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## Belle Fourche Shopko Avoids Closure List

*But pharmacy to be closed as prescription drug business being auctioned off.*

### BEACON STAFF

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**BELLE FOURCHE** - The Belle Fourche Shopko location is to remain open as the Wisconsin-based retailer announces the closing of 105 stores, six in South Dakota. But the company has until March 14th to show a plan that will move the downsized retail chain forward, or face liquidation.

Shopko filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on January 16th, and as part of the restructuring has announced the closing of 105 of what are termed 'under performing' stores. Six of the 20 Shopko locations in South Dakota are scheduled to close between March 3rd and April 15th. Belle Fourche is not on the closure list.

Stores in Custer, Dell Rapids, Webster, Wagner, Redfield and Sioux Falls will be closed and liquidated. The company estimates total liquidation sales from the 105 store closings will generate between \$80 and \$95 million.

Other stores in the Black Hills area that will remain open include Sturgis, Rapid City and Hot Springs.

However the company is auctioning off its pharmacy business and that will affect the Belle Fourche location. The timeline for that process, according to court documents, included the auction to be held at



**STORE TO REMAIN OPEN** - The Belle Fourche Shopko will remain open as the Wisconsin-based company goes through Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization. The company will close 105 stores nationwide include six locations in South Dakota. Shopko will have until March 14th to demonstrate that it can financially move forward as a smaller company. -Beacon photo

the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, in Chicago last Friday and approval of the pharmacy asset sales to have been concluded yesterday on Jan. 29th. As of press time no word on if those dates were met.

Shopko's main pharmacy supplier, McKesson, is the largest unsecured creditor with

\$69.8 million owned, a figure that Shopko, a Green Bay, WI-based retail chain, is disputing in an on-going lawsuit filed last month. However McKesson stopped shipment of medical supplies to Shopko in December causing a disruption of supplies in most stores, including Belle Fourche.

In December Hy-Vee Food Stores acquired the business of Shopko pharmacies in Watertown and two locations in Sioux Falls.

A Shopko spokesperson told Forbes that the auction would involve a sale or transfer of the prescription files to other chains and closing the Shopko phar-

macy location. Staying in the pharmacy business is not part of the retailer's reorganization plan, according to the spokesperson.

Shopko considered several factors when making its decision to close stores, including

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## Prairie Auto Parts New Location



**FROM PARTS WELL-KNOWN** - The interior of the new NAPA Prairie Auto Parts Store in Belle Fourche has the store's fresh modern look. (Inset photo-Owner Duane Wolfe, Dickinson, ND (left) and store Manager Katy Hammill (right) -Beacon Photo

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The Napa store at the corner of Hwy 85 and Zeibach Street has moved to a new location at 1829 5th Avenue in what recently housed Black Hills Tractor and after that Manke Trucking.

The store opened at the new location last week with what from the outside looking in seemed like a seamless transition.

Belle Fourche born and raised Katy Hammill is charged with managing the operation which employs six. An outside sales person is soon joining the team.

What was originally built as a truck wash provides additional floor space, added storage, ease of loading and unloading parts, as well as greater ease of access for customers and vehicle access.

The highly efficient store in full operation, has a new name "Prairie Parts" and will soon have permanent signs. A Grand opening will be scheduled sometime in the spring after the weather warms up.

The decision in August of 2017 for Duane Wolfe of Dickinson, North Dakota to expand

his Napa parts business to Belle Fourche provided another link in the Prairie Parts chain.

Wolfe started Prairie Parts in Kildeer, ND in 2001. He added a second store in Dickinson in 2008. Belle Fourche joined in August of 2017 when the local Napa store was purchased from the Gross family. Two more Napa stores were acquired in

Rapid City in August of 2018 making the current total five stores.

Wolfe stated the group of stores allows for the purchase of a larger volume parts inventory system wide with the end result of being able to provide the consumer with a wide variety of parts at competitive pricing.

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## BFACC Pool Closed This Week

*Boiler relocation underway*

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**BELLE FOURCHE** - Unless you're a fan of really cold water, the indoor pool at the Belle Fourche Area Community City is off limits this week. The pool will be closed through Saturday while the boiler that heats the pool water is being re-located.

At their most recent session the Belle Fourche City Council approved the expenditure of \$10,849 to move the boiler from its present location to the second floor mechanical room #4 above the pool room.

The boiler was replaced with a new one in 2017 but the unit's

proximity to the water chlorination system and chemicals has already had corrosive affects. BFACC Executive Director Michelle Deyo-Amende says despite their best efforts at air circulation the boiler cannot be adequately protected. The best option is to move it.

The bid for the work was awarded to Rasmussen Mechanical Services of Sturgis. Earlier this week they began the process by drilling holes through the concrete floor for new piping. They will also have the gas line, supply water and return water lines as well as venting and a concrete pad in place before moving the boiler later this week. If all goes well the pool should reopen next week.



**TAKING THE HEAT** - The pool water heating unit at the BFACC will be moved upstairs this week away from the pump room where chlorine has begun to degrade the unit.

