The office is instituting additional food stamp sales at Belle Fourche this year. Stamps will be sold at the welfare office in Belle Fourche each Friday in addition to the other scheduled days. The January sale dates include Jan. 4-5 at the welfare office. In addition, stamps will be sold on Jan. 8 at the Joe Heidrich home in Nisland and Newell City Hall. After that, stamps will be sold Jan. 12, 19 and 26 at the Belle Fourche office.

Belle Bank Debits Show 8% Increase Belle Fourche bank debits climbed eight per cent in November, it was disclosed this week in the monthly report from the Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank. November debits totaled \$26,272,000 as compared to \$23,446,000 for the same month a year ago. The total for the first 11 months of the year stands at \$159.321,000, an increase of 13%.



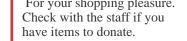




Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturdays at 8pm at 806 6th Ave Belle Fourche. Writer's Group Regular Meeting: Meeting will be Saturday, October 15th at 10 AM. B F Public Library, 3rd Sat.as always. Lynda Edwards will lead. Any and all writers are invited to attend.

Meals On Wheels **Program Ongoing** 11:30am – 12:00 pm Please call Bonnie at 892-

Armand Frankes By "The Hut" "The Hut," Belle Fourche women's ready-to-wear store, has been sold to Armand and NoRene Franke, Belle Fourche, it was announced yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Greenfield, who established the store here in September of 1969. Sale of the store becomes effective Jan. 1. Mrs. Franke has been associated with the store for some time.



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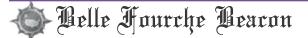




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Dr Champney on his favorite horse.



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Guard will also be hauling timber to the Oglala Sioux Tribe. They will also be helping with snow removal in support of both the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and the Oglala Sioux Tribe. They will be performing these

Miss Rodeo South Dakota



The Miss Rodeo America Pageant is held annually in conjunction with the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Reigning State Rodeo Queens compete for the coveted crown of Miss Rodeo America by competing in the areas of appearance, horsemanship, and personality.

Miss Rodeo South Dakota Adrianne Schaunaman received the following awards and placed 1st Runner Up overall. Photogenic - Speech - BEX Beauty Award. Congratulations! Miss Rodeo America 2023 won by Miss Rodeo Arizona, Kennadee Riggs

Walking in a Winter Wonderland (?)



A small group of area residents make their way down 5th Avenue toward downtown Belle Fourche last week, against a backdrop of the snow-covered northern Black Hills and braving the sub-zero wind chills for an unknown destination. Photo by Jodie Baxendale



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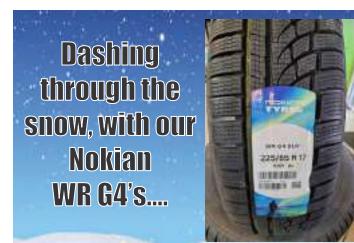
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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Wed. December 28, 2022

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Looking at Lights in Belle Fourche 12-24-2022





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2062 12th Ave



828 Ridge View St



2078 10th Ave



2019 11th Ave



906 Yuma St





808 Ridge View St

641 Stanley St



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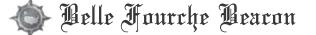
2019 Xavier St



11th Ave. Christmas Light Photos by Hunter Anderson



2041 12th Ave



"The Scout at the State Capitol"

Marty Jackley taps former South Dakota AG Barnett for eight-member leadership team Joe Sneve

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team ahead of his return to the South Dakota Attorney General's Office. The Attorney

morning announced an eight-mem- to join him when he takes office." ber leadership team that will join him when he takes office next month that includes some notable be Deputy Attorney General of the names in the world of South Dakotaoffice's criminal division, Tony state government.

that I have worked with in the past, Attorney General of the office's and I believe can handle the chal- civil division. lenges ahead of us," Jackley said. "These are the kind of dedicated leaders that belong in the Attorney

General's Office because of their experience and commitment to public service.'

Former Attorney General Mark Barnett has been tapped as Jackley's Chief Deputy. Barnett began in the office as an Assistant Attorney Marty Jackley has General in 1980 and served three chosen his leadership terms as the South Dakota Attorney General. He also served 12 years as a Circuit Court Judge.

