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### Rebecca Larson to Run for Mayor

Rebecca Larson was born and raised in southwest Minnesota. She graduated from Southwest Minnesota State University with a Bachelors in Biology, then went to chiropractic school at Northwestern Health Sciences University in Bloomington, Minnesota.

She met her husband, Belle Fourche native, Jade Larson, while at chiropractic school. At school she was a member of the Student Senate, and served as president of the Student Senate.

After graduation Rebecca and Jade moved to Belle Fourche in November 2014. Since moving to Belle Fourche, she has worked for Tri-State Chiropractic, TREC-Badlands Head Start, and the Butte County State's Attorney's Office. The Larsons have three children.

From a young age, it has always been a dream of Rebecca'a to be involved in politics. She stated, "I am running for Mayor because I want to positively impact the community that I live in and raise my family in".

"Over the past six years, I have met many people and businesses that are passionate about Belle Fourche and have big ideas of how to make it even better. I am ready for the task of putting those ideas into action and achieving the goals of our citizens."

"I believe that the voice of a Mayor is not singular, it is a microphone of the collective voices of the town. I want to hear your ideas of what works and what could be changed, what could be added to enhance the town and our livelihoods.

"There are great traditions that make Belle Fourche the town that it is, and I would like the opportunity, as your Mayor, to preserve the great traditions while helping the town grow to its full potential."



Rebecca Larson

### **Lady Broncs Advance to SoDak 16**



The Lady Broncs earned a trip to the State BB playoffs SoDak 16 with a hard fought, come from behind, 53-48 victory over Rapid City Christian. The players and coaches from both teams met mid court for a post game prayer. For the game story turn to A4. - John Skogberg Courtesy photo

### **Memorial Sign to Honor Law Enforcement Officers**

**COLLEEN BRUNNER** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

BUTTE COUNTY – The South Dakota Department of Transportation will place signs in honor of two Butte County lawmen who were slain in 1946. The SD DOT has approved the placement of memorial signage along US Highway 85 between Belle Fourche and Spearfish to honor the memory of two law officers who were murdered 75 years ago.

The event comes due to the efforts of former Newell Valley Irrigator editor/reporter Tim Velder.

"I figured after 75 years it was time (these two were recognized)," said Velder.
On January 24, 1946, Butte
County Sheriff Dave Malcolm and South Dakota Special
Agent Tom Matthews were murdered by Minnesota fugitive
George Sitts about one mile north of Spearfish. The two lawmen had stopped Sitts north of where I-90 Exit 10 now exists. Sitts, an escaped convicted murderer, was armed with a

stolen pistol and killed Malcolm and Matthews during the traffic stop. Sitts was on the run after escaping from jail after a murder he committed in Minnesota.

The large signs honoring the memory of Malcolm and Matthews will be unveiled during an informal gathering at 11 a.m. Monday, May 10, at Golliher Arena on Highway 85 between Spearfish and Belle Fourche. Local law enforcement, elected officials, family members, and the news media are invited to attend.

Sheriff Dave Malcom, 57, emigrated as a child with his family to the United States from Scotland in the 1890s. They initially settled in the Hot Springs area but later moved to the Nisland area. Malcolm, husband to Edith (Thomson) and father of a 9-month-old daughter, was a World War I veteran, worked as a deputy sheriff, farmer and mine worker until becoming Butte County's sheriff in 1945. He is buried a Pine Slope Cemetery in Belle Fourche.

Special Agent Tom Matthews, 48, was the son of cattleman



George Sitts arrest group shot. From left: E. I. Collier, Highway patrolman on left, (believed to be Deputy W. C. Miller), Sitts, Sheriff J. O. Twiford, and on right is DCI agent Ray Dillabou. - Permission for use by Historic Black Hills Studios

Thomas Matthews who operated near Spearfish. Tom schooled in Spearfish and attended Black Hills Teacher's College. He was active in the community and was a race car driver in his younger days. Matthews was also a World War I veteran, and worked for the FBI in anti-espionage realm during World War II. He is buried at Rose Hill Cemetery in Spearfish.

The two law enforcement officers responded when a call was made to the sheriff about a person leaving a gas station without paying for fuel. This was prior to the interstate system, and they intercepted Sitts just north of Spearfish where the current Exit 10 now funnels

traffic into town.

Matthews actually spoke with Sitts in his car before the suspect headed north toward Belle Fourche where Malcom was waiting about a mile away. Caught between two lawmen, Sitts stepped out of his vehicle and fired, killing both men. Sitts then walked to where Malcom had falling and fired from close range.

Sitts was caught later by local law enforcement and was eventually sentenced to death and was the only person in South Dakota ever executed in the electric chair. See next week's issue for the story behind the memorial.

# **Belle Fourche Senior Featured in Rising Star of the West Contest**

Belle Fourche High School senior Kendal Millett was be featured as part of KEVN Black Hills FOX's Rising Star of the West scholarship contest on Tuesday March 2nd on The SIX and on Black Hills FOX News at 9:00. Millett qualified for the contest by submitting a short video of herself to KEVN Black Hills FOX

Millett is one of the semi-finalists who will be seen through March 19th. Her one minute commentary will be aired and then placed on www.blackhillsfox.com for viewers to watch and rate. One competitor from each week will then advance to the final round in May. The winner from that group will receive a \$4,000 college scholarship, with a total of \$7,500 in scholarship money awarded from KEVN Black Hills FOX and Monument Health.

The 2007 Rising Star of the West winner was Shad Christman from Lemmon High School. Kaitlyn Hemmingson from Spearfish High School was the 2008 winner. Annelise Ewing of Spearfish High School won the 2009 competition. Caila Brennan of St. Thomas More was the 2010 winner. Janesa Bakeberg of Spearfish High School won in 2011. Jordon Barthel of Lead-Deadwood High School was the 2012 winner. Rae McKee of Nemo won



Belle Fourche High School senior Kendall Millett has made the semi-finals of the Rising Star of the West competition on KEVN-TV. Her one minute video commentary will be aired and then placed on KEVN's website for viewers to watch and rate. The winner will be announced in May with a total of \$7,500 in scholarships awarded during the competition to honor area outstanding high school seniors. - Courtesy photo

in 2013, with Gavin Brucklacher of Philip High School winning in 2014, Noah Storm of Stevens took home the title in 2015, Aubrey Cope of St. Thomas More was the Rising Star of the West winner in 2016 with homeschool senior Emma Smith in 2017, Douglas High School senior Ireland Larsen in 2018 and Stevens senior Jessica Benson was the winner in 2019. Douglas High School senior Melissa Rothe won the 2020 competition.

# Lee Capp to Run for BF School Board

Hello, I am Lee Capp, a Belle Fourche Schools Alumni (K-12), a military veteran, and candidate for Belle Fourche School Board.

Prior to joining American Colloid in Colony more than 16 years ago, I lived and worked in Spearfish until moving back to Belle 18 months ago.

Some of my leadership experiences include attending the Belle Fourche Leadership Development 2019-2020 Class and currently serving as Secretary for the Belle Fourche Lions Club. During the leadership class, we learned the inner workings of the city and county as well as how each government, business, and non-profit group work together for the betterment of our community. During the leadership



sessions, it became my goal to give back to the community in any way possible. The Belle Fourche School Board is a great opportunity to align my leadership experiences and community goals.

In my career, from the military and beyond, I have developed a servant-style leadership philosophy I believe will benefit the School Board, our school system, and Belle Fourche as a whole.

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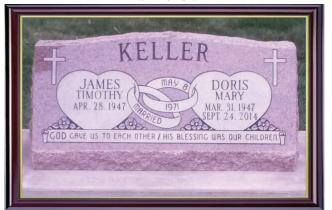
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### **Obituaries**

#### Dama Eaton 66

Dama "Day" Denise Eaton was born on March 11, 1973 in Pierre, South Dakota to Dewey Lee and Karla Irene (Samuelson) Noland.

Dama had suffered from numerous health issues for the past several years and passed away at Monument Health in Spearfish, SD or February 21, 2021.

Dama married Brandon Eaton on October 29. 1988 in Spearfish. To this union Aidan and Zada were born. She was active in Job's Daughters. This is where

she met many of her friends and associates. Dama leaves behind her two children, Aiden and Zada; brothers, Matt (Nicole), Mark (Janice) and John (Raven); her uncle, Mark Samuelson and numerous nieces, nephews and many friends. She was preceded in death by her father, Dewy; her mother Karla died February 23, 2021. Services are pending.

An online guest book is available at klinefuneralchapel.com

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#### Karla Noland 72

Karla Irene Noland, 72, of Belle Fourche peacefully passed away February 23, 2021 at her home after a lengthy battle with health issues.

Karla was born June 25, 1948 in Murdo, South Dakota to Fredrik and Norma Irene (Perry) Samuelson. She received her education in White River. While in high School she was active in the school band, marching band and the Librarian Club.

Karla had four children, Dama "Day", John, Mark and Matt. She was a hard-working, beautiful, friendly and generous soul who will be greatly missed.

She leaves behind three sons, Matt (Nicole), Mark (Janice) and John (Raven); grandchildren, Aidan,

Zada, Summer, Alex, Zach, Rosie, Saige, Blake, Warren and James; her brother, Mark Samuelson of Spearfish; many adopted children and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, John; sister-in-law, Mary Anne, her sister, Marilyn; brother-in-law, Floyd "Johnny" Sumners and beloved daughter, Dama Eaton.

Services are pending. An online guest book is available at klinefuneralchapel.com

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#### Pastor's Perspective

This week's P P is provided by: Pastor Chuck Aurand Belle Fourche UCC & St. Onge UCC

#### "Seek the Lord"

"Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them." [Isaiah 55:6-7b NRSV] It is Lent in the Christian world—a period of time

to prepare for the Easter celebrations coming in April. For the rest of the world (and for Christians as well for that matter) this is a time of nation self- examination following the disastrous events of January 6th and the on-going pandemic. The history of Church Tradition since before the Council of Nicea in 325 AD., has affirmed the practice of taking time to "seek, call, forsake, and return.3

All of us, Christian and non-Christian, desperately need to seek our grounding...our bedrock core of belief in the goodness of life on this earth and within these mountains and prairies. What are our values that we cherish and honor most of all, and without which we become less than human/

All of us, Christian and non-Christian, need to call upon these ideals to inform our actions and to help us prepare strategies for the coming year. For the Christian, this would be God, or God in Christ. Once we do the hard work of identifying our ground of being...our bedrock values...we must appeal to those values to inform the actions of our lives. This is what we mean by "to call" upon.
All of us, Christian and non-Christian, need to forsake

"my way" in favor of "God's way" or "the way of my core values which make me human/humane in life." It's true, for those Christians out there that God doesn't care if your name is on some Church roster somewhere. In Exodus 33:19, the scripture says that, "and I [God] will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy." God is not bound to favor anyone, regardless of church membership. God decides. God does favor those who do what God asks us to do-love one another, love God. To put it another way, "do justice, and to love kindness

and to walk humbly with your God?" [Micah 6:8] For non-Christians, you don't get a pass on this. By denying your own values which make you human-values which you share with your community, values which make community living even

possible—you damage your own self-image. In a wonderful paradox, by forsaking that which "isn't me", we become more authentically, "me"

Finally, all of us, Christian and non-Christian, need to return. I don't care what roads you have trodden; trails you have ridden. Your past is past. Where you end up at the end of your life's journey depends on what do now. To return to God for Christians is a turning to being a little more caring, a little more forgiving, a little more compassionate in our daily walk. To return for the non-Christian is to keep you core values before you each day to guide your actions. The country western song says, "If you don't stand for something, you'll fall for anything." I think that's what happened in D.C.; good hardworking people who care for one another lost their way in the darkness and forgot to love, and forgive, and to have compassion for those around them.

I'm a pastor but I'm not asking you to change your faith or ethics. I believe strongly that you have faith and ethics...enough to live good lives which contribute to your community. In this season of Lent, I want us all to return to what makes us our best. And I think we can all say, "Amen" to that.

### **Another Perspective**

This Another Perspective is from the archives of Foursquare pastor Dr. Jack Hayford

#### How God Evaluates Worship

In my experience, theological discussions about worship tend to focus on the cerebral, not the visceral on the mind, not the heart. "True" worship, we are often taught, is more about the mind thinking right about God (using theologically correct language and liturgy), rather than the heart's hunger for him.

But the words of our Savior resound the undeniable call to worship that transcends the intellect: "God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth"

We've been inclined to conclude that mind is the proper synonym for spirit here, but the Bible shows that heart is a better candidate. "In truth" certainly suggests participation of the intellect in worship, but it is inescapably second and dependent upon the heart's fullest release first.

This priority is usually held suspect. The heart is said to be governed by affections and thus is more vulnerable to deception than is the intellect. But to base worship on the intellect is to entertain a dual delusion: first, that the mind is less subject to deception than is the heart; second, that the mind is the main means to "contact" God in worship (note verses like Job 11:7: "Can you fathom the mysteries of God?").

Yes, human intelligence contributes to worship, but God's Word indicates he is not looking for something brilliant but something broken: "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heartthese, O God, You will not despise" (Psalm 51:17).

The exercises of our enlightened minds may deduce God, but only our ignited hearts can delight him and in turn experience his desire to delight us!