## BF Rail Park Siding to Receive Upgrade



**IN AND OUT ACCESS** - A second access road (bottom center) to the railroad siding at the Industrial and Rail Park will make access much more efficient for trucks using the site to transfer cargo. - BF Beacon photo

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**BELLE FOURCHE** - Earlier this month the Belle Fourche Development Corporation (BFDC) received approval from the City Council to build a second access road to the Belle Fourche Transload site along the RCP&E Railroad in the city's Industrial and Rail Park. And the BFDC got a boost in its efforts after the quarterly meeting of the Butte County Rail Authority as they unanimously agreed to contribute \$10,000 to the expected \$20,000 cost.

The access road will begin at the intersection of Bonanza St and Beadle Court. About 2,000 tons of gravel are expected to

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**Pastor's Perspective**

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Andy Anderson of Emmanuel Baptist Church.

**An Everlasting Hope.**

1 Peter 3:15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that ask you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:



The hope I sought had finally been found in a Person, the Lord Jesus Christ.

No matter what generation a person may be living in, men and women need hope.

The world will try and offer hope, but it is only temporary, not everlasting. If hope cannot be found many will try to forget of life's struggles through other means such as drugs, alcohol, money, sex and the list goes on and on. If they can't find something to suppress their need for hope they may end up committing suicide. God offers all peace and a hope that is beyond our comprehension. The Word of God tells us in 2 Timothy 3:1-7 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come, and that men's hearts would fail them because of fear. Perilous means dangerous. We live in very dangerous times. We live in a time when evil is called good and good is called evil. Reading through verses 2-7 is like

reading through today's newspaper or listening to the TV or radio. People need hope, people need Jesus.

2 Timothy 3:2-7 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

The Lord wants to give you a lasting hope in an uncertain and dangerous world. The Word of God states that this hope is in and through a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. Won't you call on Jesus today for salvation and enter His hope?

**Obituaries**

**Eunice K. Fox 92**

Eunice K. Fox, age 92 of Buffalo SD, went home to heaven, with her family by her side, on Friday, January 25, 2019 at the Belle Fourche Healthcare Center.

A celebration of her life will take place 1pm Thursday, January 31, 2019 at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. There will be no visitation. Inurnment will take place later in the spring, in the Buffalo Cemetery.

Friends may leave written condolences and view a video tribute at: www.funeralhomeofthenorthernhills.com

Eunice Kathryn Dake was born September 7, 1926 at the ranch home of "Uncle Jack and Aunt Katie" Booth, located southwest of Buffalo. She was the daughter of Martin and Una (Cammack) Dake. Eunice attended the Ladner School for eight years and in 1940 she moved into Buffalo to attend high school there. She and her sister Ethel lived together by themselves in a one-room place for the first year. The second year their parents rented a small house.

After two years of high school, Eunice met Lloyd Fox. On June 9, 1943 the couple

were united in marriage in Broadus, Montana. Eunice was 16 years old. To this union were born four children: Sherry, Vicki, Deby, and Russell.



Lloyd and Eunice lived for 2 years northwest of Redig, on the East Short Pines Ranch, owned by the Fox family.

When Lloyd received the call to serve in the U.S. Army, they moved to Belle Fourche and rented a small cabin that they could afford. There, Eunice started working for a small grocery store. Later on, her parents purchased a small house and Eunice lived there until Lloyd returned home from the service. Eunice also worked at the Belle Fourche Bank until a deal was made with the Fox family for the purchase of the Short Pines Ranch. They loved the place

and lived there until Lloyd died on December 11, 2001. They were married nearly 70 years.

Eunice was a member of the Grand River Lutheran Church and more recently a member of the Freedom Life Outreach Family Church. She was also a member of the VFW Auxiliary and the Smilin' Thru Extension Club. She was very artistic, a wonderful cook, and she had a talent of telling jokes - especially Ole and Lena jokes. She enjoyed music, dancing, singing, playing piano (especially her baby grand piano), and sewing. She once played in a band and from a very early age she played piano by ear. She was very proud of her family and she will be greatly missed by them all.

Grateful for sharing life with her are her children, Sherry (Jim) Sobotka of Pine Haven WY, Vicki (Mark) Heairet of Belle Fourche, Russ (Kathy) Fox of Buffalo; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister, Ethel; daughter, Deby; and an infant granddaughter.

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**Belle Fourche Church Schedules**

**BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH**  
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Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM  
Bob Davis, Pastor

**ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL**  
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The Rev. Evelyn Weaver  
The Rev. Sandy Williams, Priests  
Deacon Rev. Mike Weaver  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. Prayer

**CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER**  
2020 Vista St · 892-4767  
Paul Howard, Pastor  
Sunday Schedule  
Long Term Care Service  
8:45 a.m.  
Sunday School: All ages 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Service: 6 p.m.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
1105 Todd St.  
Brad Buchholz, Bishop  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Sacrament Meeting  
Sunday School:  
1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 a.m.  
Priesthood Meeting, Relief Society,  
Young Men and Young Women:  
11 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST (SBC)**  
902 Lawrence St. · 723-6899  
Andy Anderson, Pastor  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School  
10 a.m. Sunday Worship  
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Prayer Service

**CONNECTION CHURCH (SBC)**  
613 Sixth ave., Belle Fourche  
(605)-210-2150  
Pastor Stephen Carson  
Worship Pastor Ashton Rone  
Sunday: 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
807 8th Ave. 892-4178  
Pastor Tim Smith  
Sunday:  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Wednesday:  
6:00 p.m. Bible Study

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC**  
717 Jackson St. · 892-3402  
Pastor Del Neumeister  
Sunday:  
9:35 a.m. Adult Sunday School  
10 a.m. Worship

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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Newell  
605-456-2767  
Worship: 9 a.m.