"This office and the people in this office have always been special to me," Barnett said. "I am honored General-elect Tuesdayto be asked by the Attorney General

> Others on the leadership team include Brent Kempema, who will

Mangan as communications director "This is a team of professionals and Charlie McGuigan, Deputy

Jackley will be sworn in on Jan.

"I look forward to serving with

"Be assured of our prayers and

More anti-pot lobbyists headed to Pierre

Lawmakers informed that group that worked against IM-27 will have presence at South Dakota Capitol going forward

The campaign committee that helped block a ballot measure that sought to legalize recreational marijuana in South Dakota intends to be a permanent fixture in state politics.

Protecting South Dakota Kids raised hundreds of thousands of dollars and rallied police chiefs, sheriffs and public officials against Initiated Measure 27, which voters rejected at the polls last month. And now, the organization is forming a nonprofit to have a lobbying presence in Pierre, according to correspondence sent to lawmakers Monday.

our pledge to make ourselves available as you approach this coming legislative session," read an email sent to lawmakers by Jim Kinyon, the executive director of Rapid City-based Catholic Care Services and chairman of Protecting South Dakota Kids. "We are creating a nonprofit and we intend to continue to educate voters and to hire lobbyists to help protect our kids, families, and communities.'

They won't be alone. Marijuana reform has been routinely opposed by groups representing law enforcement and prosecutors. A majority of lawmakers also oppose cannabis.

While recreational cannabis remains illegal in South Dakota, there have been efforts at the legislative level in the past two winter lawmaking sessions to reform marijuana laws by softening penalties and even decriminalizing the mood-altering plant.

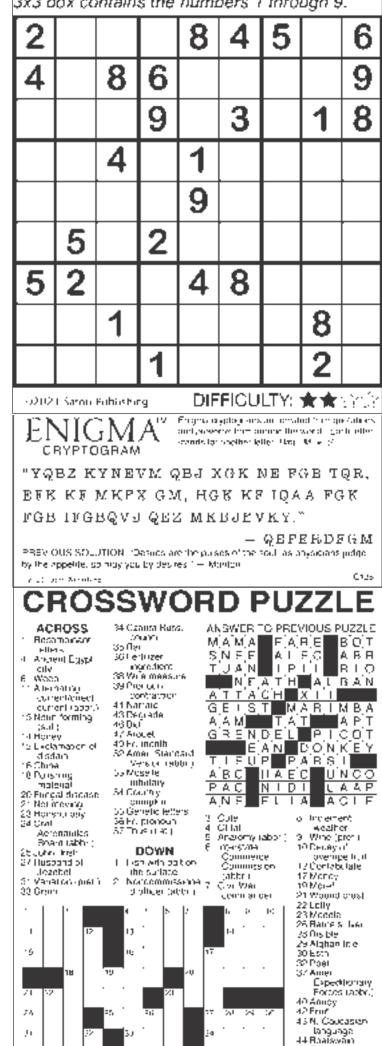


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Sudoku

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





such a dedicated team and to work

said. "I also want to thank current

Attorney General Mark Vargo for

his work in the office the last few

months and his help during this

with local law enforcement to make

our communities even safer," Jackley

Mark Barnett

And after South Dakotans in 2020 legalized medical marijuana and directed the state Health Department to set up a program, issue medical marijuana identification cards and issue medical marijuana business licenses, there have been attempts to add restrictions to that law.

Rep. Fred Deutsch said it's likely there will be bills aimed at doing that again when the Legislature convenes in January. Deutsch was also treasurer for Protecting South Dakota Kids.

The ease in which someone can get a medical marijuana ID card in the existing law is an area of statute that he wants addressed.

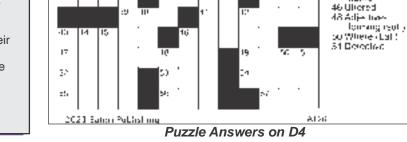
We respect the will of the people that there be a medical program, and we also respect the will of the people that there not be a recreational program," he said. "But when the marijuana industry is promising guaranteed cards and five minute exams. . . it's possible there may be some legislation offered to differentiate the two programs.

"It's an end run around the law and I think its problematic," he said, referring to MyMarijuanaCards.com, a Michigan-based company that flies in out-of-state doctors who are licensed in South Dakota for the sole purpose of performing clinic visits with patients seeking medical marijuana cards.

Jonathan Ellis.