To be more specific, I believe that to please God, worship must do four things.

1. True worship treasures God's presence. God welcomes those into his presence who want him. The quest may be one of desperation or of delight, of frantic need or of a loving hunger for fellowship, but the motivation is clear--and so is his pleasure with it.

In Exodus 33 and 34, a tender and powerful exchange takes place between God and Moses, spanning the range from an intimate face-to-face encounter to a dramatic declaration by the Almighty. Central is the cry of Moses: 'Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in your sight, show me now your way, that I may know you and that I may find grace in your sight."

To which God replies, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest" (Ex. 33:13-15). Shortly following this, God displays his glory to Moses--as sure a sign of his pleasure and presence as he ever gives (Ex. 40:33-38; 1 Kings 1:8-11).

I had been in pastoral leadership for nearly 15 years when my thinking about corporate worship was transformed. Rather than tightly regimented gatherings, concerned over aesthetics, mechanics, and academic theology, we began to provide an unpressured portion of the service for free-flowing songs of praise and adoration. Within two years, our church began to experience God's glory and grace in new and more profound ways, an experience that continues still.

We've been vigilant in seeking constant renewal of the practice because we know that even the finest spiritual habits are vulnerable to the arthritis of ritualism--when form loses its focus. But with gentleness, the Holy Spirit has a way of drawing us back to our "first love"--to a renewed hunger and thirst for the Living God.

#### Prayer for the Day

My Father, may I not sorrow so that I fail to comfort the sorrowing, and may I not be so happy that I fail to see that others need to be glad. I thank thee for thy providences. May I serve thee in helping others to brighter lives. Amen.

"You restored me to health and let me live. Surely it was for my benefit that I suffered such anguish. In your love you kept me from the pit of destruction; you have put all my sins behind your back."

~ Isaíah 38:16-17







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By: Chamber Director Miranda Gallagher

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Chutes for Charity members shown presenting a check to Tom Riley. From left Vicki Thiel, Bev Watson, Mary & Tom Riley, Chute's President Barb Williamson Lori Kimball, Dallerie Neff, Cindy Stover, and Michelle Evans. Hunter Anderson photo

In March of 2018 Tom Riley began having intense pain in his neck area and began to lose strength in his right arm. The pain kept getting more intense in his neck and the arm weakness was getting dramatically worse. Doctors sent Tom to physical therapists and tried different medications to alleviate the pain symptoms and nothing worked. While a bus driver for Black Hills Special Cooperative, Tom noticed that every day when he helped Kevin and Rhonda Fuhrer's daughter Morgan into a stationary wheelchair on the bus, that Kevin or Rhonda was doing 90% of the lifting because Tom's right arm was

getting weaker and weaker. On June 1st Tom had emergency surgery to fuse two vertebrae in his neck and relieve the pressure that was compressing the nerve that controlled his right arm. Before and even after the neck fusion surgery Tom could not even lift a can of soup above his waist. Through intensive physical therapy by Kelsey Olson at Monument Health Physical Therapy and an experimental treatment called Compression Band Therapy (which is similar to lifting weights with a compressed blood pressure cuff around your bicep), Tom has regained about 40% of his arm strength back.

Tom wants to thank Chutes for Charity for helping him and his wife Mary during a difficult time in his life. Tom hopes others realize all the great works that Chutes for Charity does to help people in the Tri-State area. A person does not need to be a rodeo cowboy to receive help. Tom would like to encourage anybody who has been helped by Chutes for Charity to attempt to give back to the organization and "pay it forward". The Riley family believes it's a great organization and thanks The Fuhrer Family for submitting his name.

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**Heather Alcanter** 

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### Lady Broncs Playoff Bound

JIM TRIMBLE

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The Belle Fourche Lady Broncs basketball team eclipsed a seven point deficit with four minutes remaining to defeat a hot shooting Rapid City Christian team 53-48 in Belle Fourche. The win advances the Broncs to the SoDak 16 where the #6 Broncs will play #11 Parkston.

The Broncs jumped out to an early 5-0 lead but the Lady Comets battled back and Belle held a 9-7 lead after one quarter. Chloe Crago drove hard to get a lay-up and followed it with a banker in the lane to give the Broncs a 13-7 lead. Lady Comet senior Abby Pierce hit the first of her six three pointers for the night before Bronc senior Belle Jensen nailed a three of her own and the Broncs had a 16-10 lead. The Comets roared back with a three pointer and a conventional three pointer along with three points at the charity stripe and held a narrow 19-18 advantage going into the locker room at half.

The Broncs started out the third quarter fast as freshman Mataya Ward hit a bucket. Lady Brones junior forward Kaylin Garza then made a nice back door pass to Crago for a lay-in. Crago found Ward on a pass for a fast break hoop and the Ladies led 24-19. The Comets answered with two more three pointers to take the lead by one. Jensen and Garza hit 3-4 free tosses to give the Broncs a 27-25 lead before the Comets drilled two more treys to take a four point lead, but a Jensen steal for two followed by a top of the key three pointer sandwiched between Comet baskets and the quarter ended with Christian in the lead 35-34.

The Comets Pierce would rain in two more behind the arc to start the fourth period. Jensen swished in a pair of free throws before Pierce nailed another three and the Comets led 44-36. Garza hit a bucket in the lane and Ward hit one of two at the line and Belle cut the lead 44-39 before Christian scored off an inbound pass and they led by seven with 4 minutes left.

The Broncs trap press was able to force turnovers and shut the Comets down. Broncs sophomore Dylan Stedille and Jensen would each get two buckets off of steals. Jensen and Garza were a perfect 4-4 down the stretch and the Broncs would seal the come from behind victory 53-48 to earn a spot in the SoDak 16.

Jensen led all scorers notching 26 points. She had 3 three point baskets and was 6-7 from the charity stripe. Crago and Garza added 10 and 8 points respectively for the Ladies. Pierce led the Lady Comets with 18 points all on three pointers.

The Comets nailed 9 treys on the evening. Garza paced the Brones on the boards garnering 5 clears and Stedille had four steals.

The SoDak 16 games are played at neutral sites with the winner advancing to the State A Basketball Tournament. The Lady Broncs with tangle with the 14-6 Parkston Lady Trojans on Thursday March 4th at 4:30 MT in Kadoka.





Above: **Bella Jensen** shoots for three. She led all scorers with 26. **Chloe Crago** toward the hoop. John Skogberg *Courtesy photos*. Below: **Dylan Stedillie** bounce passes down; **Kailyn Garza** defends in the paint. - *Jamie Hockenbary Courtesy photos* 







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### **Broncs Boys Basketball Lose Final** Two, Prepare For Region

JIM TRIMBLE

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The Belle Fourche Broncs lost a pair of games last week to highly ranked teams in the A division. The Broncs traveled to St. Thomas More on Monday and were defeated 50-27 and then hosted a very tough Mobridge-Pollock squad on Friday where the Tigers prevailed over Belle by a 62-39 score.

The Broncs played the #1 seed Cavaliers tough in the first half. Both teams played tight defense as the Cavs only led 10-5 after one quarter. The second stanza was played nearly even and More went to intermission with a 21-16 edge.

As was the case in the previous meeting between the two, STM came out hot and outscored the Broncs 20-6 in the third period to take a comfortable 41-22 lead heading into the final quarter. Belle's shooting woes continued behind tough defense from the Cavaliers in the fourth quarter and More won 50-27.

Gabe Heck paced the Broncs with 9 points on three treys for the evening while Aiden Giffin added 7 points. Heck also led Belle in rebounds with 4. Ryan Wojcik had 16 points and Ben Feist 14 for More. STM ended their regular season 17-3. In the JV contest, STM came out on top of the Brones 54-38. Anthony Staley knocked in 16 for Belle and Cole Hockenbary chipped in with 8. The Broncs C team fell to More 52-34. Jordan Sandoval and Jayden Sechser led the Little Broncs with 8 points each.

The Broncs hosted their last regular season game Friday against the Tigers from Mobridge-Pollock.

The Tigers controlled the game from the onset as they led 18-7 after the first period and built the lead in second going into the lockers at halftime with a 34-19 cushion. Mobridge exploded in the third period with 22 points compared to just seven for the Broncs and was in total control 56-26 after three periods. Belle outscored the Tigers 13-6 in the fourth period for the final 62-39

Anthony Budmayr had 9 points for Belle and teammates Aiden Giffin and Ryker Audiss put in 8 points each. The Broncs end their regular season 9-11 while the Tigers finish theirs at 14-5. The Broncs will play Rapid City Christian in Rapid City on March 5th with a time yet to be determined. The Brones C team played a game against Hot Springs in Custer. The Little Broncs came away with a 54-34 victory over the Little Bison. Nate Wahlfeldt led the way for the Broncs with 16 points, while Jordan Sandoval netted 12 and Jet Jensen and JT Hahne had 9 and 8 respectively.



Blake Vissia shoots for two against the Cavaliers Jamie Hockenbary photo



Caiden Stores playing sticky defense on St. Thomas More. Jamie Hockenbary photo



Logan Goeders works for position to take a shot Jamie Hockenbary photo



Anthony Staley shooting two vs. the Tigers. John Skogberg Courtesy photo



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Wed, March 3

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Thurs, March 4th

BRONC Breakfast: Long John/Juice/Fruit/Milk Lunch: Popcorn Chicken/Beef Taco Burger/Fruit/Veggie/Milk

Mon., March 8

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

Tues., March 9

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

Wed, March 10

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



Aiden Giffen up for rebound against Mobridge. John Skogberg Courtesy photo







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Boys BB "C" Team Compete at Custer Tourney









C Team pre-game talk at Custer Tourney (inset) from left; **Jet Jensen** for "3"; **JT Hahne** gets a pass and in for 2; **Rance Bowden** up for 2; **Nolan Wahlfeldt** scoring on a fast break. Belle split a pair of games at the Tourney. *Kenita Jensen Courtesy Photos* 

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#### **Anything Left in the Barrel?** By: Doug Cole

Signatures collected, petitions notarized and submitted. The Race is On!

When the dust settled, three candidates for Mayor: Vern Bills, Randy Schmidt, and Rebecca Larson.

Five candidates for School Board filed petitions to fill three seats: Current board members Nita Justice and Tara Knapp will be joined by Lee Capp, Lori Tokely, and Greg Krajewski. Current board member Jean Helmer did not seek re-election.

In City Council elections, the filing deadline last Friday saw a flurry of activity as three of the four wards will have races.

No incumbents filed petitions.

In Ward 1, no petitions were filed. Current council member LuAnn Trudo who was appointed to finish the term vacated by Troy Shockey did not file a petition for re-election.

In Ward 2, petitions have been filed by former Mayor Clark Sowers and Derrick Erhart.

Ward 3 saw petition filings by Randy Sowers and Dean Brunner.

Ward 4 has three people seeking

the seat to replace current Ward 4 Councilman Randy Schmidt who is seeking the office of Mayor.

Candidates are Derrick Jones, Wayne Gilbert, and Betty Jo Hoffman.

Over all in city and school elections this year is seeing strong interest in the positions.

Belle Fourche is definitely on the verge of expansion, job growth, and renewed business optimism. Managing those attributes will be the challenge these candidates, if successful, will have to navigate.

I commented to the current Mayor when the Beacon began in 2018, "city government should use as a weather vane when considering any action, "How does the decision affect business and businesses in Belle Fourche?

If favorably great! If adversely, reconsider carefully before proceeding, and feel somewhat comfortable if a decision has a no affect on business.

After all, it is those businesses who collect and pay the taxes that are used in funding the obligations of the city.

There is a tale about an elderly

gentleman who used to run an antique and second hand store. Like many of those type of establishments he had a wide selection of goods from the common items to quite valuable antiques

Seems one day a big city dude wandered into the mart and began the search for hidden treasures.

He didn't find anything that fit his particular needs or any of those "rare finds" you see on the TV shows, save one thing.

The fellow was an expert on antique glassware and dishes. As he was preparing to exit he noticed a saucer that was one of a set relating back to Louis the XIV in France.

That priceless antique was on the floor with a kitten lapping cream off of the saucer.

The dude not wanting to seem to anxious said to the store proprietor, "Say, you wouldn't want to sell that kitten would you?"

"I guess I could. Would \$5 be to much?" he replied.

No I'll take it. You wouldn't want to sell the saucer with it would you?"

No I can't do that, it's far too valuable. I've used it to sell 139 cats counting this kitten."

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A few more State Abbreviation game names: Hittor, Miss., Farmerina, Del., Praise, Ala., Deathly, Ill., Apples, Ida., Squee, Mich., Paderoffs, KY., and Turge, Nev., Goodness, ME., Scrawn, Ne., Meow, MI, Donya, Wis.,

Noahs, Ark., and Donaskmi, WY.