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
901 Laurel St. Whitewood  
(605)-920-1959  
Reverend Jill Jennewein  
Sunday:  
9 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Adult & Teen Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School

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723-1092  
Sunday: 10 a.m. worship service

**NEW COVENANT PCA**  
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Sunday:  
10 a.m. Worship Service

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Thomas Pruett - Minister  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Class  
10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Class

**NISLAND INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
On Hwy 212 in Nisland  
(605) 257-2356  
Pastor Doug Clark  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship: 10:45 a.m.

**PRAIRIE HOME CHURCH**  
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Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.

**RANGELAND MINISTRIES CHURCH**  
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Wednesday:  
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## Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center opens new exhibit, "Someone's in the Kitchen"

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center opened a new temporary exhibit on Saturday, January 26th. The exhibit is entitled "Someone's in the Kitchen" and it features the history of cooking, food, utensils and appliances, kitchens and cookbooks.

Storyboards include the history of cutlery, the development of pots and pans, the rise of refrigeration and those foods, like the tomato, that have been particularly pivotal in the evolution of cooking. There are also humorous storyboards on off-beat topics like "food fraud," and "what was on the menu in the Middle Ages."

Visuals for the exhibit include pictures of vintage kitchens, retro utensils and photos of famous chefs. There is also an array of Betty Crocker images, from her first appearance in 1936 to today.

The exhibits design scheme is MUSEUM A6



Tri-State Museum's "Someone's In the Kitchen," exhibit. The cookbook pictured here is from the children's table.

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## Chamber Report

From Chamber Director Gary Wood

### Belle Fourche Invites...

The title of this article is the Chamber's emphasis for this coming year. With the 100th anniversary of the Black Hills Round-up, it's a great theme to encourage folks to come to Belle Fourche. Not just for the Round-up but throughout the year.

As a Chamber we are saying, "BELLE FOURCHE INVITES YOU TO COME EAT - STAY - SHOP & PLAY!"

It is certainly not too early to start planning for the company that will be coming. We've been getting calls about the summer events for months already and we're making plans along with our businesses and organizations for this celebration year.

I'd like to encourage you, the readers of this article to join us as "BELLE FOURCHE INVITES YOU TO COME EAT - STAY - SHOP & PLAY!"

Our staff are currently putting together a brochure that we will distribute to one and all to invite people to spend some time this year in Belle Fourche. That brochure is not ready yet but as soon as it is, we will start distribution. You can call the Chamber now and get on the list to receive copies for you to mail to family and friends. There will be advertising opportu-

nities for Chamber members at a reduced rate as well.

The Chamber has other resources for you to use in promotion of our city. The monthly happenings flier has become very popular with over 500 being printed in December.

The Country Register is a unique and popular publication (6 times a year, every other month) where the Chamber is featuring Belle Fourche in a two-page spread. Last issue this publication of 3,200 copies went to our Quad state region and N. Idaho. We still have copies of the Quad State Commerce magazine for distribution as well as the Belle Fourche magazine. The Community Calendar can be found weekly in the Belle Fourche Beacon, which reaches out to over 8,400 mail recipients in the Tri-State trade area and is also a great place to look for events happening in town. The Community Calendar can also be found on our website at www.belle-fourchechamber.org and events. If you do not have computer access, many of the events on that calendar are in the monthly happenings that you can pick up at Chamber businesses.

One thing Belle Fourche is known for. Being friendly. Let's prepare to invite people to our friendly town.



BELLE FOURCHE INVITES YOU TO COME EAT - STAY - SHOP & PLAY DURING MARKET DAYS!

## Belle Fourche Community Calendar

### Saturday - Feb. 2

First Saturday Brunch  
China Town Dig at Deadwood  
10-11:30am, Tri-State  
Museum & Visitor Center

Legislative Crackerbarrel  
1pm, Graps

### Monday - Feb. 4

City Council Meeting  
6pm, City Hall

If you would like to see a community event in the calendar, please email News@BelleFourcheBeacon.com.

### Tuesday - Feb. 5

Early Bird Networking & Coffee  
7:30am, Chamber of Commerce

CONBA Meeting  
5:30 pm, AmericInn

### Wednesday - Feb. 6

Chamber Board Meeting  
7am, Chamber of Commerce

Attitudes for Excellence Presentation  
9:30am-3:30pm, BFACC

### Fri-Sat - Feb. 8-9

Saturday on State  
Friday - Noon-7pm,  
Saturday - 9am-3pm,  
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### FFA Officer Highlight



Emma Singer, Belle Fourche FFA chapter secretary is a senior at the Belle Fourche High School. Her favorite part of FFA has been getting to compete in LDE's and CDE's. She has traveled to competitions and State and have met many new friends. She has also learned a lot of valuable life skills that will help her in the future. Emma's future includes going to college to get a bachelor's degree in biology or Ag. science. Then she hopes to go on to vet science and become a vet. Emma's SAE project has been making jam and selling it. Through her project she has learned how to manage her money and a small business. Her SAE project has helped her prepare for the future.