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"Building Main Street, not Wall Street"by John Newby A Community's Hierarchy of Needs

Mother Teresa once appropriately said, "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."

To change a community, we can learn

from Mother Teresa as well as from the much taught Maslow's - Hierarchy of Needs.

If you recall, Maslow's theory tells us we must first meet the lower level in the pyramid of individual needs such as food, shelter, and so forth before we can climb to the higher and more comfortable levels of the pyramid.

Changing the individual to a community, this works the same way. Communities must first meet the basic needs of their citizens. The community needs are much the same as individual needs. Instead of food, we substitute basic amenities such as police and fire. In lieu of basic shelter, it might be the ability to offer affordable housing. Police, fire, housing are all basic entry points for a successful community. In other words, provide an environment for people to survive within your community by meeting their basic community needs.



But as Maslow taught, those are only short term simple or basic survival needs. We should always strive for much loftier goals. The real end game for the community is to attain or thrive at the top level of the pyramid, or self-actualization. This

level is where you have the wishes of your heart's desire. Translated in community terms, this can mean where you have higher wage opportunities attracting younger generations. It might mean good roads, great parks and gathering places, local and unique shopping experiences, along with restaurants. The higher up the pyramid the community goes, the greater their economic vitality. As they say, rising water raises all the ships in the harbor, this is true of your community's vitality as well.

Unfortunately, too many communities are stuck on the lower levels of the pyramid. This is due to various reasons, some controllable and some not quite as controllable. The lower end of Maslow's pyramid was never meant to be the end game and provides a very short-term view or vision. We are only meant to pass through that portion of the pyramid on the way to the top of

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the pyramid, which comes with a much greater quality of life.

How do communities come to realize the goal of self-actualization? We must first realize the economic threats to our communities. By doing so, we can alter the course or path that we may be on. Many small towns are dying as local businesses shut their doors giving way to Wall Street chains and online options. Those assets may be needed to firm up the bottom of the pyramid but will never move your community to self-actualization. Communities must understand that to achieve community self-actualization, they must seek ways to capture more local revenue from locally owned and operated businesses, that is what will ultimately power the community forward.

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

Dollars spent locally are the lifeblood of any community, which must flow freely to help maintain full health. The more wounds (non-local spending) we have in our economic blood flow, the weaker our commu-



nity immune system becomes. Many communities fail to have a well-balanced economic eco-system that balances and provides equal incentives for local entrepreneurs. Without this equal emphasis on local business, the outflow of economic blood becomes economically stifling and the community slowly dies as city governments have less of a revenue base to work with each passing year.

The growing onslaught of online consumer options is getting even more competitive. With cities courting more and more big box and chains that move those valued local dollars to Wall Street rather than Main Street, they risk being out of balance and falling into an

economic trap. Building the hyper-local business base is the only way out of what some refer to as the community death spiral.

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Building and shopping local isn't simply a nice thing to do, it is essential for your city to survive in the future.

John Newby is a nationally recognized Columnist, Publisher, Community, Business, Media, Strategic Consultant & Speaker. His "Building Main Street, not Wall Street," column is enjoyed by 60+ communities around the country. As founder of Truly-Local, he assists community and business leaders in building synergies that create vibrant communities. He can be reached at: info@Truly-Localllc.com.



FINE ARTS & MORE!

Belle Fourche Elementary Holds Christmas Concert

Sarah Jeitz news@bellefourchebeacon.com

Belle Fourche Elementary classes ended 2022 on a high note with Christmas concerts at the Belle Fourche Rec Center.

Families and friends braved the frigid, blizzard-like weather as students from Kindergarten through fourth grade took to the stage Wednesday, December 21, to perform a variety of holiday songs and dances.

First to perform was the North Park Elementary kindergarten classes, led by Mrs. Mary Bohlmann. Proving that good things come in small packages, these pint-sized performers delivered a delightful mix of Christmas classics as well as some newer pieces and even a story about a cat that saved Christmas. In between musical numbers, each individual class also recited a short Christmas poem with their classroom teacher.

Next up, South Park Elementary, led by Mrs. Lindsey Haber, took the stage, starting with the first grade classes. With songs about candy canes, elves, puppies, and even a holiday version of a rock and roll classic, there was no shortage of festive fervor among this crowd.

The second grade classes warmed up the stage with a lively opening number entitled, "Santa's Getting Fit for Christmas," followed by "The Penguin Polka," about a jolly little penguin who loves to dance.