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### Belle Silver Linings Senior Center Weekly Menu

March 4th
Chili
Corn Bread
Salad
Pineapple

March 5th
Tuna Noodle
Peas
Garden Salad
Buttermilk roll

March 6th
Pulled Pork
Sandwich
Sweet Potato Fries
Green Beans
Orange Fluff

March 7th
Taco Salad w/Lettuce,Tomato,Sour
Cream
Chuck Wagon Corn
Potato Ole's

March 8th BBQ Chicken Roasted Potatoes Mixed Veggies Frog Eye Salad

March 9th
Hamburger on
a Bun w/ Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle
French Fries
Green Beans
Fruit Salad

March 10th
Spaghetti
Corn
Salad
French Bread
Ice Cream

#### Belle Fourche Volunteer Fire Department Annual Banquet & Awards





(Top) Firefighter of the year Jerod Lutter and wife Hallie. (Above) Rookie of the Year Zane Adolph





(Top) The Truck of the Year, Company #2. (Above) Lifetime member award/acknowledgement. Any active member with over 5 years of service was recognized. From left: James Moross, Aaron Thramer, Andy Anderson, Don Ward, PJ Sloan, Ryan Reeves, Ted Jeitz, Jim Groseclose, Nick Loper, Cory Carmichael, and Jerod Lutter. - Courtesy Photos



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#### Cattle Report - Friday, February 26, 2021

RIght at 3000 Hd Today Yearlings Were Fully Steady Even With Futures Lower Weigh Up Cows & Bulls Were Steady With Last Week

Next Sale - March 5th - Bred Cow & Hefier Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle - 9 AM Thank You For Marketing With St. Onge Livestock!

Feed	er	Catt	<u>le</u>
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Feeder Cattle			
Powell, Stanley, Biddle MT	65 BlkS	Str 666.	\$158.00
Powell, Stanley, Biddle MT	17 BlkS	Str 562.	\$179.00
Brown, Steve, Sturgis SD			
Brown, Steve, Sturgis SD	99 Bbld .S	Str630.	\$165.00
Rockin B LLC, Newell SD	107	lfr578.	\$142.75
Rockin B LLC, Newell SD	90 BlkF	lfr653.	\$138.50
Rockin B LLC, Newell SD			
Carlisle, Bill, Ekalaka MT	19 Bbld .F	lfr518.	\$146.50
Carlisle, Bill, Ekalaka MT	79 BlkF	lfr582.	\$149.00
Damm Brothers Inc, Broadus MT			
Duprel, Jack, Sturgis SD			
Gaskill Jr, Andrew, Volborg MT	13 BlkF	lfr581.	\$143.00
Gaskill Jr, Andrew, Volborg MT	82 BlkF	lfr517.	\$160.50
Gotfredson Elm Creek Ranch, Newell	55 Bbld .H	lfr582.	\$143.50
Harlan, Robert, Kaycee WY	6 RrblS	Str715.	\$137.50
Harlan, Robert, Kaycee WY	23 Bbld .H	lfr703.	\$125.50
Harrison, Richard, Fruitdale SD	19 Bbld .S	Str719.	\$143.00
Harrison, Richard, Fruitdale SD	27 Bbld .S	str 609.	\$169.00
Harrison, Richard, Fruitdale SD	23 Bbld .H	lfr588.	\$143.00
Humbracht Bros, Camp Crook SD	15 Blk H	lfr574.	\$142.00
Humbracht Bros, Camp Crook SD	50 B/Ch H	lfr535.	\$147.50
Humbracht Bros, Camp Crook SD	8 B/Ch H	lfr423.	\$164.50
Humbracht Bros, Camp Crook SD	94 Char H	lfr694.	\$136.00
J & J Smeenk Ranch LLC, Newell SD	42 Bbld .S	str454.	\$194.00
J & J Smeenk Ranch LLC, Newell SD	30 BlkH	lfr428.	\$176.00
J & J Smeenk Ranch LLC, Newell SD	10 BlkH	lfr398.	\$183.00
Llb Ranch LLC, Kaycee WY	24 BlkS	str645.	\$158.00
Llb Ranch LLC, Kaycee WY	12 Bbld .H	lfr595.	\$138.00
Llb Ranch LLC, Kaycee WY			
Mackey, Dudley & Marilyn, Gillette WY			
MT Consignment			

\$187.50 ...30 .. Blk....Str. MT Consignment.... .. \$178.00 Peterson, Donald A Or Lisa, Buffalo WY 9 .... Blk.... Str. ..... \$143.00 Peterson, Donald A Or Lisa, Buffalo WY 7 .... Blk.... Hfr. . \$142.00 Rocking Horse Ranch, Wibaux MT ......8 .... Blk.... Str.. . \$159.00

Rocking Horse Ranch, Wibaux MT ......13 .. Blk....Str.....

Rocking Horse Ranch, Wibaux MT ......6 ... Blk ... Str.

Rocking Horse Ranch, Wibaux MT ......10 .. Blk ... Hfr . . \$140.00 Rocking Horse Ranch, Wibaux MT ......13 .. Blk .... Hfr ... .. 451...... \$167.00 Ross, Roderic A, Wyarno WY ..... .22 .. Blk....Str. . \$166.00 Rourke, Beau Or Megan, Gillette WY ..... 32 .. Blk .... Hfr .. . \$148.00 Rourke, Beau Or Megan, Gillette WY.....8 .... Blk.... Hfr .... . 485...... \$145.00 Russiff Lazy Pk Ranch, Olive MT .....27 .. Blk....Str. . 598. . 505..... ...9 .... Bbld .Hfr .... . 692...

Bauer, Bradley /Rhonda, Union Center .1 .... Blk.... Cow.. Bauer, Bradley /Rhonda, Union Center .1 .... Bld ... Cow... Bauer, Bradley /Rhonda, Union Center .1 .... Bld ... Hfrt ........... 1105... Geier, Marlin D Or Mary, Osage WY......39 ..........Cow.........1440 Geier, Marlin D Or Mary, Osage WY......3 .... Bbld .Cow......... 1388 Geier, Marlin D Or Mary, Osage WY......8 .... Bbld .Cow... Geier, Marlin D Or Mary, Osage WY......1 .... Blk....Cow........... 1880 Geier, Marlin D Or Mary, Osage WY......1 .... Blk....Cow.. Geier, Marlin D Or Mary, Osage WY .......22 .. B/R .. Cow ... \$75.50

Gotfredson Elm Creek Ranch, Newell ...7 .... B/R .. Cow........ 1377

Ista, Alan, Hulett WY.

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Janvrin Jr. Clair C. Ludlow SD...

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. \$171.00 Russiff Lazy Pk Ranch, Olive MT ......10 .. Blk .... Str... . \$186.00 Russiff Lazy Pk Ranch, Olive MT ......46 .. Blk ... Hfr . . \$144.00 Russiff Lazy Pk Ranch, Olive MT ......13 .. Blk.... Hfr ....... ..... \$155.00 Whitney, Jason, Newcastle WY ..... \$127.00 Wilhelm, William, Sundance WY......1 .... Blk.... Hfr ..... ..... 1080 ...... \$113.00 Weigh Up Cows 21 Ranch Inc, Sundance WY......5 .... Rrbl.. Cwette ..... 1278 . \$78.00 21 Ranch Inc, Sundance WY.......2 .... Red.. Cow......... 1367 \$71.00 Bauer, Bradley /Rhonda, Union Center .5 .... Bbld .Hfrt ........... 1044 . \$93.00 \$68.00 \$85.00 \$86.00 \$72.00 \$72.00 \$76.50 \$63.50 \$69.00

Komes, Timothy J, Sturgis SD6 HerfHfrt 1209 \$86.50
Kubacher, Jason /Bonnie, Broadus MT1 BlkCow 1180
Kubacher, Jason /Bonnie, Broadus MT1 Blk Cwette 1030 \$81.50
Lawrence, Linda, Broadus MT7 BlkCow 1317 \$68.00
Rasmussen, Dean /Maxine, C Crook4 Bbld .Cow 1538 \$68.00
Scofield, Jim, Belle Fourche SD1 BlkCow 1630 \$64.50
Sleep Ranch LLC, Spearfish SD7 BlkCow 1262 \$69.50
Sleep Ranch LLC, Spearfish SD4 BlkHfrt 1210
Sleep Ranch LLC, Spearfish SD
Smith, Earl, Union Center SD
Verhulst, Steve, Prairie City SD1 BlkCow 1545 \$68.50
Verhulst, Steve, Prairie City SD
Weigh Up Bulls
Ayer, John D Or Margaret J, Beulah WY1 BlkBull 2220 \$97.00
Rasmussen, Dean /Maxine, C Crook1 BlkBull 2160 \$100.00
Peters, Henry (Toby)Or Connie, Sturgis 1 Blk Bull 1960
Arledge Cattle Co LLC, Robert Lee TX1 BlkBull 1860 \$92.00

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April 2nd – Bred Cow & Heifer Special – Selling All Classes Of Cattle April 9th – Feeder Cattle Special Featuring Grass Cattle– Selling All **Classes Of Cattle** 

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March 26th - Wilson SimAngus Bull Sale April 2nd - Kammerer Angus & CK Bar Ranch Bull Sales May 7th - Turn-Out Bull Sale

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#### Sheep Report - Thursday, February 25, 2021

Normal Run Of Sheep Today Market Was Fairly Steady On All Classes Today

Next Sale - March 4th - Regular Sheep Sale - 1 PM

Feeder Lambs

Thank You For Your Business!

Bucklin, John, Scobey MT .... ...15....Lambs ..... ..64..... \$251.00 41 Lambs Bucklin, John, Scobey MT..... ..80..... \$239.00 Boller Mills Limited Partnership, Gillette WY ... 68 .... Lambs ...... Askin, Kirk, Broadus MT ...... ..19....Lambs .... 74 \$242.00 .96.... \$216.00 Ahart, Keegan & Jean, Nisland SD .. ..16....Lambs... Ahart, Keegan & Jean, Nisland SD .....11 .... Lambs ...... ...... 119... \$178.00 SD Consignor ... ..141..Lambs .. 101 \$241 00 SD Consignor ..52....Lambs .. ..91..... \$228.00 Johnson Sheep & Cattle LLC, Belle Fourche. 13.... Lambs ........ ......66..... \$251.00 Johnson Sheep & Cattle LLC, Belle Fourche 39..... Lambs .... .93..... \$225.00 Anders, Skylar, Rapid City SD...... ..7 ..... Lambs ... .137... \$160.00 Erickson, Delane, Sturgis SD ..... ..20....Lambs ...... .113... \$189.00 Harlan, Robert Or Lynn, Kaycee WY..... ..88....Lambs ... .92.... \$228.00 Holzwarth, Deann, Mcintosh SD...... .....15....Lambs ...... ..121... \$171.00 **Slaughter Ewes** Anders, Skylar, Rapid City SD.... ..9 ..... Ewes ..... .217.... \$117.00 Chapman, Beau, Bison SD ..... ..7..... Ewes ....... .. 190.... \$117.00 Heny, Doug, Powell WY..... ..10.... Ewes ...... .188... \$120.00 Hinnaland, Dave, Circle MT.. ..40.... Ewes ... .153... \$120.00 Hinnaland, Dave, Circle MT.. ..13.... Ewes ... .148.... \$117.00 11 .... Ewes .. Hofland, Amy, Reeder Nd ]. .180... \$120.00 Nible, Kelley Or Abbey, Buffalo SD. .132.... \$117.00 ..12.... Ewes ...

#### Nible, Kelley Or Abbey, Buffalo SD ..... ..10.... Ewes ... **NEWELL SHEEP YARDS**

#### Thursday, March 4, 2021

Regular Sheep Sale 1:00 PM

**Bred Ewes** Alredge Ranch - 400 6 Yr Old Ewes – Ramb Bucks

- Lamb 5/10 Trohkimoinen Farm - 150 3 To 5 Yr Old Ewes -Bf Bucks - 5/20 TJ Swan – 10 Purebred Targhee Yrlg Ewes –

Samm Bucks - 4/25 Plus More By Sale Time!

#### **Upcoming Sheep Sales 2021**

March 11th - Bred Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats March 18th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats March 25th - New Crop Lamb Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

Attention to all Sheep & Goat Producers, it is required that every Male & Female animal over the age of 12 months have a scrapies tag in place to sell. These tags can be obtained by the producer for FREE by calling 1-866-873-2824. If they come to the sale barn without being tagged, you will be charged \$2/hd for our vet to do them. Please call us if you have any questions.

St Onge Livestock has a receiving station for the Gillette Area. It is on Northern Drive in Gillette. Call Doug Miller at 307-660-0960 to let him know what is coming. You can unload all day every Thursday until 4 pm. You can also call Justin Tupper at 605-680-0259 & he can let them know your cattle are coming also.

We also have a receiving station at the Broadus Yards, Broadus, MT. You can drop your cattle off every Thursday from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. For more information, call Brandy Escott at 406-951-1666, Tyler at 406-853-5690 or Justin Tupper at 605-680-0259.

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..11... Blk.... Cow..

......5 .... Bbld .Cow........ 1302 .

...1 .... Blk.... Cwette ..... 1150.

Vern Bills. Candidate for Mayor of Belle Fourche, stopped in for a visit about the traffic light at Hwy 34 and Hwy 85.

Vern had recently visited with the local DOT official about the light and was assured that the intersection would receive a reconfiguration and a traffic light this summer, 2021.