### Range Riders Host Livestock Judging

On January 21, 2019 the Range Riders 4-H Club hosted a Livestock Judging Event at the St. Onge Sale barn. The event brought in a great turn out despite the weather. We had nearly 35 youth attend to judge a variety of livestock. A special thanks goes out to the following families and individuals who furnished livestock for the competition. Center of the Nation provided wool. Beef Bulls were supplied by the Frederickson family out of Spearfish. Tylee, Taisley and Tristi Tetrault provided the ewe lambs. Doug and Carol Paval provided the goats. Our swine division was provided by a virtual on line judging from University of Wyoming - Extension. Our officials were Bruce and Danika Gordon. A special thank you to Justin and Brooke Tupper as well, for the use of the sale barn. We appreciate you and

the facility. Livestock judging provides our 4-H youth an opportunity to understand agriculture and animals and all of the work that goes into raising livestock to feed our communities and world. All 4-H programming is hands on education that serves to build life long skills as well. Our top three winners are as follows:  
Beginner -  
3 - Clay Mackaben  
2 - Kade Vavruska  
1 - Tylee Tetrault  
Junior -  
3 - Cassidy Ewing  
2 - Bridger Canfield  
1 - Joseph McLennan  
Senior -  
3 Laney Mackaben  
2- Shaylie Holben  
1-Matea Gordon - Matea was also our overall winner for the competition.



1st, 2nd & 3rd place in the Senior Division: (L-R) Matea Gordon and Shaylie Holben. (Not pictured - Laney Mackaben) - Courtesy Photo



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## BFHS One Act on to State



Back row from left: Gage Flick and Collin Hockenbary. Middle row from left: Alex Arnold, Savanna Pickett, Cordell Seyersdahl, and Conrad Schreier. Front row from left: Director Derek Olson, Assistant Director Toi Lynn Flick, Sydnee Richardson, Hanna Bricker, Loki Larive, Kendal Schreier, Miles Amende and AJ Arnold. - Courtesy Photo

*Collections* is a one act comedy written by Derek Olson and directed by Derek Olson and Toi Lynn Flick. It takes place in a credit card collection agency on casual Friday. It is inhabited by a cast of quirky characters who don't fit the typical office mold. They find out their branch is being shut down and all have

to deal with it in their own way. This show was performed in Hill City on Jan 23 at Regional Competition against six other schools. *Collections* was in the top two schools of the region and will go on to perform at the state level in Aberdeen on Jan 31 at 9pm. The show has been a hit with the kids and anyone who

has seen it because of the amazing performances of the actors. At the regional competition six actors received Superior Acting awards: Miles Amende; Collin Hockenbary; Alexandra Arnold; Sydnee Richardson; Hanna Bricker and Savanna Pickett.

## Broncs Finish 8th at Home Tourney

### BEACON STAFF

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Dickinson, ND was the top team at the Belle Fourche Invitational Wrestling Tournament held last weekend at the Ed Petranek Armory. The "Mid-gets" proved to be greater than the nomenclature as they nosed out SD powerhouse Rapid City Stevens by two points to capture the title.

Sturgis finished third followed by Custer at fourth. The Bronc wrestlers finished eighth in the field of 22 teams.

Coach Abell thought his grapplers could have performed better. "It seemed like they wrestled a little flat at their home event."

"Some good wrestling occurred but there were mistakes made and missed opportunities to move forward from."

The Belle Tourney has always been "somewhat of a warm up" for the February 16 Region 4A competition.

Coach Abell is confident his team has the "ability to perform at a higher level" in the Conference and Region tourneys.

The weekend action saw seven Bronc wrestlers place. Michael Streeter (285); Cade Bickerdyke (160); Cayden Wolfe (145) all won their final matches of the event to take 7th



Joe Hanson Bronc 138 pound wrestler releases his opponent after scoring the winning takedown in overtime.

Place. Brooks Clooten (220) finished 8th.

Joe Hanson (132) defeated Douglas wrestler Payton DeWitt 6-4 with a takedown in overtime for the 5th Place medal.

Jaredon Dosch (152) and Thomas McCoy (113) both finished the day with 4th place medals.

Lane Longbrake (106), Gun-

nar Jensen (138); and Walker Horn (195), Horn back in action after a lingering illness, scored points to contribute to Belle's 8th place team total.

The Bronc wrestlers travel to Hill City on Saturday, February 2 for their Varsity Invitational.

Hill City is also the host for the Black Conference Tourney on February 9th.