A good reminder for the wintery day, "Better Bundle Up" was the opening song for the third graders, followed by a selection of equally upbeat holiday tunes. These young musicians were excited to have the chance to show off their rhythm-keeping skills using egg shakers and maracas in "Éste Es La Navidad," sung in both Spanish and English.

Last, but certainly not least,

fourth graders were welcomed to the stage. Entertaining audience members with dances, jokes, and strong vocals, this show had it all. A moving performance of the classic "Silent Night," using American Sign Language was particularly powerful.

In addition to merry melodies, each grade also performed a musical number in honor of our veterans.

Met with great applause after singing their hearts out, students said "see ya next year," to their teachers and friends and headed back out into the blustery winter day ready to enjoy their Christmas vacation.

by Belle LaVenue

Show Up

Belle LaVenue here, watching the Holiday Fine Arts winding down, and the fine arts organizations preparing for entertainment in 2023.

The Belle Fourche Area Community Theater (BFACT) ANNUAL MEETING will be on Saturday, January 14 from 7 - 8pm at Venue 519.



YOU are invited to attend the meeting - maybe start or renew your membership, and maybe even join the BFACT Board. According to Executive Producer, Derek Olson, he and Board of Directors will break down this past season of theater and talk about what's to come. There

will be four board seats up for election so if you are interested in getting involved, make sure to be there. This meeting is open to everyone, but only members can vote for BOD seats. You can become a member at the meeting. (And we hope many people do!)

MARK YOUR AUTUMN CALENDARS for these upcoming Fine Arts Events:

JANUARY 14, SATURDAY - BFACT ANNUAL MEETING from 7-8 PM at VENUE 519.
JANUARY 16, MONDAY - BFMS Winter Band Concert, BELLE FOURCHE REC CENTER THEATER.

• JANUARY 23 - BFHS Competitive ONE ACT PERFORMANCE - 7 PM. This is the public performance of the show that will compete at Regional One Act on January 25th.

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



First graders rock out to "We Will Jingle." Jeitz Photos



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Fourth graders do Christmas songs and wintery-themed jokes Courtesy Photo

Mrs. Haber's third graders sing loud and proud at Wednesday's Christmas concert. *Courtesy Photo*



Kindergartners perform "Must Be Santa" at their Christmas Concert Wednesday.



Second grade students perform enthusiastically for family and friends! Courtesy Photo



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Hunkering Down

Colleen Brunner news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL/VALE/NISLAND – The warmer (above zero) temperatures on Saturday and especially Sunday, Christmas day, were a real blessing and very welcome to most in the NVN area. Many had been hunkered down for the past two weeks, only venturing out for absolute necessities, with many road closures and no travel advisories.

Friday, December 23, saw a large group of people turn up for the Truck Defender free prime rib/shrimp dinner at High Plains Restaurant. And it might have been more than the free meal as people ate and then sat visiting until others needed the table or booth. They had been cooped up so long and dealing with frigid weather, it was a relief for them to come together in a sense of community.

"I don't really even want ice in my water any more," said Doug Cox, who normally doesn't wear a coat very often, but on Friday came into the restaurant in a parka.

Suzie Barden of Vale area, posted a few pics following the remnants of the storm. "The temps are still bitter," said Barden. "But most everything we had shoveled out returned plus the added bonus of it literally snowing inside the house and some frozen pipes. (We also had to) break ice from the furnace pipe every few hours to keep it running." Barden said she hoped for a long break from the intense storms, especially for the critters. She said they lost a few hens but brought some inside in time to thaw them out.

She gave thanks for a near neighbor, Stephanie McMahon, who came down with a skid steer to plow out the lean to so the horses had a windbreak for Hunker D2

A Gift to the Community



Dean and Becky Johnson, owners of Truck Defender of Vale, along with their children Kim, Zane and Kendal, hosted the free dinner at High Plains Restaurant on Friday night. - Brunner photo (Story below)

Bringing Community Together

Colleen Brunner

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NEWELL – After two weeks of blizzard and arctic temperatures, along with wind and confining ourselves to our homes for the most part, it seems the community came out in force on Friday, December 23 to the High Plains Restaurant for the Truck Defender free prime rib and shrimp dinner. The place was packed.