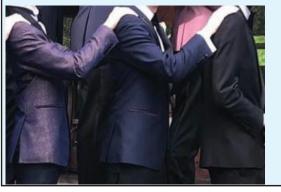
The same visit evolved to a discussion of the continuation of the sidewalk from Summit Street to Hwy 34. Vern was told that project has been placed on a DOT "wish" list, to help it happen local citizens and business owners will need to submit encouragement of the project to the Department of Transportation thru emails or written statements, to the attention of Levi Briggs, the STIP coordinator, phone 605-773-3590, or by attending the "STIP", (Statewide Transportation Improvement Program) meeting this coming July in Rapid City,

The yearly update of STIP begins in mid April. Interesting opportunities lie ahead for our town.

### TE & VERN

Paid for by Vern Bills for Mayor





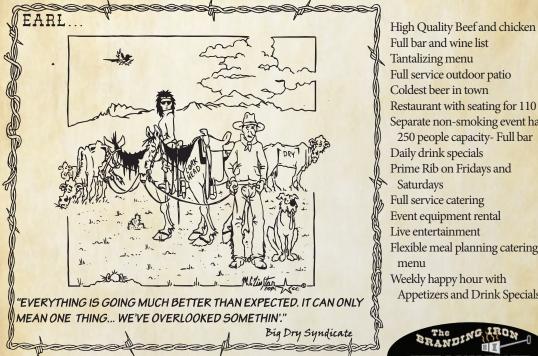
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#### **Optimism About 2021 Cheyenne Frontier Days Happening**

There's optimism about 2021 Chevenne Frontier Days happening. In the recently released 2020 Cheyenne Frontier Days report, CEO Tom Hirsig kept open the possibility of the event returning this summer after the COVID-19 pandemic canceled the event that had run for 123 consecutive summers. "We are optimistic for 2021, this will

be a year it takes the whole community to get on board to make Cheyenne Frontier Days happen," Hirsig wrote in the report. "We have challenges but our organization and our community have a cowboy spirit that will never be defeated. We are looking forward to a great 125th celebration honoring the legendary Chris LeDoux."

Meanwhile Denver must delay some of its plans to renovate and expand the National Western Center campus as it wades through the financial troubles brought on by the coronavirus pandemic, the Denver Post reported recently. City officials plan to use \$274 million in bonds – yet to be approved by the City Council - for longplanned early-phase upgrades and expansions to the National Western Center and the Colorado Convention Center. But later phases at the National

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### The Good Stuff

by Jim Thompson



Jim Thompson takes motivational stories that listeners and readers send him and incorporates them into the program. It has been on the air for more than 10 years.



As you know if you spend anytime listening to me or reading this column, one of my favorite poets in Robert Service. The significance of this poem today is that it comes from a collection from the early 1950s, yet it is totally current in its meaning:

#### The Battle of the Bulge by Robert W. Service

This year an ocean trip I took, and as I am a Scot And like to get my money's worth I never missed a meal. In spite of Neptune's nastiness I ate an awful lot, Yet felt as fit as if we sailed upon an even keel. But now that I am home again I'm stricken with disgust; How many pounds of fat I've gained I'd rather not divulge: Well, anyway, I mean to take this tummy down or bust, So here I'm suet-strafing in the

Battle of the Bulge.

No more will sausage, bacon, eggs provide my breakfast fare; On lobster I will never lunch, with mounds of mayonnaise. At tea I'll Spartanly eschew the chocolate éclair; Roast duckling and pêche melba shall not consummate my

No more nocturnal ice-box raids, midnight spaghetti feeds; On slabs of pâté de foie gras I vow I won't indulge: Let bran and cottage cheese suffice my gastronomic needs, And lettuce be my ally in the

Battle of the Bulge.

To hell with you, ignoble paunch, abhorrent in my sight! I gaze at your rotundity, and savage is my frown. I'll rub you and I'll scrub you and I'll drub you day and night, But by the gods of symmetry I swear I'll get you down. Your smooth and smug convexity, by heck! I will subdue, And when you tucker in again with joy will I refulge; No longer of my toes will you obstruct my downward view ... With might and main I'll fight to gain the

Battle of the Bulge.

#### Wisdom From Out West!

2021

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



#### We Got Snow! Wow!

Okay, maybe not wow. But some people seem to be pretty excited about it.

I guess if your a skier or don't have to deal with it all day long, or a kid .... but then I repeat myself.... you might get excited about snow. I don't mind it. What we have won't stick around too long and it will help settle the dust. It will soften up the grass my cows are grazing. It makes every thing pretty again.

If I was feeding hay with a team, and could use a bobsled to do so, I probably would like it better. I really enjoyed feeding with a bobsled. The way the sled just slipped so easily over the snow and so quiet! All you heard was the soft clip clop of the horses feet and the sleigh bells ringing. ( I always had sleigh bells on my team. An old rancher wrote one time, just the sound of them helped warm the temps up 10 or 20 degrees and I found out he was right!)

Of course, where I live, we seldom got to use a bobsled much. Too windy. It usually blew the snow into drifts and bare on the flats... so you seldom had good enough snow to pull a sled, every where you needed to go. I do remember one winter that was pretty snowy, cold and tough. I fed with a bobsled every day for 90 days. Seems like winter started at Thanksgiving with lots of snow and wind and kept it up all winter until mid April. (As I wrote that last line I saw that it came up as MUD April... yeah, pretty much!) I miss feeding with a team. Sure these

tractors and pickups have cabs and heaters, but when you were young, you never noticed the cold so much and you just put on enough layers that it didn't bother as much. And I only had to drive about a mile, at the farthest, to get to the hay stacks and cattle. The only place I couldn't get warm or protect were my cheek bones. Can't even get whiskers to grow on there, always wished I had one of them helmets like the Astronauts used..... but then my team probably would have run off from fear!

Another advantage to a team, was in the spring I was in awful good shape. At first from pitching hay and even after I started feeding big round bales and made a bale wagon. I still had to get off and on the wagon to load each bale and run two winches. It helped to keep you warm. My only complaint was I needed suspenders in the spring as my pants were pretty loose fitting, especially after I switched from long handles to brief underwear!

Well, I suppose by the time you read this, most of this snow will be gone. But South Dakota being South Dakota, I am betting there will be more before May 15th!

Keep your snow shovel handy!







### Mick B. Harrison's Artists License

...and other wonderments.

Sometimes the most successful and colorful paintings are the ones that make use of only a few colors. You know, the ones that bring certain words to mind like Wowl! Exciting! Eeeha! Well, maybe not that last one but you get the drift.

My palette consists of five to six colors plus white on any given day so when I set out to do a painting like this one with only a few colors, the challenge is on. Sticking with my favorite subject of anything western, my plan of action includes a color pencil sketch to establish the layout and color scheme. From there it's just careful color mixing of shades and values playing off the limited palette and voila! A successful painting, right? Well, maybe, maybe not. I've had my share of failures but perseverance pays. Satisfaction when you're successful!

The model I used for the 1920s/30s drover in this piece is a young South Dakota fella who was actually riding a Paint. The wonders of artist's license.

#### **Kicking Up Some Dust**

20"x44" oil Color pencil sketch study





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#### **Capitol News**



KAREN ODELL news@bellefourchebeacon.com

After chores on Monday, Ronda Cordell went to the Ekalaka clinic for a checkup on her ears. She picked up a bearing for Clint Zolnoski's feeding pickup, ate lunch at the Wagon Wheel and visited a bit. Diane Wear came to Ronda's after work on Wednesday to stay with the dogs so Ronda could go to Rapid City for a Thursday dental appointment. With the snowy conditions, she didn't want to brave the roads in the early morning, so she went that afternoon. She stopped at Lynn's Dakota Mart in Belle Fourche for a carry-in supper for Jon Hamilton, Cristen and Jayda Westling. She stayed overnight with them. On Friday morning, Ronda went up to the Bergstrom place to meet the gentleman from Kitchen Designs who was delivering cabinets for the mobile home. Later that day, Clint stopped by to pick up their IRS forms that Ronda had brought from Belle Fourche on Wednesday. Gene, Kim, Brayden, and Josie Secrest helped Clint, Denise, Darby and Abby move the coming 2's partway home on Saturday from over west of the Belltower Hill. It got to be quite chilly before the job was finished, with fog and squalls of snow pellets. On Sunday Denise informed Ronda of the Little Missouri Lutheran Church's pancake and sausage supper to be held in Camp Crook at the community center that evening. The members were raising funds for an indoor bathroom for that church.

Dick and Erma Albert made a trip to the Air Base in Rapid City on Monday. They had a tax appointment there. They came directly home without stopping anywhere. On Friday, they went to Senior Citizens' dinner. Bobbie had chicken, and tuna casserole for those who wanted fish. They played cards after the dinner. On Sunday, they

went to church at the Catholic Church, and stayed for lunch there. Erma had made biscuits and gravy for the meal, and there was also some elk meat and sausage breakfast casserole. After lunch they stayed for Bible Study.

Pete Anderson and his mother, Dixie Garr, went to Camp Crook on Sunday evening for the Little Missouri Pancake Supper. He and Fladgards have no telephone service, and when he tried to report the outage, he ended up with some foreign person, who was unable to even understand what he was saying. I hope the food made the day

brighter. Rod Bisgaard came out to visit at Alvin Cordell's this week. He stayed until Saturday. On Wednesday, when Alvin went to the Yates place, he found mountain lion tracks in the snow. Ryan Cordell and Denin Cheguis took the lion dogs up there, but by then the snow was melted, and they had no luck in finding the lion. Cory Cheguis came out to spend the weekend with his brother Denin. Alvin and Marlee went in to Camp Crook and had supper with Terry and Laurie Goehring at the Over the Edge.

Lynn Gustafson spent time this week getting ready for the Little Missouri pancake supper. Ivan and Jane Teigen went to the Little Missouri pancake supper in Camp Crook on Sunday evening, too.

Julia Davis went to work on Tuesday, and came home with the flu. It was just the regular flu and not Covid, but she shared it with Doug, too. Doug still had to go out to chop ice for the cows to drink, and he was getting hungry again on Sunday. He found a few snacks and some grapes for supper, but Julia was getting hungry then too, so maybe she got the

Kyra and Marion Kerr came out to the ranch to spend the weekend with Justin. Krista Huntley attended a horse clinic in Buffalo, WY. On Sunday, Eve Grimes came out to the ranch for a visit, and to have dinner with them. Justin was glad that the weather had warmed up, but even in the colder weather he could be happy, because there were no mosquitoes. On Sunday, Justin had supper in Ekalaka.

Donna Lewis had a quiet week. She went to Baker, on Saturday, to pick up her chemo pills for the next few weeks. The Fallon County paper had an article and picture of her granddaughter and her friend Sophia who placed third and first in the first state girls wrestling

tournament. Junior and Shirley Melum had some company this week. On Friday, Charlie and Karen Odell were invited to have dinner with them. Ernie, Rachel and Tommy Melum came for dinner, too, and they all had a good visit. Charlie had gotten the sad news that his Uncle Maurice Overn had passed away that morning, and the group spent time telling many stories about Maurice.

Dorothy Padden has kept an eye on calving heifers. Brandon and Ashley went to the state wrestling tournament in Rapid City. Brenton had gotten to go to the tournament. They learned that the interstate was closed when they were ready to come home, so they had to spend another night in Rapid City and come home on Sunday. Bryce and Dawn had been holding down the fort at their place, with the new batch of heifers calving, but the week went well.

Charlie Odell went to Buffalo for cattle cake and salt on Monday. On Thursday, he visited Maurice Overn at the hospital in Spearfish. Early on Friday, they called to say Maurice had passed away. He was a World War II veteran and had been the highest ranking surviving officer in his division when they carried him off the battlefield on a stretcher. He would have been 99 on June 6.

On Sunday, Charlie and Karen went to church at Gomer Congregational Church on You-Tube. The Methodist Church had to cancel services, because the interstate had been closed, and the minister could not get here. That evening they went to the Little Missouri pancake supper at the community center in Camp Crook.

As you know, an honorable or noble person is one who does the right thing; even when the right thing is ridiculed and unpopular. Hope you will explain this to a child; who is more likely to understand than those adults who have closed their minds to reason. Happy Saint David's Day.

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'We provide reduced tuition of \$250 to our active duty veterans. With the federal aid they receive, the BHSU reduced rate for veterans covers their tuition cost. This is especially helpful cost-wise for airmen who are pursuing their Associate's degree through the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF). They can take general education classes at BHSU through the General Education Mobile (GEM) program and get them paid for," Krajewski noted.

BHSU has a Veterans Club which works to support veteran students and their families while also engaging with military celebrations and issues in the community. Krajewski meets with student veterans at both BHSU locations in Spearfish and in Rapid City. Each of the BHSU locations has a dedicated Veterans Center with computer and printing access, as well as the comradery of connecting with fellow veterans.

"Being named to the Gold

designation as a Military Friendly institution is great news for our university and it's even better news for our students. This shows BHSU has a vested interest in making sure veteran and dependents not only feel comfortable at BHSU but are getting a world class education with unlimited opportunities," Krajewski said.

Many student veterans and veteran dependents transfer to BHSU with credits from another college or are resuming higher education at BHSU after a long hiatus. BHSU supports these students, along with first-time college students, with academic tutoring, student health, and counseling services as needed.