### Girl's BB 13-1

Dec 07	Broncs-Hill City	43-40
Dec 11	Broncs-Sturgis Brown	51-48
Dec 14	Broncs- Sundance, WY	69-23
Dec 15	Broncs-Newcastle, WY	63-25
Dec 21	Broncs-Lemmon	65-40
Dec 28	Broncs-Aberdeen Roncalli	59-55
Dec. 29	Broncs-Madison	51-40
Jan 05	Broncs-Red Cloud	43-40
Jan 08	Broncs-Spearfish	51-25
Jan 12	Broncs-Wright, WY	43-40
Jan 17	Broncs-Douglas	55-36
Jan 18	6:30 pm vs. Hot Springs	60-17
Jan 19	Broncs- Bowman Cty, ND	35-44
Jan 22	Broncs- Lead-Deadwood	59-35
Feb 01	5:30 pm vs. Douglas	
Feb 08	6:00 pm @ Custer	

### BRONCS

### Boy's BB 7-8

Dec 07	Broncs-Hill City	61-44
Dec 11	Broncs-Sturgis	45-81
Dec 14	Broncs-Sundance	68-55
Dec 15	Broncs-Newcastle	58-55
Dec 18	Broncs- New Underwood	56-27
Dec 21	Broncs- Lemmon	52-61
Dec 28	Broncs-Aberdeen Roncalli	34-63
Dec 29	Broncs-Madison	31-60
Jan 05	Broncs- Red Cloud	40-51
Jan 08	Broncs-Spearfish	58-42
Jan 12	Broncs-Wright, Wyo	52-63
Jan 18	Broncs-Hot Springs	60-76
Jan 19	Broncs-Bowman Cty, ND	41-58
Jan 22	Broncs-Lead-Deadwood	74-48
Jan 24	Broncs-Harding County	68-56
Feb. 01	7:00 pm vs. Douglas	
Feb 08	7:30 pm vs Custer	

## Belle Fourche District School Menu

### BREAKFAST - K-12

- Monday Feb. 4**
- French Toast Sticks with Syrup
  - Cereal Choices with Toast
- Tuesday Feb. 5**
- Fresh Baked Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich
  - Cereal Choices with Toast

- Wednesday Feb. 6**
- Bacon & Egg Breakfast Pizza
  - Cereal Choices with Toast

- Thursday Feb. 7**
- Fresh Baked Caramel Roll
  - Cereal Choices with Toast

### LUNCH - K-4

- Monday Feb. 4**
- Peppy Tortilla
  - Pork Fritter Sandwich

- Tuesday Feb. 5**
- Beef Stroganoff
  - Corn Dog

- Wednesday Feb. 6**
- Turkey & Gravy with Dinner Roll
  - Baked Breaded Steak Fingers with Dinner Roll

- Thursday Feb. 7**
- Pepperoni Pizza
  - Cheese Pizza
  - Crispy Chicken Sandwich

### LUNCH - MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Monday Feb. 4**
- Peppy Tortilla
  - Pork Fritter Sandwich
  - Fresh Baked Turkey & Cheese Sub
  - Crispy Chicken Salad with Roasted Flatbread
  - Pizza Snackable

- Tuesday Feb. 5**
- Beef Stroganoff
  - Corn Dog
  - Fresh Baked Ham & Cheese Sub
  - Crispy Chicken Deli Wrap
  - Chef Salad with Roasted Flatbread

- Wednesday Feb. 6**
- Turkey & Gravy with Dinner Roll
  - Baked Breaded Steak Fingers with Dinner Roll
  - Freshly Baked Egg Salad Sub
  - Turkey Combo Deli Wrap
  - Ham & Cheese Snackable

- Thursday Feb. 7**
- Pizza Hut Pizza
  - Spicy Chicken Sandwich
  - Fresh Baked Combo Sub
  - Roasted Ham & Cheddar Deli Wrap
  - Oriental Salad with Roasted Flatbread

### LUNCH - HIGH SCHOOL

- Monday Feb. 4**
- Peppy Tortilla
  - Pork Fritter Sandwich
  - Fresh Baked Turkey & Cheese Sub
  - Crispy Chicken Salad with Roasted Flatbread
  - Pizza Snackable

- Tuesday Feb. 5**
- Beef Stroganoff
  - Corn Dog
  - Fresh Baked Ham & Cheese Sub
  - Crispy Chicken Deli Wrap
  - Chef Salad with Roasted Flatbread

- Wednesday Feb. 6**
- Chef Demo Chicken Florentine Pasta
  - Turkey & Gravy with Dinner Roll
  - Baked Breaded Steak Fingers with Dinner Roll
  - Freshly Baked Egg Salad Sub
  - Turkey Combo Deli Wrap
  - Ham & Cheese Snackable

- Thursday Feb. 7**
- Spicy Chicken Sandwich
  - Cheese Pizza
  - Pepperoni Pizza
  - Fresh Baked Combo Sub
  - Ham & Cheddar Deli Wrap
  - Oriental Salad with Roasted Flatbread

### LUNCH - HIGH SCHOOL GRILL STATION

- Monday Feb. 4**
- Bacon Cheeseburger
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  - Fresh Baked Sausage Pizza

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  - Corn Dog

- Wednesday Feb. 6**
- Bacon Cheeseburger
  - Mozzarella Bosco Sticks with Marinara Dipping Sauce
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# Bronc BB Teams Both Mark in Win Column



Seniors Zane Rankin (5) and Carson Gubbrud (34) eye the ball in attempt to secure an offensive rebound battling Lead-Deadwood.