In an effort to bring community together, Dean and Becky Johnson brought the meal to Newell after serving it last time in December of 2019 at Vale. This couple, Dean's parents, Ron and Bev, along with the cooperation of High Plains hosted the totally free event, including the meal, drinks, and even dessert.

"Because we can," Dean said when asked why they do this. "It's because of community and what they give to us." Becky reiterated her husband's words and added, "Because community is important." The couple was a bit late to their own party as they were dealing with frozen water tanks, **Community** D2





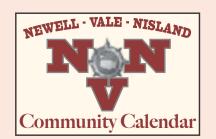
Completely drifted in, the owner of this pickup is not planning on using it anytime soon. He's actually hoping for it to all melt. - Brunner photo

On the menu for the free community dinner on Friday, hosted by Truck Defender of Vale, was prime rib, shrimp, baked potato, and all the trimmings, including drinks, ice cream and a Norwegian cookie for dessert. - Brunner photo



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

Dec, 29: HSWRR Harding Co Tourney, 9 a.m.

Dec. 30: GBB/BBB at Lemmon, 1 p.m.

Jan. 1: NYE Dinner for Two at High Plains Restaurant, special Prime Rib, Tenderloin or Scallops, Appetizer and free champagne at midnight.

Jan. 3: GBB at Wall, 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 5: BBB at Sundance, 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 6: HSWR at Lyman Tourney 10 a.m.; GBB/BBB vs Tiospaye Topa at Newell, 3

From D1 Hunker

the storm that came in on the second round.

Sherry Wells, who lives south of Vale with her husband Fred. posted at one point during the storm. "The wind is still howling and it's a -9 degrees with wind chills much colder. We lost power earlier tonight just as I was cooking dinner. Pork chops were cooked and we ate those and had salad. The power came back on about 8 p.m. This has been worse than last week. We are so over wind and snow."

William Wainman thanked a fellow neighbor who he didn't even know. "To the kind person in the blue tractor who showed up Christmas morning and plowed out my driveway," he said. "You made my day and my Christmas. I'm sorry I did

p.m.

Jan. 6: RESCHEDULED-Leadership Day at the school for staff and students, all day.

Jan. 7: HSWR at Lyman Tourney 9 a.m.

Jan. 7: Fire Pit Restaurant at Nisland. Special Music, Cody Henson Hullinger.

Jan. 9-12: Delta Dental Mobile at Newell school. Call school office at 605-456-0102 to register your child.

Jan. 9: School board meeting 6 p.m. in MPR; City commission at admin offices at 6 p.m.

Jan. 10-GBB-West River Tourney at Newell, 6 p.m.

Jan. 12: BBB-West River Tourney at Newell, 6 p.m.

Jan. 13: GBB/BBB West River Tourney at Newell, 3 p.m.

Jan. 14: GBB/BBB West River Tourney at Barnett Center in Rapid City, all day. See school webpage for time of games.

Jan. 19: GBB at Newell vs. Custer, 5:30 p.m.

not get out there to thank you Ken Ballou, who lives in the city limits of Newell was offering free (tongue in cheek)

personally."

snow shoveling classes. "I will be holding a free snow shoveling class in my driveway," said Ballou. "Come and join the class and learn about the proper ways to shovel." Ballou jokingly said techniques would be reviewed and would include the scoop and throw method, the down and push method (AKA the plow technique), as well as the upside-down scraping technique.

"Please bring your own shovel (ergonomic designs suggested)," said Ballou in his post online. "This ensures you will learn the correct procedure for your equipment. With humor as a stress reliever,

he suggested checking with him

for additional details, telling viewers that opportunities would be limited and handled on a first come, first served basis.

Later Ballou said, "Stepped out the door this a.m. and promptly did a face plant in the snow, as I was so used to the wind I (automatically) leaned forward, obviously too far, and down I went. Also, there is a strange bright round object in the sky to the east? UFO? New yard light at the neighbors?"

All joking aside, ranchers have obviously had a difficult couple of weeks, as have snowplow operators and many others who had to get out to deal with livestock, animals and businesses that were essential to the community.

With the warmer weather, it is hoped the last of the article blast is history.