"Currently, the most popular BHSU academic programs among student veterans are the online Business Administration degrees and the highly-marketable accounting degree. Krajewski says the Master's program in Strategic Leadership and the Bachelor's in Applied Science in Leadership are just a few of the many programs at BHSU especially applicable to veterans.

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Laney Mackaben

Belle Fourche Ag Ed & FFA Officer Spotlight: Laney Mackaben 2020-2021

Vice President. Laney has just been announced as a South Dakota State "Star Farmer Finalist." So exciting!!! We asked Laney to tell us about her experience in FFA and why she has dedicated the last 4 years to the FFA program. Take the time to read her experience. This young, beautiful lady is quite impressive.

"I am Laney Mackaben currently serving as BFHS chapter Vice President. I am a senior

at BFHS after finishing high school I plan to attend NDSU to major in animal science while minoring in biomedical science. My family and I ranch where we raise commercial beef cattle, sheep, and small forage and grain crops. I have been in FFA for four years. Some of my greatest accomplishments include making it to the national Envirothon, becoming a state star greenhand, being 2nd place state beef entrepreneur, becoming a district star finalist in both agribusiness and farmer, later becoming a state star farmer finalist, and placing in the top ten in employment skills at the state contest. The offices I have held include chapter president, chapter reporter for two years, and district 5 treasure. For me, FFA has embraced multiple opportunities for me to excel in a field I am very passionate about. I have been able to associate my love and experience in the agricultural industry to help better my leadership and personal development. FFA is an awesome organization to learn several aspects of agriculture but also help hone leadership qualities and opportunities. Please reach out with any questions!





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### Believe It. I Saw Him Kissing Ewe!



As a part of National FFA Week the local chapter had a Food Drive to decide the lucky winner of the new tradition of "Kiss a Lamb". Acivities Director Adam Nowowiejski won the FFA Clubs Contest and to the enjoyment of everyone had the privilege of kissing the lamb. Courtesy photo

#### FFA 2020-2021 President

Hi, I am Bryton Oedekoven, your 2020-2021 Belle Fourche High School FFA President. I have been involved in agriculture my entire life and highly enjoy being a part of the FFA program. I grew up in Recluse, WY, and moved here my sophomore year of high school It has been a great change bringing me great opportunities and leading me into a career of auctioneering. I plan to go and further my education at Mitchell Tech their Power Line, Construction, and Maintenance Program. I have a sister Brandi, and my wonderful parents, Jason and Maureen that back me through everything. I am very proud to be a part of this great FFA



**Bryton Oedekoven** program and wish everyone a happy FFA week!

#### **BF Middle School Theater Presents "Butler"**

The Belle Fourche MS Theater Department proudly presents, "Butler", a comedy in three acts. This show is a classic murder mystery with a variety

few extra Butlers to add to the suspense. The cast and crew of 59 sixth through eighth graders will perform two nights, March 12th and 13th, at 7 PM at the Belle Fourche Rec Center Theater. Adult tickets are \$5 and children are \$3. Directors are Reva Potter & Rachel Johnson

#### FFA 2020-2021 Parliamentarian



Morgan Mackaben

National FFA Organization Week Officer Spotlight: Morgan Mackaben: 2020 - 2021 Parliamentarian.

I am Morgan Mackaben, daughter of Chad and Shawnie Mackaben. I live in Belle Fourche, South Dakota, and have been in FFA for 3 years. I enjoy the life skills you can learn from Belle Fourche Ag Ed & FFA. I also enjoy bus rides to

competitions with the other FFA members. I have participated in the Prepared public speaking, creed speaking, and parliamentary procedure LDE's. My favorite CDE is Range Judging. However, I have also participated I Livestock judging, food science, and currently agriculture business management, and agronomy. This year I receive my 'Star Greenhand Degree;'

I also have my 'Discovery and Greenhand Degree'. Also this year I became a National Qualifier in 'Prepared Public Speaking,' and will compete in October of 2021 in Indianapolis, Indiana for my SAE (Supervised Agriculture Experience). I have a small sheep herd where I experiment with double cropping and rotational grazing. During my free time, I help on the family ranch. My favorite seasons are branding, lambing, ad calving season. I would like to thank everyone who has helped me with my achievements. Happy FFA week!!



Many of the Middle School Theater cast & crew members onstage during rehearsal for "Butler" in the Belle Fourche Rec Center Theater. Courtesy Photo

#### FFA 2020-2021 Chapter Secretary

My name is Reese McKenna and I am currently serving as your Belle Fourche Ag Ed & FFA Chapter Secretary. This is my third year of FFA.

In my high school career, I have competed in Creed Speaking, Horse Evaluation, and Parliamentary Procedure. The office I have previously held was Sophomore Vice President.

I decided to join FFA because I wanted to build confidence in my speaking skills. I think FFA is a great opportunity to meet new friends and build on leadership traits that are important! Don't be afraid to try new



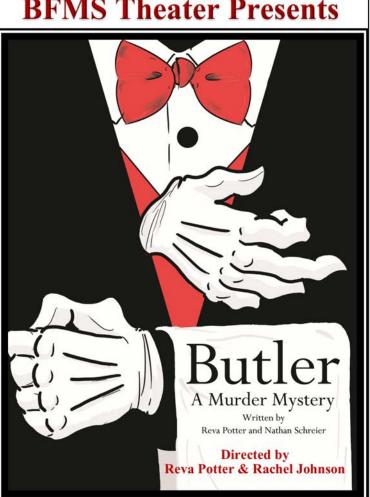
Reese McKenna





Sixth grade actors (above top) Elsie Adams, Madyson Carson, and Denali Biegert "gossip" in a scene; household members and guests gather for a party; one of the maids (Lily Tippmann) and Detective Harriet (Aleyah Carbajal) share information (in the foreground). Courtesy Photos





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### **Looking Back in Belle**

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

124 years ago Northwest Times Mar 6, 1897

Meeting of Town Board Minutes of previous read and approved. The sidewalk ordinance was not decided upon, but steps will be taken to provide sidewalks in the resident portion of town. The following bids were allowed and ordered paid: H. W. Andrews salary for Feb claimed \$36.25 allowed \$20.00 F. A. Durst, water contract \$109.00 E. M. Mitchell, Clerk

Echoes From Vale The scholars of district No. 2 have entered a complaint against two "billy" goats that belong somewhere in this vicinity. On last Monday they tok forcible permission of the school and so frightened the "kids" that they have not got over it yet. In consequence the attendence this has been very small.

100 years ago Belle Fourche Bee Mar 3, 1921 Germany's Offer Is Rejected

Allies Demand Fifty-six Billion Germans Off Seven Billion – Gun Move To Frontier London, March 1 – Germany through her delegates, at the conference with the allies, has made reparation offers of approximately 30,000,000,000 gold marks,

or about \$7,500,000,000. The demands of the allies total \$56,000,000,000. It is understood outside of the conference that after Dr. Simons, the German foreign minister had finished his statement on reparations to the conferees, Lloyd George, replied that unless the Germans had something more to offer than what appeared in Dr. Simons' statement there was no need of continuing the conference. Lloyd George said: "If the written proposals are of the same character as the explanations of them it isn't worth while for us to read them. You have a complete lack of comprehension of the position of the allies and your own position. We will discuss among

to you tomorrow at 11 o'clock." Coyotes Getting Scarce From the way the people in Butte county have been killing coyotes lately it looks much like this animal is going to be scarce in this section of the country. During the months of January and February the county auditor's office received 140 scalps and hides of coyotes. These were presented for payment of

ourselves our reply and give it

being the amount paid by the county and 2 by the state – a total of \$7 for each animal. It is a paying proposition now days to kill the coyote which has caused a great loss to the stockmen in Butte county, as well as in other counties. If the stockmen keep up the present rate of killing coyotes it will only be a short time until this animal will be extinct.

75 years ago Belle Fourche Bee Feb 28, 1946 Sgt. Frank Killed In Action Mrs. Fred Bevans received word from her cousin, Mrs. Nellie Hartwick, residing at El Cerito, California, that the latter had been advised by the war department that her brother, S/ Sgt. Frank Forde, has been officially declared killed in action, after being missing in action since February 13 of last year. He was considered as going

New Plymouth Cars On Display March 2 The new line of Plymouth cars will be on display at the Butte County Motors garage and by the S & S Auto Sales

down in a plane, on which he served as gunner, over Maribor,

Yugoslavia.

at Snyder's Standard Service Station, Saturday of this week, March 2nd, as announced by these firms elsewhere in this issue. The S & S Auto Sales will also have on display the new 1946 DeSoto cars. The general sales manager at Detroit, Michigan, has this to say about the new Plymouth: "The new Plymouth cars embody more improvements than found in most pre-war yearly model changes. The new improvements are manifest in both appearance and engineering advancements, particular attention having been given to new safety features."

> 50 years ago Belle Fourche Bee Mar 5, 1971

The Mobil Oil Bulk Plant The Mobil bulk plant which for 28 years had been part of the scene on Round-up road Street just of Fifth Avenue, is now in operation at the new location about one-half mile northwest of Belle Fourche on highway 212, it was announced yesterday by Tommy Truman, local agent. The new facility includes an all metal storage building and office, five upright tanks in a nest to the northwest of the



by Mary Buchholz

lot on Fifth Avenue almost completes the change that has taken place there in the past year. The area once housed The Daily Post and Belle Fourche Bee plant and office, the Mobil Oil plant, and a storage building, and the Rail Body Shop in one of the old buildings. Today the area include the new Dale's 66 service station, and new Rail Body Shop building. The old storage building remains on the east end of the lot, as does the emply Mobil Oil building, but the gasoline storage tanks have been moved.

Stockgrowers Open Quarterly Meet Today What's going on at Pierre will probably be the subject of most of the conversation in Belle Fourche this weekend when the South Dakota Stockgrowers Association gathers for its quarterly meeting. All sessions will be held at Mas's Lounge and Restaurant. The general business session will get underway at 1pm. Jerry Houck, Pierre, association legislative chairman, President Tom Landers, Hot Springs and Jack McCullock, executive secretary, will be on hand to report on the many bills before the legislature which affect the association. Wool Growers Here Saturday

Wool growers who would like to know about the expected wool prices, the market for 1971, the association's program for marketing wool, and why and how wool is graded would do well to attend the special program planned for the 50th annual meeting of the South Dakota Wool Growers Association in Belle Fourche Saturday, said Fred Holscher, Faulkton, president of the wool marketing organization. Among speakers on the program will be Jim Hicks of Buffalo, Wyo., a popular columnist for the Wool Sack, the association's publication. Carl Nadazdy, senior advisor of the North Central Wool Marketing Association, and associated for many years with South Dakota Wool Growers will talk about 50 years of progress in the wool industry and about



The new 1946 Plymouth automobiles went on display 75 years ago this week in Belle Fourche.

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**HS Girls Basketball** SoDak 16 Mar. 4 Thurs. 4:30pm Belle Fourche vs Parkston

at Kadoka **Baseball Signups** 

Belle Fourche Rec Center 1111 National Street **HS Boys Basketball** Region 8 Playoffs Mar. 5th Friday 7pm Belle Fourche at RC Christian First Saturday Brunch

"Crook City -It's History and Artifacts" Sat.. Mar. 6 10 - 11:30am Tri-State Museum Attendance capped at 36

Mar. 4th Thurs. 5:30 - 7:00PM

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**Runnings Blood Donation** Sat. Mar. 6th 9am - 4pm Runnings Parking Lot Belle Fourche

**Meals Program Ongoing** 11:30am - 12:00 pm

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ock Community Players' production, "Charlie's Aunt" bursts onto the stage, March 5, 6, 7.

This hilarious comedy has been the toast of Broadway for many years.

It's first performance was in 1892 at the Royalty Theatre, London. The fast paced action is set on the Yale Campus. College students and a plot full of twists and turns makes for a delightful evening of laughs and hilarious entertainment. Charlie's Aunt is the 18th consecutive play performed by the Bullock Community Players.

The volunteer cast are from a wide array of occupations:

tant, a forest ranger and a banker. The crew is also volunteer, each bringing unique talent and creativity to the production.

'Tonight at Bullock" returns with it's featured dance troupe, the Trashcan Kids. This lively group is working on a whole new routine that is even more spectacular than the routines that made them famous. They range in ages 5 to 11 years old, and hail from area ranches and the town of Buffalo.

Advance tickets will be available starting at Pioneer Bank and Trust in Buffalo, SD or Dakota Community Bank in Bowman, ND. Tickets will be

The production will be presented Friday, March 5th at 7:00 p.m., Saturday March 6th at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday March 7th at 2:00 p.m.

Directions are on Google maps at 10930 Ladner Rd., Buffalo, SD 57720.

For additional help in finding the Hall, call 605-797-4484 or 605-375-3171. Signs have been posted at all incoming intersections.

For an evening of total entertainment, pack up the family and drive to the Bullock Community Center for "Charlie's Aunt", you will not be disappointed!