Tate Hostetter (3) and Taten Fox move toward the basket against Harding County defenders Jaxon Klempel (42) and Royale Elk Eagle (1)



Kaylin Garza (25) and Bella Jensen (31) apply double team pressure to Lead-Deadwood ball handler. -Courtesy Photos

### BOYS ACTION

#### CHRIS RILEY

#### Special to the Beacon

Belle Fourche matched up with Class B Harding County on Thursday, January 24 and came away with a hard-fought 68-56 win in boys' basketball action at the Ed Petranek Armory. The Broncos started sluggish, trailing 12-10 after one quarter, but outscored the Ranchers 58-44 the rest of the game to claim their second win in a row. After losing seven of eight games dating back to late December, Belle Fourche has now won two in a row and looks to have gained some confidence at the opportune time, as February brings a handful of regular season games remaining, all with conference and region seeding implications. After struggling to find consistent scoring in the first quarter, senior Tate Hostetter hit a three-pointer, followed by a Chandler Kerr jumper from the right baseline to give the Broncos a 15-14 lead less than two minutes into the second period. The game remained close throughout the first 16 minutes, as Belle Fourche led 32-28 at the break, but they would expand their lead after halftime working the ball into the paint and limiting Harding County's scoring opportunities. "It was nice to see us respond in the second half - I wish we would have come out like that in the first half but it was nice to see the boys get to the rim a little bit more, rebound, really crash the offensive boards, start finishing through contact, and respond to some adversity," Broncos head coach Clay Pottorff said. Just two minutes into the second half, Hostetter hit a break-away layup and junior Colby Nowowiejski followed with a three-pointer from the top of the key on the very next possession

to cap a 9-2 Belle Fourche run that pushed their advantage to 41-30. "Colby has a really good feel for the game and that threat of that outside shot really opens up things for Chandler and Kelby (Olson)," Pottorff said. The Broncos made seven three-point field goals in all, including three from Hostetter - all in the first half, and two from Nowowiejski - all in the second half. "Having those two guys (Hostetter and Nowowiejski) that teams have to worry about out on the perimeter really benefits our inside guys," Pottorff added. Kelby Olson led a balanced Belle Fourche offense as the junior scored 17 points. Kerr finished with 16 points and Hostetter had 15 points. "It's nice having three scoring options that seem to be starting to roll a little bit," Pottorff said. "They are all getting into their groove and it's good timing for it." The Broncos were 9 for 12 from the free-throw line, while their aggressive defense put Harding County on the line for 29 shots, but only 16 were converted (55%). For the Ranchers, Camden Hett scored 28 points (18 in the first half) and Zack Anders added 20 points as the pair of juniors accounted for all but eight of Harding County's 56 total points. Junior Tate Larson scored 14 of his 21 points in the first half - 12 of them on three-pointers - to power Belle Fourche to a 53-18 JV victory. Sophomore Lan Fuhrer added 11 points in the win, as the Broncos led 26-8 at half and kept rolling.

Varsity Box Score				
HC	12	28	39	56
BF	10	32	47	68

Belle Fourche traveled to Lead on Tuesday, January 22nd and came away with a

dominating 74-48 Black Hills Conference victory over the Lead-Deadwood Goldiggers in boys' basketball action. The win, their sixth of the year, snapped a three-game losing streak and showed just how dangerous the Broncos can be when their offense gets rolling. "We still need to sharpen up a few things offensively with getting more consistent ball movement, but I was pleased with the energy and the joy that the boys played with tonight," Belle Fourche head coach Clay Pottorff said following the win. Senior Tate Hostetter started things off on the right note, draining a three-pointer from the top of the key just 20 seconds into the contest. A Chandler Kerr three followed as the Broncos rolled out to a 7-0 lead that would only expand as the game wore on. Even though their offense scored the most points in a game yet this season Pottorff was quick to point out that the energy of his team is what fortified the contest right from the start. "They were getting on the floor after loose balls, they were in the passing lane, they were active and that's the boys that I know. It was fun to see them let loose tonight and play the game of basketball." Junior Kelby Olson led the Broncos with a game-high 20 points. Kerr, a senior, had four of Belle Fourche's 10 three-pointers to finish with 17 points while fellow senior Taten Fox added seven points in the win. Junior Jordy Stulken's 18 points paced the Goldiggers. Brentin Garza and Tate Larson scored 13 points apiece in the JV game to lead the Broncos to a 58-31 victory.

Varsity Box Score				
BF	14	35	56	74
LD	7	22	30	48

### "C" TEAM ACTION

Belle Fourche traveled to Rapid City Central High School on Thursday, January 24 to take on the Cobblers in a pair of "C" basketball games. In girls' action, a pair of eighth-grade post players led the Lady Broncos to a 45-41 win. Tia Williamson scored 11 points while Grace Clooten added eight points, as Belle Fourche carried a slight lead throughout the game. On the boys' side, the Cobblers outlasted the Broncos by a final of 40-23. Freshman Gabe Heck and sophomore Bryton Oedekeven scored eight points apiece to lead Belle Fourche.