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Jeremy Butcher and his wife Courtney Rans and daughters Caitlyn and McKenzie, share a portion of the Christmas story during the service on December 4, at Nisland Independent Community Church. - Brunner photo



Jeremiah Weeldrever has been working diligently in keeping things going at Newell school. This drift from the roof of the elementary building into the playground area was not a priority. - Brunner photo





From D1 Community

just like every other rancher in the area. The same thing happened in 2019 when the first Truck Defender dinner was held. "It's just part of being a rancher," said Becky, laughing. Dean's parents, Ron and Bev, held the fort while waiting for their kids.

The restaurant, which basically shut down all other business for the night was packed. From 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. there was a steady stream of people filling the tables and booths. They did run out of prime rib, but a free meal where locals didn't have to cook for themselves was enticing and the people just kept coming.

The Johnsons started the Truck Defender business in 2004 after Becky, driving in western South Dakota hit a deer. It got Dean to thinking and soon the Truck Defender bumper, and a whole lot more, was created. And, because the business grew satisfactorily, it gives the Johnson's the opportunity to give back to the community.

People kept coming, singles, couples and even large groups, like Kim and Scott Wince, their friends the Muckridges and Steve Schoenfish, waited 15 minutes for a table to empty. The High Plains staff, including Shelby Styles, the owner and her work family, were hopping. And because everything was courtesy of the Johnson family, there were no tickets to worry about, only tips.

The Johnson family even brought several door prizes for those coming from as far away as Faith. Owen Johnson (no relation) won a beautiful bouquet of flowers and his tablemates teased him until his face turned red. Becky gave out two beautiful Christmas wreaths to other individuals.

She said she wasn't sure if it was the free food, or the enticement of community companionship, but there was not an empty table for longer than it took to get it bussed and set back up for the next people.

"It is a great night," said Becky. "The High Plains folks are just great and have done so much for our community, it just made sense to hold this here."

"We enjoyed helping out," said Shelby as she ran on to the next group waiting for their meal. According to Styles, they served over 150 people during the evening.

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Eve at Rick and Cindy Engle's

house in the Hills. Reub and I

were the only people here on

church for the Christmas Eve

candlelight service that evening.

Tony Holt got out of the hospi-

It was nice and warm Sunday

morning on Christmas day. It

rained in the night and the rain

ice melted off the highway so

Guy and his family, Sage and

were all able to make it to the

ranch. We had planned to have

the Olson family Christmas

at the Reva Hall, but so many

family members couldn't get

at Taz and Amanda's house

It's winter in South Dakota, And the gentle breezes blow, Seventy miles an hour At twenty-nine below.

Oh, how I love South Dakota, When the snow's up to your

You take a breath of winter air And your nose gets frozen shut.

Yes, the weather here is won-

So I guess I'll hang around. I could never leave South

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Betty Olson

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Last Monday was the nicest day until this weekend with no snow and a high of 10 degrees. Nate Beck came to Bangs vaccinate the heifers that morning. The roads were opened up so Amanda went to meet the mailman to pick up all the mail from last week on her way to Buffalo for Copper's belated birthday party at the school. Taz and Trig worked on Taz and Amanda's basement that day and then Trig took Sage's suburban back up to Sage and brought his car home.

It was 15 below when we got up Tuesday morning. Bill Holt called to let us know that his father, Tony Holt, was put in the hospital in Hettinger last night and he was doing better. The guys butchered two beef and have them aging in cooler to get them ready to cut up and wrap next week. Amanda picked up Copper that afternoon and found out that that would be the last day of school before Christmas because of

the weather. It was 26 below zero when we wore up Wednesday morning and it was snowing and blowing with a bad blizzard all day, making it clear up to minus 11 degrees. Reub got the tractor stuck over at our east place and Casey was able to get him pulled out before noon. Pastor Henry and Linda Mohagen went to Hettinger to visit

Tony Holt in the hospital and managed to get home over the bad roads. Taz and Trig were in Hettinger that day and they also managed to get home safe. I shoveled out both chicken coops that morning but couldn't make it to either of the chicken coops that afternoon with a minus 56 degree wind chill and 60mph winds. It was 22 below zero Thursday morning and there was no travel in all of South Dakota. It warmed up to 13 below that day, but Reub froze his ears when he went out to shovel out the chicken coops for me so I could

feed the chickens and gather all

Grand River Roundup

the frozen eggs.