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Kenzlee and Kruze Bail front and Hailey and Emma Richter back are rehearsing for this weekends Trashcan Kids performances at the Bullock Community Theater-Courtesy photo

"Building Main Street, not Wall Street"

by John Newby

#### Truly-Local Community Facts, Figures & Logic

one million dollars

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es and chains will

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Elon Musk recently said, "Failure is an option here. If things are not failing, you are not innovating enough". This rings true in so many things we do in life, transforming a community certainly among them. This column will continue to

stress the need for your community to rapidly create a Truly-Local Community mentality. Being truly-local isn't just a nice thing to do, it is critical for the survival of your community. In the end, it comes down to facts, figures and logic. Many of the numbers and comments used in this week's column, you may have seen before, but at the risk of repeating myself, I would like to discuss them as a sum total to drive home the importance of growing your Truly-Local DNA. Here are a few of the common reasons for your community to adopt a hyper local mentality.

Numerous studies over the years show dollars spent with locally owned and operated businesses recirculate throughout your community between three and seven times. This is compared to those same dollars being spent with big boxes and national chains, which circulate just once. Using a 10% sales tax as only an example,

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John Newby

communities. Additional studies show owners of locally owned and operated businesses support local causes, organizations and charities by approximately a three-to-one margin over businesses with outside the community ownership. The foundations of many communities are often built through active volunteerism, non-profit organizations and civic groups. This is a necessary and vital component to thriving communities.

Owners and managers of locally-owned and operated businesses are four times more likely to be involved in leadership, politics, Chambers, Main Street and Economic Development organizations in their communities than owners and managers of out-of-town owned businesses

A recent study indicated a community's poverty rate is directly linked to the percentage of prosperous locally owned and operated businesses. The more local innovation, creativity and entrepreneurs there are,

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coupled with active support of such by the various community's government entities, the greater expectation for an increase in the average household income. Put another way, the greater percentage of your retail dollars taking place with out-oftown business owners within a smaller or midsized community, the higher the poverty rate will be expected to be.

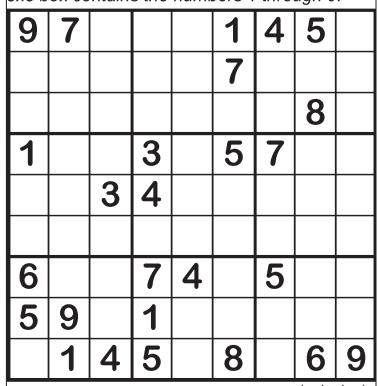
Where a community invests their dollars is vital. There is no better investment in vour community than revitalizing a community's downtown district. Tax dollars as well as private investment into your downtown district will bring an average of approximately 30% higher return than an investment in other parts of the city. Communities neglecting to restore their downtown district to greatness risks damage to the entire community. There is no greater ROI than restoring the heart and soul to your community through downtown revitalization.

Want to grow the real estate values in and around your downtowns? It has been shown that by returning the vibrancy, heart and soul of your community to the downtown, you can also expect to see an increase in surrounding real estate values as well. Not only does this create renewed pride in the community, it grows the real estate ad valorem tax base, which benefits the school as well as the entire community. I should point out, improvements anywhere in your community benefit the community, but the greatest return is in your central or downtown area.

As we indicated in previous

### Sudoku

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



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Enigma cryptograms are created from quotations and proverbs from around the world. Each letter stands for another letter. Hint: "F" = "E

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "A fellow who says he has never told a lie has just told one." - Anonymous

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#### Puzzle Answers on C4

columns, it isn't that out-oftown owned business are bad, that isn't the case at all. The devil is always in the details, or in this case, the devil is in the balance. Cities finding ways to balance the growth of the Big Box or Chain segment of the community ALONG with the growth and support of the Truly Local business segment will find an economic balance that leads to great prosperity. True balance is achieved by understanding. Communities must understand and realize that Big Box and Chains are only a fraction of the foundation from which to build. There is nothing more powerful than a "Truly-Local Community" knowing

what it takes to succeed and bring true vibrancy to your community. Additionally, in addition to balance, it is also about building and creating uniqueness in your community, something that only a Truly-Local concentration can create. Uniqueness will also become vital in the new and emerging economics of your community.

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John A. Newby, author of the "Building Main Street, Not Wall Street "column dedicated to assisting communities and local media companies combine synergies that allow them to not just survive, but thrive in a world where truly-local is lost to Amazon, Wall Street chains and others. His email at: john@ 360MediaAlliance.net.

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Ken Rohrer, Volborg MT	58	Black-Str Pc	767	139.75
Gary Loder, Bowman ND				
	17	Rd/Blk-Str Pc	651	148.00
	50	Rd/Blk-Hfr Pc	714	129.25
George & Jean Etchemendy, Douglas, WY				
Clint Stinson, Miles City MT	93	Black-Hfr Pc	544	161.00
	8	Black-Hfr Pc	435	173.00
J & J Livestock, Ekalaka MT				
Joe Or Jane Burke, Newell SD				
C & N Livestock, Alva WY	87	Black-Hfr Pc Bv	575	151.00
Arcadia Llc, Sturgis SD	95	Black-Hfr Pc	498	167.75
	95	Black-Hfr Pc	496	166.00
Kyle & Shelly West, Oshoto WY	44	Black-Str Pc	552	180.75
Kyle & Shelly West, Oshoto WY	8	Black-Str Pc	432	178.50
	46	Black-Hfr Pc	531	158.00
Kudlock Ranch Llc, Belle Fourche SD	45	Blk/Bwf-Str Pc	612	168.75
	10	Blk/Bwf-Str Pc	568	173.00
	28	Blk/Bwf-Hfr Pc Bv	639	135.00
X Heart Ranch Inc, Aladdin WY	15	Blk/Bwf-Hfr Pc Bv	604	148.00
Curren Ranch, Aladdin WY	38	Red-Hfr Pc Bv	524	158.50
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Ed Lawrence, Alzada MT	35	Blk/Bwf-Hfr Pc Bv	551	157.50
	10	Herf-Str Pc	599	153.00
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	10	Herf-Hfr Pc Bv	630	152.50
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Brad & Monica Anderson, Deer Lodge MT				
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Peltier Living Trust-WY

4 blk bred hfrs bred blk, calve 4/11 for 10 days, poured

Kathy Larsen-WY 32 blk mxd age cows bred to Jorgensen Ibw blk bulls, calve 4/15

**Donnie Vito-WY** 

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#### Shaine's Riddle of the Week



Three doctors said that Bill was their brother. Bill says he has no brothers. How many brothers does Bill actually have?

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#### **Governor Noem Signs Legislation to Simplify Youth Hunting and Fishing**

PIERRE, S.D. – Yesterday, Governor Kristi Noem signed House Bill 1034, which simplifies SOUTH DAKOTA youth hunting and fishing requirements in South Dakota.

'2020 was a tremendous year for youth hunting and fishing in South Dakota, and we're building on that for the future," said Governor Kristi Noem. "The goal of this legislation is to get more young people involved in our outdoor way of life at an early age so they continue those experiences long into their adulthood

House Bill 1034: Provides consistent age requirements across all youth licenses for those under the age of

nonresident youth to fish without a license;

Allows nonresident youth age 15 and under to participate in

Allows resident and

the mentored hunting program with a resident sponsor; Clarifies small game license and deer license requirements for

In 2020, South Dakota saw increases in youth and first-time hunters. The state also sold a record number of licenses for youth-mentored hunting. And South Dakota saw increases in youth combo licenses as well as resident and nonresident fishing licenses.

Newell Ambulance

# Commitment and Rewards are Great

**COLLEEN BRUNNER** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL – The Newell ambulance service held an informational meeting on Monday, February 22, in an effort to spark interest in gaining new crewmembers. The group, under the guidance of Director Sherry Hocking, met with six

potential candidates to discuss the requirements, and the rewards of service as a basic EMT

for the local community.

Those gathered were mostly interested in filling out the application and getting the process started. Hocking said she was interested in starting the classes on March 22. They would be held each Monday and Thursday night from 7 to 10 p.m., as well as four Saturdays through July. The practicals class would be held on July 10.

Following that the new members would need to be of service to the department for the following year, attending meetings and making runs when on call. All classes will be face-to-face and class size will be limited to 6-8 new candidates. Nellie Isaacson of Sturgis will be the instructor.

Normally each new EMT candidate would need to run several times with a service outside of the Newell department and also serve 10 hours of ER service at the local hospital. Those two requirements are currently waived due to Covid.

To be eligible a candidate must be at least 18 years old and be able to lift at least 90 pounds. They must also be able to pay, or make payments on, the \$350 tuition for the class If they remain in service to the department for one year and make regular runs as well as attend meetings, all but \$50 of the fee will be reimbursed.

Once they have completed the class they will be certified in South Dakota and if they complete the 20-hour per year requirement for the state and 40-hour per year requirement for national certification they would be able to serve as a Basic EMT anywhere in the U.S.

Newell members do get paid \$13.66 per hour and at the end of the year would receive a \$20 per run bonus. Average time spent on a call is 2 to 2.5 hours. All time spent in the class would be donated. The department had 175 calls last year (2020).

Isaacson said, "I would be willing to do makeup classes should someone have something come up and not be able to make a class." State requirements only allow three missed classes that are not made up.

Ambulance C2

#### "The Voice of Newell" ———





(Left) Neil Vollmer is shown with the plaque he received from the Newell school district for his 35 years of service as "The Voice of Newell.". - Brunner photo (Right) Neil Vollmer is shown following the presentation of an award for 35 years of service as announcer for the Newell Irrigators with his granddaughters Rachel and Emily Ochoki. - Courtesy photo

### After 800 Games Neil Vollmer Hangs up the Mic

**COLLEEN BRUNNER** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL – After 800 games, sitting behind the scorer's table, Neil Vollmer has called it quits. Actually, he did that after

the school year ended in 2020.

This past week the school recognized Vollmer, who was in the insurance business and "moonlighted" as a clock-runner and announcer for the Newell Irrigators, and other local teams, for their basketball seasons since 1985.

"Ed Wegner was the AD (activities director) then and the person scheduling people to work in different areas. He asked me and I said yes," said Vollmer of the position he held for many years. "I think Kim (Richards) came on about that same time to help."

Vollmer said prior to his job he had been announcing football.

He recalls that the very first time he sat and placed his hands on the clock was for a regional ballgame down in Sturgis.

"I had to introduce the dance squad at half-time and it was a difficult name," he laughed. "I murdered it both nights." Newell was in charge of that tournament and Vollmer was tasked with running the clock. He started in the fall of 1986 as the "official" announcer, with "that deep voice," which is recognizable to most in the local area. His job duties entailed running the clock, announcing and introducing the starting lineup. He said there have been some difficult names to pronounce during the years and it has been a challenge.

His most interesting memory was one game between Custer and Douglas, played at the School of Mines gym. "It was a packed house, and it went into triple overtime," said Vollmer. "One of the refs came over just before the end of the final overtime and said, 'I'm not going to be able to hear that buzzer, so Neil, you watch those

last seconds, and Kim you watch the shooter, and see if the shooter lets go before the buzzer.'

The clock wound down, the buzzer sounded and the ref looked at Vollmer who just shook his head no. Sometimes running a clock can be a tough lmer said Douglas was a Closs A

job. Vollmer said Douglas was a Class A school and Custer was Class B and Custer won at the buzzer.

Vollmer said he ran the clock and announced a lot for games at Sturgis Grunwald, and for district and regional games in Newell and the local area, as well as running the clock for the West River Tournament games which are heading into the

Vollmer C2

# The Journey to a **Superior Performance**

COLLEEN BRUNNER
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NEWELL – Two young women from Newell high school have been no strangers in the drama department. They have worked hard during all aspects of drama at NHS, including One Acts, school plays and other theatrical endeavors. And their hard work has finally paid off, with a superior performance rating at the state level in One Acts.

Sydnee Kjellson and Madison Miller performed the play, Everything Seems Like Maybe, by Sandy Rustin, which is a timely collection of monologues inspired by the writings of American teenagers in April 2020, right at the heart of the Covid pandemic. The state level

event was held February 5th and 6th at Brandon Valley. The girls had a previous superior rating at the Region 7 One-Act competition in Timber Lake.

According to Rustin's website, the voices of teenagers take the spotlight in this series of timely monologues about the experience of sheltering in place during the COVID-19 pandemic. It was based on the experiences and written work of real high school students.

The play, which celebrates and validates the thoughts of young people during a surreal and unprecedented time, whether missing friends, or trying to imagine what else could possibly happen, included the option of students adding their own twist with a monologue addition of their own.



Sydnee Kjellson and Madison Miller, rated a superior performance at the state One-Act festival on February 5 and 6.

- Photo courtesy SDPB

Following the abrupt closing of schools as the Corona virus pandemic swept across America, many teenagers experienced the disruption of normal high school life. Cornerstone rites of passage events such as proms, performances, concerts, sports

events, award ceremonies and graduations were abruptly canceled. Face to face instruction was replaced by online instruction which for many students added more challenges.