### GIRLS ACTION

A strong third quarter powered the Belle Fourche Lady Broncos to a 59-35 Black Hills Conference victory over Lead-Deadwood on Tuesday, January 22nd in Lead. Coming off their first loss of the season, the Lady Broncos managed just 22 points in the first half but exploded for 25 points in the third quarter on the way to their 13th win of the season. "The first half we struggled settling for the outside shot and weren't working it inside," Belle Fourche head coach Bill Burr said. "(In the) second half we told them we didn't want the dribble, we wanted the pass and to work it inside." Lady Bronc senior Ashley Byrd scored nine of her game-high 14 points in the third quarter as Belle Fourche turned a seven-point edge at the half into a 17-point advantage entering the final quarter. Junior Harley Fischer added 11 points while seniors Payson Birkeland (10 points) and Rylee Young (nine points) also contributed to a very balanced scoring attack. "We don't rely on just one per-

son for offense, any one of the girls on the floor can score for us - that's what makes us so hard to defend," Burr added. Another big contributor was freshman Kaylin Garza, who added seven points and six rebounds in her biggest varsity role of the season thus far. "This is the first game (Kaylin) has seen this much action," Burr said. "She's young so we're trying to give her a little experience before playoff season." The Lady Broncos had another excellent night from the free-throw line, hitting 15 of 18 attempts (83%). When asked if there was any layover from their first loss of the season (at Bowman County, ND last Saturday) Burr said that his girls were completely focused on the game at hand. "It wasn't even on our mind - we came here for a conference game and were just focused on getting a win and now we're looking to the next one which is STM (in Rapid City on Tuesday, Jan. 29)." With the win, Belle Fourche moves to 13-1 on the year. Junior Natalie Janssen led the Goldiggers with nine points. Belle Fourche eighth-grader Chloe Crago scored all 12 of her points in the second half of the JV game to lead the Broncos to a 47-13 win. Taryn Stedillie added nine points while Tia Williamson grabbed six rebounds in the victory. Belle Fourche was an impressive 18 of 21 (86%) on free throws. In the C game, the Broncos captured a 34-23 win. Dylan Stedillie led the way with 10 points - all the second half, while Tia Williamson scored nine points - all in the first half.

Varsity Box Score				
BF	10	22	47	59
LD	7	15	30	35

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**Shopko's Situation**  
*Five things Belle Fourche residents may want to know.*

Shopko has filed for reorganization under Chapter 11 of our bankruptcy laws. They are closing their pharmacy business and 105 stores nationwide. Belle Fourche's location will remain open through the reorganization. The Wisconsin-based retailer has until March 14th to show a plan to move forward or face liquidation of the company.

**Why is Shopko important to our community?**  
 In a community like Belle Fourche, having a general merchandise store is important because it is more beneficial to have shoppers stay in the local community to do business. When citizens have to travel for goods, they tend to make several stops in neighboring communities for other merchandise and services, even stopping for lunch or dinner. That takes revenue away from the local economy. Also having a general merchandise retailer here is a draw for ranchers and farmers and their families.

**Will Belle Fourche Shopko employees and vendors be paid during the reorganization?**  
 Yes, according to the company's court filings. They have secured a \$50 million operating loan to keep things going through March and April.

**Can Belle Fourche be proactive in keeping our Shopko open?**  
 Good question. There are already efforts underway to explore the possibilities here in the event that the company decides further downsizing is needed. There are at least three instances where Shopko stores were on a closure list but were taken off the list after community-wide efforts. One store was in Stanley, ND, where the retail chain was able to negotiate a better rent after a community-wide petition to save the store. Also, Chamberlain was taken off the closure list after a similar community-wide effort. A third location was removed from closure list as the Shopko received rental concessions from the landlord for the store on 41st Street in Sioux Falls which will now remain open. More recently Custer did not have similar luck as they received a firm "no" from the corporate office for their efforts.

**Why is Shopko in this predicament?**  
 According to retail expert Nick Egeganian of SiteWorks Retail Real Estate Services, Shopko is a victim of the times as they are getting nicked from all sides. Online retail shopping is easy and convenient. That is part of the issue. Another is that Shopko is positioned as a "mid-box" retailer. They are being pinched by big box stores like Wal-Mart and Target and so-called "small-box" dollar merchandise stores that are the big trend right now.

**What about my prescription medicines that I get at Shopko?**  
 If they haven't already, the local store here in Belle Fourche will let you know where you can pick up prescriptions as the time comes. The pharmaceutical business will not be part of Shopko's future moving forward. Fortunately, residents in Belle Fourche have other local options, unlike some of the more isolated rural South Dakota communities that will see their stores and pharmacies closed.



**SHOPKO** From A1  
 recent sales trends, the geographic market in which the store is located, the potential to realize negotiated rent reductions with applicable landlords, and specific circumstances related to each store's performance.  
 Shopko says that an increase in online retail competition is a component in their current fiscal condition but perhaps even more of a factor is that the retailer is being pinched by

Wal-Mart and big box stores on one side and the growth of small box stores such as Dollar General on the other.  
 "This decision is a difficult, but necessary one," said Russ Steinhorst, Shopko Chief Executive Officer. "In a challenging retail environment, we have had to make some very tough choices, but we are confident that by operating a smaller and more focused store footprint, we will be able to build a stronger Shopko that will better

serve our customers, vendors, employees and other stakeholders through this process."  
 According to court filings Shopko has until March 14th to secure a reorganization plan sponsor or show that the company can finance operations post-bankruptcy. If not, the company will have to begin liquidation. In the interim, Shopko has received up to \$50 million in financing to continue operations through the reorganization.