It was only 4 below on Friday when the electricity went off and really messed things up here on the ranch. The well quit pumping water, for some reason the generator didn't work and it even messed up our television. We had supper at Casey and Missy's house that evening to celebrate Christmas with all their family. Teri and Mike and their boys got stuck on the highway in Minnesota while trying to get here that afternoon.

Teri called Saturday morning to let us know that after getting stuck three times they spent the night at a church in St. Clair and after getting plowed out, they were turning around and going back home for Christmas. Casey and Missy and their family went to spend Christmas



Then and Now in Newell

"Looking Forward to our Past" -

December 26, 1912

In reference to the arrest of Daniel Sears and Gene Currington, the Case against Gene Currington has been dropped, as the officers were convinced that he was the rightful owner of the horses he had in his possession.

Henry C. Wilson is putting in an Atlas steel scale of standard make, one of the best on the market and will soon be in the position to sell hay to those wanting it. Other Vale area news: Commissioner Ritter informs us that the new bridge at the Bismarck Crossing is rapidly nearing completion. Schmidt & Gladden have the material on the ground and the arch will soon be in place. Andy Rosander is bailing Alfa Alfa hay and delivering it to Newell on board cars for shipment outbound.

This is not intended to be a final payment on the 1922 crop and the company is hopeful of making further payment if the price of sugar warrants. There were some 6,000 tons of beets raised this season under this sort of contract.

Nisland walked all over the Belle Fourche high school team in the first scheduled basketball contest of the Black Hills Circuit, which took place at Nisland last evening. The final count was 23 to 7 in favor of the Nisland boys. Two or three automobile loads of Newell people attended the game and report a large attendance.

Before Judge T.G. Brown, in Juvenile Court at Belle Fourche

by Linda Velder December 22, 1932

Miss Rose Waltman, niece of the late Henry Peetz, has been reading in The Valley Irrigator abut the construction of the lake on the golf club grounds and sent to Buchholz & Richards a contribution of \$5 toward the project. Miss Waltman believes completion of the lake would be a decided asset to the town.

(Miss) Sara E. Stevenson hereby announced herself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of the Belle Fourche Irrigation District, subject to the election of January 3, 1933. Your vote is solicited and your efforts on her behalf will be appreciated.

William J. (Bud) Quinn was



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William Elliason of Reva and Fred Glover of Newell, were arraigned before Judge Charles R. Hayes in Deadwood, were given suspended sentences of 3 years each. They were jointly charged in the theft of a valuable saddle from Frank Glover of Newell. Lafferty was arrested last week at a ranch on the Cheyenne Indian Reservation; he had the saddle in his possession. William Elliason and Freddie Glover were taken into custody later; Glover at a ranch near Buffalo and Elliason at a ranch near Reva. The 3 men pleaded guilty to the charge of grand larceny before Justice J.G. Hartwell in Belle Fourche and were taken Saturday to Deadwood for sentencing by Judge Hayes. Glover was drafted into Army service and will leave from Belle Fourche next month.

Among the students from National School of Business at Rapid City who arrived the past week end are the Misses Betty Westre, Elsie Jukkola, Rose Winkler, Elvie Killinen, Betty Wiest and Esther Wahlfeldt.The ladies will return for the winter term beginning on January 4 to prepare for good positions the war department is now offering. Not only will these classes be

December 21, 1922

According to the announcement sent out by the Great Western Sugar Company; those growers in the Belle Fourche Valley who operated this year under the sliding-scale contract will receive another \$1 to payment on December 22. yesterday, 2 boys who pleaded guilty, to moral delinquency, were sentenced to the state reform school until 21 years of age. The sentence was suspended, however, pending their good behavior and provided that they pay the costs of the Court proceedings with money earned by themselves. J. H. Wilkinson, Jos Felt, J. E. Ireland and several others were called as witnesses in the juvenile court proceedings.

an arrival in Newell Monday from Boulder City, Nevada, to spend the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. William Quinn and calling on friends here and at Nisland. Bud is employed by the Reclamation Bureau on the Hoover Dam project and has first-hand knowledge of the enormous project there.

December 24, 1942 Ellsworth Lafferty, of Strool, for the duration, but afterwards. Only qualified workers will be retained after the war.

Bostonians who never ate horsemeat before will now have a chance to try this delicacy. The first shipment of 30,000 pounds of inspected horse meat arrived and the whole town is talking about it. A taste for horse meat, like a taste of olives, has to be cultivated. As farmers switch to mechanized farming, the work horse is becoming obsolete and many are shipped out of our area by rail.