Miller, a Newell High School
One Act C2

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#### **Newell School Menu** Mar. 3 - Mar 10

Wed. Mar 3

Lunch: WALKING TACO, WHOLE GRAIN CHIPS, RE-FRIED BEANS, PEACHES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Thurs. Mar 4

Breakfast: BISCUITS AND GRAVY, SAUSAGE PATTY, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK Lunch: PIZZA, BRUSSEL SPROUTS, PINEAPPLE,

Mon. March 8

Breakfast: BREAKFAST SANDWICH OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK Lunch: CHILI, CORNBREAD MUFFINS, MANDARIN

ORANGES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Tues. March 9

Breakfast: WAFFLE STICKS, SAUSAGE PATTY, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH, WHOLE GRAIN

FRESH FRUIT, MILK

BUN, CALIFORNIA BLEND, MIXED FRUIT, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

Wed. March 10

Breakfast: YOGURT PARFAIT OR CEREAL, FRESH FRUIT OR JUICE, MILK

Lunch: SCALLOPED POTATOES WITH HAM, WHOLE GRAIN DINNER ROLL, STRAWBERRIES, FRESH FRUIT, MILK

From C1

#### **AMBULANCE**

"You only need to make six runs and six meetings in a year, but you need to do more than that (to be a good EMT)," said ambulance member Don Tishmack.

ple to pass," said Tom Lewis, another member of the department. "So, we'll do everything we can to help you.'

"The community needs peo-

"The commitment is great," said Hocking, "But so are the rewards."

#### From C1 **VOLLMER**

40th year next year.

"It was fun running the clock at the civic center," said Vollmer. "That echo in there that you don't hear in a gym like Newell (is interesting)."

"A lot of the referees would come in to ref the game and come over and say, 'the voice of Newell is still here," he

The award was a surprise. Vollmer, and his cohorts on the Newell Lion's club have held the responsibility for selling tickets for the basketball and football games for a while now. Although Neil had not been able to sit at the ticket booth for a while, he volunteered to sell tickets at a couple of the last regular season games last week. Getting him to Austin Auditorium was not a big challenge for his wife Linda. The couple's daughter, Danelle Ochoki, made up a reason to be in town, along

with her two daughters.

"We were sitting there (at the ticket table) and Veron (McCarthy) and Troy (Hewson) came out and said, 'Neil you need to run inside there quick." Of course, he didn't know why, but went into the gym where AD Steve Schoenfish was waiting with a plaque commemorating the 35 years of service. Vollmer said Schoenfish was giving out academic athletic awards to the

"Steve gave me the award, and then I turned and my two granddaughters (Emily and Rachel) who Danelle had let in the back door so I wouldn't see them, came up and gave me a big hug. What a surprise." He said they had flowers for him and it was a special time.

"I just want to say a big thank you to Steve and the school for allowing me to do this," he shared. "It was fun. I met lots of nice coaches and referees over the years."



You can see by the delight on the face of Neil Vollmer (far right) that he is surprised and pleased both by the award he received from AD Steve Schoenfish, but also by the surprise visit from granddaughters Rachel and Emily Ochoki.

- Courtesy photo

#### From C1 One Act

junior, explained that the play has a significant message. "The whole purpose is that everyone is effected differently, and you can't really live in someone else's shoes."

Director, Meg English added, "Sydnee and Madison are responsible for interpreting the voices of American teenagers during a historic, difficult time. They thoroughly understood the depth of these emotions and brought the characters to life."

Although Newell has earned superior awards at one-act regional competition the past three years, they have not received a superior at state competition since 2002. That's a long while in the area of drama awards and it's clear that these two girls, along with their cohorts at NHS, are bringing back quality performances, both locally and at the region and state levels.

Miller's addition to the script was a monologue about Asian and Black communities during the small segment from April 2020. She said it follows a girl who was left completely

isolated.

"Isolated in my mind feels like I'm faded, can't deny the truth, the truth that you hate me. I'm alright, but I feel so unrelated to," shared Miller in her script.

Meanwhile Kjellson, who is a part of the Newell Irrigator girls' basketball team came up with the concept of losing an entire season, which was reality for many students playing sports during the spring season of 2020. She said her script was from the perspective of a player who made it to state last year, only to have her senior season

"While losing a basketball season doesn't seem like the end of the world, especially to those losing loved ones, to us, and to me, it was," wrote Kjellson.

Miller, who is graduating as a junior from NHS will go on to leave her mark in further education. Meanwhile, Kjellson has another year at NHS to pursue another trip to state, maybe in both drama and basketball. She and her sports cohorts played in the regional tournament this past week. (Story on C4)

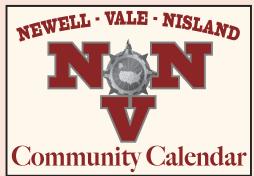
If you have events for the calendar please contact Colleen Brunner at colleenkbrunner@gmail.com.

Newell School District will be having a screening for children 0-6 years old on Tuesday February 23rd from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the lower elementary on

campus. Please register prior to the event by calling 605-456-0102. https://core-docs. s3.amazonaws.com/.../2021\_screening.pdf

Newell School District is looking for a head of maintenance/custodian. If you are interested, please fill out a job application available on the school website and get it to the high school office by Wednesday March 3rd. If you have any questions regarding the position, call the school at 605-456-2393. Newell School District is looking for substitute bus drivers for this year. Pay is \$17.50 per hour. If you are interested, please call the school at 605-456-2393. There are four spots up for election to the school board. If you are interested in serving your community in this way, please stop in the business office for a circulation petition. People signing the petition MUST be registered voters in the district.

Applications may be submitted for the following teaching positions that are open at Newell school district: MS Social Studies, HS (9-12) English, Art. See the school website at newell.k12.sd.us for more information.



Newell Improvement Corporation is raffling off two goodie baskets. One has four, gray-level Stampede Hockey tickets, good for any home game. The Stampede are in Sioux Falls. The basket includes two cowbells, water and munchies. The second basket is a Kids Basket

with many games, goodies and treats.

Mar. 4: GBB-SoDak 16 @ TBA all day

Mar 5: ACT Registration all day

Mar. 5: MSBB-7th Cartwrights @ Lead 2:30 p.m.; BBB-Semi-Final Regions @ TBA 5:30

Mar. 6: MSBB-8th Cartwright Tourney @ Lead, 8 a.m.

Mar. 8: School Board Meeting 6 p.m. at Multi-purpose room; City Commission 6 p.m. at City Admin Offices.

Mar. 9: BBB SoDak 16 @ TBA-all day, Nisland/Arpan Volunteer Fire & Rescue, 7 p.m. at the fire hall in Nisland.

Mar. 11-13: GBB-State Tourney @ Watertown-all day

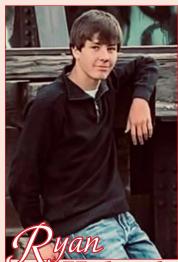
Mar. 14: Daylight Savings Time starts (set your clocks back Saturday night)

### **Newell High School Senior Profiles**

Editor's Note: Reporter Colleen Brunner continues her series profiling the Class of 2021 at Newell High School.

NEWELL – As the youngest member of the Doug and Cheryl Hohenberger family, Ryan will graduate this spring from Newell high school. This tall, lanky, young man, is a familiar sight around the NHS campus and on the basketball court as well. Ryan has brothers which include Radley, Tyler and Kirk, all older.

A favorite memory of NHS came just this past year as Hohenberger competed with his teammates in Cross County and ended up with a fourth-place finish at the state level. His teammates, Wyatt and Garrett Winkler, David Morell and Caleb McGregor



enberger made a strong bond during the season and pounded the dirt to the finish. For Hohenberger this means he

helped nab another banner to hang in Austin Auditorium. This young man lists personal

Congratulations Ryan!

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and know you'll do great

things in the future

Love Dad and Mom

or mechanics," he shared of his plans following his NHS graduation in the spring. "I haven't decided on a school yet." He hopes that ten years down the road finds him with

a stable job and a family. Hohenberger notes his entire family as

finance as his favorite class,

ite teacher and basketball.

and learning more about it,"

with friends, plays with his

"I plan on studying some-

thing in the agricultural field

pets and playing games.

Mr. Vander Vorst as his favor-

"I enjoy watching, playing

Outside of school he hangs

his biggest influence, stating, "I am constantly learning from them."

He said he thinks NHS has been a great place to go to school because the teachers have a really good sense of humor. He also said he will miss the friends he has made

Hohenberger participated in basketball, National Honor Society, track and Cross Country in his time at NHS and fans will miss watching this tall drink of water, lope down the court to toss in a bucket.

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NEWELL - "My favorite memory is back in freshman year when Sidney Leber did a wheelie across the football field with his dirt bike," said Sam Rounds, a senior at Newell high school, and slated to graduate in May "While the principal watched, he got away with it."

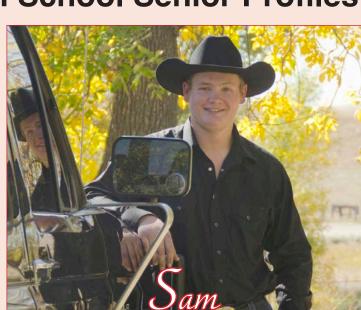
Sam is the youngest son of Todd and Sarah Rounds of the Union Center area. He has one older brother, Troy, who is 20.

Sam notes that his favorite class is welding with Mr. Fiedler, but his favorite teacher is Mr. Vandervorst. He loves to work on pickups.

Sam doesn't plan to go to college, but will be helping on the family ranch and working at CBH Coop for the time being. That is not to say he might change his mind in the future.

Sam feels that his family has made the biggest impact on his life and has guided the path he has been on up to this

"It is small (the school) and



I will miss a few of the teachers," said Rounds of his time at NHS. He participated in the football program while attending Newell, though not all four years. That is one of his regrets.

"I wish I had done football all four years," he said.

#### **Congratulations Sam!**

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### Then and Now in Newell

#### "Looking Forward to our Past" by Linda Velder

#### March 2, 1911

Paul Haynes and Walter Jenness are building a structure north of the Sherburne Land Agency. Mr. Jenness will occupy the front room for his tailor shop and Mr. Haynes the rear room for a studio. This will be a first class photo gallery and tailor shop to open in about 10 days. Located the first door north of Sherburne Land

Please notice = A butcher knife was lost between Campbell's Hall and the school house on February 22, If found, please leave it at the Irrigator Office.

The building committee of the Congregational Church have settled upon plans and made arrangements for the erection of a commodious and attractive edifice. The church people are greatly pleased with and appreciate most heartily, the generous response of the citizens of Newell to the building proposition and the success of the undertaking is fully assured.

#### March 10, 1921

L.R. Bitney, Rail Road Commissioner of Pierre, was Saturday in the Empire vicinity on telephone business. While there he was a guest in the spacious new home of Mr. & Mrs. Walter Foster. The Foster's hosted the Ugoigo Whist Club. After the usual games of whist, delicious refreshments were served by the hosts, after which there came music and a general good time. About 30 guests were present and all voted Mr. & Mrs. Foster fine entertainers.

George Partridge is advertising the sale of 7 horses, 10 cows + 1 bull and some machinery. Having rented his farm out, he won't have much use

for the stuff here in town. There will be a free lunch offered at

The common sores that occur around the eyes of calves during the late winter are caused by a small parasite in the skin, commonly called ring worms. The disease characterized by scabs and loss of hair is best treated by application of tincture of iodine. A simple treatment consists of softening the spots with Vaseline and later applying tincture of iodine once a day for 3 or 4 days.

#### March 5, 1931

Swimming, Fishing & Boating, the long-dreamed of sports of many, seems to be going to be a reality in the future, after the organizing of the Orman Boat Club by many Black Hills area sportsmen. Having received from the government a lease of the 9 acres along the south shore-line of the lake, local men have been working on their plans, which include a 250' pier, of which 150' will be stilted and a 100' floating pier, diving platform and sand the lake bed. Trees are already growing there and other trees will be planted in addition for protection. Plans for instillation of an electric light plant for lighting the shore and a club house. Organizers plan to sell Annual Memberships, allowing all clubs and fishing ground privileges.

A meeting of the Newell Radio Club has been called for Tuesday evening March 10 at the Barrett Barber Shop, according to an announcement of Richard Anderson, President of the club. Among other things, it is proposed to take up the matter of tracing interference in

#### **Grand River Roundup**

#### **BETTY OLSON** news@bellefourchebeacon.com

The week started out warm and really windy with 60mph gusts on Monday and Tuesday. We started calving on Monday which was about a week earlier than we planned. The guys brought the cows in on Monday to sort off the ones that were going to calve earliest and found a cow with a calf and

another one that had lost a

set of twins.

Amanda picked Taz up at the airport in Rapid City on his way home from rodeos down south. I told you wrong again last week when I said that Texas doesn't have snow plows, they do but Louisiana and Mississippi don't have any and that's what Taz and his rodeo buddies had to drive through to get from San Antonio, Texas to the rodeo in Jackson, Mississippi. A lot of folks down there still don't have drinking water after all those pipes froze, but at least they have electricity again.

The wind didn't come up very early on Tuesday so I was able to get four loads of laundry washed and hung on the clothesline outside. They were dry by the time with wind started howling and nothing was blown off the clothesline. I love the good smell of laundry that has been dried outside. The wind was blowing pretty hard when Jace Jenson came down to visit Taz that afternoon.

Reub had his last appointment on his hip replacement in Rapid City on Wednesday and he checked out really well. We went through a heavy snow squall south of the Buttes on the way home, but we got home in time for the Lenten service at Slim Buttes Lutheran that evening. Wilkinson's sheared sheep that day, but Patsy Wilkinson was able to make it to the service too. Tenold's sheared their sheep last week and went over to help Wilkinson's that day and Bob and Norma Tenold were also able to make it to church that evening. Casey and Missy took the Harding County wrestlers to Rapid City Wednesday

evening for the state wrestling tournament that lasted over the weekend.

Thursday was a beautiful day without much wind and Reub had an appointment with Dr. Whitney in Bowman. We went to Hettinger first to

get parts, made it to Bowman in time for his appointment and made it home in time for lunch. It was another beautiful day on Friday when Reub and I went to the Bar H to get our income taxes that Jamie

Thybo had finished for us. Taz went up to help Jace Jenson sort bulls to get ready for folks to come look them over before his bull sale on March 4th at Faith Livestock. Louise Jenson wasn't there because she was flying home from Florida. Trig came home from college Friday night to help the guys with chores while Casey was at the wrestling tournament.

There was a cracker barrel in Newell Saturday morning and I caught a ride to it with Rep. Sam Marty. The other legislatures who were there were Sen. Gary Cammack, Rep. Dean Wink and Rep. Kirk Chaffee. This week was Crossover when every bill that passed the house of origin has to be sent to the other side to be voted on. You go to sdlegislature.gov to keep track of all the bills. The South Dakota legislature will wrap up this session on March 11th. There was another cracker barrel in Faith on Sunday but I wasn't able to attend that one.

Shane Milks, 26, of Rapid City died Wednesday, February 17 at his home in Rapid City. His Funeral service was held Saturday at the old school gym in Buffalo with Pastor Mike Smith officiating. Shane's ashes will be scattered at a later date. His family has our

Laura Johnson wrote the music for Psalm 43:3-4 for the ladies' retreat and sang it for us in church Sunday morning. Laura is one talented woman! June Hotchkiss understands my fascination with rocks and she brought me a sack of rocks to church. There were lots of little round rocks like we find around

here that fascinate little Copper, but there were also three eggshaped blue gray rocks that her sister Jackie in Sitka, Alaska gave her. Jackie lives near the ocean and, with the drought we have here, June also gave me this old Indian tale: "Rocks from wet country help bring moisture to dry country."

We had an enjoyable Bible study at Lester and Sharon Longwood's Sunday evening with Jim and Lucy Anderson, Duane and Dawn Harris, and John and Corinne Erickson with lots of good visiting and delicious lunch.

With all the crazy things happening in Washington, DC, I'll leave you with these Ronald Reagan quotes:

"Socialism only works in two places: Heaven where they don't need it and hell where they already have it." -Ronald Reagan

'The most terrifying words in the English language are: I'm from the government and I'm here to help.

-Ronald Reagan

'The trouble with our liberal friends is not that they're ignorant; it's just that they know so much that isn't so.' -Ronald Reagan

'I have wondered at times about what the Ten Commandments would have looked like if Moses had run them through the U.S. Congress. -Ronald Reagan

'The taxpayer: That's some-

one who works for the federal government but doesn't have to take the civil service examination. - Ronald Reagan

'Government is like a baby: An alimentary canal with a big appetite at one end and no sense of responsibility at the other' - Ronald Reagan

Government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it' - Ronald Reagan

'If we ever forget that we're one nation under GOD, then we will be a nation gone under. -Ronald Reagan

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the town and make plans to improve radio reception. All those interested are urged to attend this meeting.

In an effort to arrive at a satisfactory and mutual shearing wage scale for the season of 1931, the Western South Dakota Lamb Feeders' Association will hold a meeting at their office in Fruitdale on Wednesday at 1:30 PM. The object of the meeting is to have representative group of both sheepmen and sheep shearers to discuss and approve, if possible, a shearing wage scale that will satisfactory to both bodies and consequently

avoid misunderstanding and friction at shearing time. The Harding, Butte and Lawrence Counties Wool Growers Association as well as sheepmen from Montana and Wyoming will be present.

#### March 6, 1941

The American Legion Auxiliary will celebrate its 22nd Anniversary March 15 by the registration of its 504,299 members for international defense.

Langford Electric Company of Minneapolis is expected to start construction of the Butte Electric Association rural electrification line very soon, Donald Soma, Supt revealed this week. More than 195 miles of lines have been staked during the past months. The contracting company will start their work near Belle Fourche and work east and south until lines are completed. Under the contract it has 100 days to complete the lines in Butte, Meade, and Lawrence Counties.

People hauling livestock by truck will no longer have to pay a 10 cents inspection fee on each animal. Governor Bushfield has signed a bill passed by both houses which repeals the law enacted in 1939 that proved quite unpopular with farmers and ranchers.

#### March 15, 1951

Mr. & Mrs. Carl Brunner Jr. and children, Nedra, Jerry, Roger and Wayne moved over the past week end from Newell to the Jake Herman farm northeast of Belle Fourche, which they have leased. They had been living in the Mutchler home since selling their farm. Mr. & Mrs. Fred Bunney and children moved Sunday into the Mutchler house since the vacation of

the Brunner family. Load limits on South Dakota highways, automatically went into effect March 1, are more necessary than ever this year, Highway Engineer H.C. Remfer reported this week. Lack of snow in many parts of the state

from the Newell Museum

has resulted in hard-frozen road beds, which are expected to break up to a greater extent this year than in previous years. Snow acts as insulation and a heavy layer prevents freezing and deeper levels, Remfer said since roads are frozen to a greater depth, it is essential that heavy loads be kept of them until they have thawed and become stabilized.

#### March 2, 1961

Bill Long, Newell High School Senior, son of Mr. & Mrs. R.D. Long, is a representative from Butte County for the 1961 All-State Band by the S D's Band Masters' Association as a result of state-wide auditions. More than 1,100 High School musicians' auditioned for the 160-piece honor band which will converse in Sioux Falls March 24-25. Bill played bass horn and sousaphone in the Newell band for the past 6 years. In addition, is a member in sports, extracurricular and community activities.

Twelve Rocky Mountain Big Horn sheep, 4 rams and 8 ewes, in cooperation with the Game, Fish & Parks, have been planted on the Claude Olson ranch at the north end of the Slim Buttes in Harding County. The sheep were picked up in Calgary, Alberta, Canada last week and arrived in good condition with no injuries due to hauling. The last Audubon Big Horn, a close relative to the Rocky Mountain Big Horn, was killed at the south end of the Slim Buttes about 1915. The species is now extinct.

Mrs. Nellie Schell, Newell, who was visiting in CA, received an orchid corsage from Lawrence Welk at his show in Los Angeles, when she visited that event Saturday, according to word received by the Irrigator last week. The presentation to Mrs. Schell was in recognition for her being the oldest person present. She also enjoyed an Al Jarvis Dance Contest.



This is a photo of the Congregational Church. Construction began March 25, 1911 and was completed by May 7, 1911. It was located on the corner of 3rd St & Dartmouth Ave. And in 1949 moved to 4th St. Later it was declared surplus and donated to the Newell Museum when it was located near 4th St and Fisk Ave.



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Newell Boys Basketball

### Final Season Game a **Tough One**

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NEWELL – In a rescheduled end of regular season game with Timber Lake, the Newell Irrigators struggled from the very beginning as a very tough Panther team came to win. Newell only put two points on the boards in the first period, and that came from David Morell on a drive inside. Meanwhile Timber Lake marked down 15 points and that's where the quarter ended, 15-2.

The second period saw a bit better time for the Irrigators, but not much as they added eight total points in the quarter, on field goals from Ryan Hohenberger, and Colton Burtzlaff, while James Duncan added a

trey. Morell went to the line for one of two. The half ended with Newell down 32-8.

The struggle continued in the third period with only four points for Newell. Another trey from Duncan and one of two at the line for Morell were all the Irrigators could muster. The third quarter score was 45-12.

Things got a little better in the fourth period with Burtzlaff and Duncan both nailing two field goals each. Hohenberger went to the line twice, putting in three of four at the line. That ended the final home season game, 50-23.

N: 2, 8, 12, 23. TL: 15, 32, 45, 50. Morell 1/0/2-4/4, Hohenberger 1/0/3-4/5, Burtzlaff 3/0/0-0/6, Duncan 2/1/1-2/8.



Ryan Hohenberger makes good on this trip to the bucket against Timberlake last Thursday night. - Brunner photo



David Morell took a lot of hits during his final home game as a senior against Timberlake this past week. - Brunner photo

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Newell Girls Basketball Regionals

#### Irrigators Face McIntosh and Timber Lake in Regionals

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NEWELL – The Newell Lady Irrigators played their two regional games in Austin Auditorium, notching a win on Tuesday against McIntosh and a loss and the end of the road on Thursday against Timber Lake.

In game one, Coach Scott Wince began the game with his regular starters against the Tiger, and building a 23-5 lead in the first quarter. Kayden Steele led the pack, putting up five field goals and one from beyond the arch. Kassidy Weeldreyer added six points from in the paint and Kim Johnson and Sydney Kjellson each added two points.

In the second quarter the Newell girls added 19 points while the Tigers only managed three. The gap at the half widened to 42-8. The Irrigator points came from Steele with six more, a field goal each from Stacy Mahaffy, Weeldreyer, Johnson and Kjellson. Free throws were at a near 100 percent, five of six.

The started sat much of the third and fourth quarters as the subs got some good regional experience. Johnson added a field goal, as did Taylor Gaer, who also added one free throw for Newell's five points. McIntosh maintained their second quarter scoring at three points. The Irrigators led 47-11 at the end of three.

Rachel Erk proved her worth as she came into the game, scoring three field goals, while Johnson added four more points for the Irrigators. The game was theirs at 57-17.

N: 23, 42, 47, 57. M: 5, 8, 11 17. Erk 3/0/2-2/8, Mahaffy 1/0/0-0/2, Weeldreyer 4/0/0-0/8, Johnson 5/0/1-2/11, Kjellson



Kayden Steele hits for two of her game-high 19 points during first round regional action. - Brunner photo

2/0/0-0/4, Gaer 1/0/3-3/5, Steele 8/1/0-0/19.

Things did not go so well in the second round as the Timber Lake Panthers came to win and advance. And they did just that as they grabbed the win and the advance to the SoDak 16 from Newell.

The Panthers more than doubling the home team's score, 11-5 in the first quarter. Weeldreyer and Johnson hit a field goal each while Kjellson added one of two at the free throw line for Newell's points.

Weeldrever got on the move in the second quarter, adding six points in the paint. Kjellson added another field goal

and Steele came in with three points on a field goal and one of two free throws. That gave Newell 11 points in the period, which beat out their opponents by three, 11-8. That left the Irrigators down by just three at the half, 19-16.

Newell struggled in the third period as they just couldn't seem to get the ball through the hoop. Turnovers plagued them as well, and even though the Panthers didn't go crazy, with 14 points in the period, the Irrigators only managed five points, the lone field goal from Kjellson, along with two free throws from Erk and one of two by Johnson. The score at the end of three stood at 33-21.

Newell finally got things moving in the final quarter, but it was too little too late. Steele tossed in two treys as well as one of two at the charity stripe. Gaer hit for the seven points she nailed in the game on a three and a field goal, as well as two of three at the line. Single field goals came from Kjellson and Weeldreyer. Erk added two for two at the line for the Irrigators

Timber Lake scored 14, which kept them barely ahead of the Irrigators and gave them the win 47-41,

N: 5, 16, 21, 41. TL: 11, 19, 33, 47. Erk 0/0/4-4/4, Weeldreyer 5/0/0-0/10, Johnson 1/0/1-2/3, Kjellson 3/0/1-2/7, Gaer 1/1/2-3/7, Steele 1/2/2-6/10.



Sydney Kjellson scored seven points in the game with a tough Timber Lake team on Thursday. - Brunner photo

### Irrigators Fall to Tigers on the Road

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DUPREE – The Newell Irrigators traveled to Dupree for one of their final away games before the beginning of the regional tournament and the road to the end of the season. Though they have worked hard all season, things have not gone as the Irrigators hoped, and that included the game away on February 18.

David Morell and Colton Burtzlaff started things off for Newell in the first quarter, as Burtzlaff hit for two field goals, while Morell nailed a field goal and three of three at the free throw line. An added field goal by Jameson Duncan gave Newell 11 points in the period.

Meanwhile, the Tigers were on a tear, doubling the Irrigators points in the period. At the end of one period of play Newell was down 22-11.

The Irrigators spread the points around this quarter as Newell actually outscored Dupree in the second period, but only by two points. Morell and Burtzlaff putt up two and four points respectively. Ryan Hohenberger added eight points in the period on two field goals and four of four at the charity stripe. At the half the score stood at 34-25.

Things slowed for Newell in the third with just six points on the boards, a field goal from Morell and a matching set to Burtzlaff's

first and second quarter two buckets. The Tigers were eager to outscore Newell, putting up 14 points in the period, making the third quarter score a wide gap, 48-31.

Burtzlaff added one to his previous quarter scores in the game, putting up three field goals in the fourth period. Morell added one as well as one from the three-point line and one of two at the line. Hohenberger also went one of two at the line, but it the Irrigators were too short, going down 66-44 at the final buzzer.

Q: N-11, 25, 31, 44. D-22, 34, 48, 66. Duncan 1/0/0-0/2, Hohenberger 2/0/5-6/9, Morell 3/1/6-7/15, Burtzlaff 9/0/0-0/18.





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