December 18, 1962

Plans are underway to form a speech conference of schools belonging to the Little Ten Athletic Conference, G.W. announced. A preliminary contest will be held January 8, in Newell, in which 2 or more schools will enter. The debate season is open and first regular Black Hills Tournament will take place January 10 at Lead. The question for debate will be resolved: "That the Atlantic Pact Nations, Should Form a Federal Union". Newell High School has a strong debate squad this year of Seniors, Junior, and Sophomores.

June Schmele was named this past week as Newell High School entry in 1952 DAR Good Citizen Contest. Miss Schmele was 1952 Girl's State delegate and daughter of Mrs. Sophia Schmele, June was selected as local delegate on basis of dependability, service leadership and patriotism, has also maintained a High Scholastic average, been active in music and debate in school and also in 4-H clubs and church work.

Jack Kivimaki, 23 formerly of Newell now Minnesota, was seriously injuries in a one-car



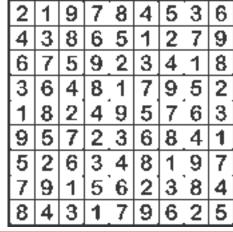
This is an old New Year greeting card. "Penny Post Card", it cost a penny to send. It is from the Rich Collection



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accident, which occurred Monday along Highway US 385 south of Deadwood. Kivimaki was a passenger in a car driven by Daniel A. Fredlund, 24 formerly of Newell now both men were thrown from the car, which was demolished when it hit a tree. The 2 men were given First Aid treatment by Mr. & Mrs. Reno Rantapaa of the Brownsville Store and removed to St. Joseph's Hospital in Deadwood by ambulance. Fredlund was released after

Bringing the Community Together



Every booth and table were filled by 5:15 for the free prime rib dinner on Friday. The staff said they served over 150 people during the 5-8 p.m. time. Dean and Becky Johnson, owners of Truck Defender of Vale, along with their children Kim, Zane and Kendal, hosted the free dinner at High Plains Restaurant. - Brunner photo



Bev and Ron Johnson played host while waiting for their son, Dean and family to show up for the free Truck Defender hosted dinner in Newell on Friday. - Brunner photo



of Rapid City, when it missed a curve along the highway. Investigating officers reported treatment for minor injuries. Kivimaki is still in the intensive care unit.

Newell Varsity Girls Basketball Schedule 2022-2023

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Owen Johnson of Faith (no relation) won a beautiful Christmas bouquet during the evening Friday night. - Brunner photo

Newell Varsity Boys Basketball Schedule 2022-2023

12/10/22	@ 🔖 Bison	L 54-55	2/2/23	vs 💼 Hill City	3:00 PM
12/30/22	@ 🕻 Lemmon	1:00 PM	2/3/23	@ 🧄 Edgemont	1:00 PM
1/5/23	@ Sundance, WY	5:30 PM	2/4/23	vs 🔌 Lead- Deadwood	PPD
1/6/23	vs 👰 Tiospaye	3:00	2/7/23	vs ò Oelrichs	4:00 PM
104/00	Тора	PM	2/10/23	vs 🌪 Timber Lake	3:00 PM
1/24/23	24/23 vs 💮 New 5:30 Underwood PM	2/16/23	vs 🛞 Dupree	3:00 PM	
1/28/23	@ ┢ Philip	1:00 PM	2/18/23	@ 🦚 Wall	5:30 PM

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Valupak 4.49b S129 Certified Angus Beef

85% Lean Ground Beef



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Soft Taco Tortillas



Restaurante Style Tortilla Chips 10-13 oz.



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Our Family Cereal 12 oz. Biscuits, 12 oz. Toasted Oats, 12 oz. Crispy Rice, 12.25 oz. Honey Nut Toasted Oats, 17.3 oz. Bran Flakes or 15 oz. Frosted Flakes









Betty Crocker Specialty Potatoes 4.6-5.1 oz. 2/3.00



Betty Crocker Delights Brownie, Cookie or Lemon Bar Mix 16.5-19.1 oz. 2/5.00



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Our Family Microwave Popcorn 3-4 ct. 3 ΙΛ



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Kellogg's Select 7.1-13.8 oz.

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