**MUSEUM** From A3  
 a red and white checkered pattern, similar to the tablecloths that were popular in mid-20th century. Collections Archivist Rebecca Dagele has lined exhibit cases with this fabric and then filled them with kitchen utensils from various eras; some from the museum's collections and others loaned for the exhibit.  
 Vintage potato mashers, whisks, meat grinders, rolling pins, eggbeaters and mixing bowls will be on display. Of special note: a pink ice cube tray from the 1960s, when refrigerators were marketed in eye-popping colors and the ice cube trays within were color-coordinated.  
 Museum volunteers and supporters were asked to loan cookbooks for display, as the museum had few in its permanent collections. The response was enthusiastic and visitors will enjoy the assortment.  
 Cookbooks from local and area organizations as well as rare vintage cookbooks are included as well as unusual ones such as "Half Hours in the Kitchenette," published in 1925. There are also beautiful oversized cookbooks featuring recipes from national cuisines throughout the world.  
 Museum volunteer Bob Williams built a special display case with open shelves on which to exhibit the many cook-

books, which visitors will be encouraged to examine.  
 "Someone's in the Kitchen" will also offer education and entertainment for younger "chefs." A children's table will have several books about cooking and food; a chef's hat, aprons for girls and boys, coloring sheets and a free take-home packet about cooking and food. There are also some pint-sized metal pots, pans and utensils, for those who wish to do some imaginary cooking.  
 Tri-State Assistant Director Jean Maher labored for weeks to pull together the design of the exhibit and the mounting of photos and storyboards. She feels this exhibit will be meaningful to visitors, whether they are cooks or merely those who appreciate the history of cooking.  
 "The kitchen is the heart of the home," said Maher, "and so many of the good things in our life come out of it."  
 "Someone's in the Kitchen" is in place through May 6. The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche. It is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge to visit the museum or the new exhibit. For more information about "Someone's In the Kitchen," and the further information about the Tri-State, please call 605-723-1200.

From Page A1  
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By: Doug Cole

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man (owned the dealership now Scott Peterson Motors before Scott and Susan)- after hearing me out about my employee troubles asked me, "Do you know the right time to fire an employee?"

I started to expound fair labor standards and a proper communication rational when he stopped me and said, "No. The right time to fire an employee is the first time it crosses your mind. If you've reached a point where that is what you are thinking it is already late to remedy the situation. No help is better than bad help."

Might have been the best advice I've ever received on labor relations.

Need to do a bit of house-keeping here. I mentioned once before that we misspell a name, or make a few mistakes in producing the paper just to see if you're reading it.

That was a bit tongue in check, but occasionally we owe

a correction.

We printed an error a short while ago when we stated that Bonnie Rosander accepted a check on behalf of the Senior Citizens Center from the First Interstate Bank Festival of Trees fund raiser.

That was incorrect. Bonnie accepted the gift on behalf of "Meals on Wheels". A donation to Meals on Wheels is not a donation to the Senior Citizens Center or vice-a-versa. Please accept our apologies for any confusion this may have caused.

February 2nd is Groundhog Day. Never have been able to be in Punxsutawney, PA to witness if there is a shadow or not, but we have made a family pastime every passing year of watching the 1993 Bill Murray movie, "Groundhog Day". Entertaining way to celebrate the "so called" Holiday.



Heard a leather skinned old rancher say years ago "if you want to make winter go by fast, the best way is to have a note due at the bank in the spring."

Read somewhere, if the weather didn't change, nine out of ten people wouldn't know how to start a conversation.

If the weather forecasters could be more like groundhogs they would deliver their predictions and then disappear too.

We've always wondered how they can go on television, tell you with convincing certainty what the weather will be on the weekend; miss by a mile; come back on air the day after the blunder; and with a straight face, make you believe they had forecast what actually happened.

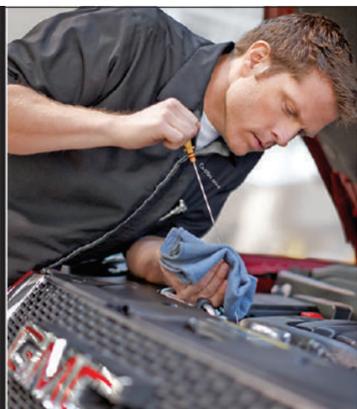
Do you suppose there is any correlation between forecasting the weather and forecasting the Oscars? It does seem like the Oscars have a bit of "whatever way the wind is blowing" to them.

It is frequently asked, "Why must February have only 28 days? Why can't you borrow one day from the end of January and one day from the beginning of March and make all three months 30 days long?" The answer is that while you can end January on the 30th, you can't begin March on the 2nd. ??

Took in part of the BF Invitational Wrestling Tournament this past weekend.

Did you ever notice that at a wrestling event, no matter how large the crowd is, you can always pick out the parents of the kids wrestling? Sometimes they twist and turn with more exertion and agony than the participants on the mat.

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**Cattle Report - Friday, January 18, 2018**

Right At 1500 Bred Cows Today - Full House Of Buyers

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**Bred Hfrs & Cows - Sold By The Hd**

Warner, Adam, Rozet WY	31	Blk 3 Years	1260	\$1,700.00
Warner, Adam, Rozet WY	13	Blk 3 Years	1129	\$1,700.00
Warner, Adam, Rozet WY	32	Blk 3 Years	1117	\$1,700.00
Warner, Adam, Rozet WY	18	Blk 3 Years	1117	\$1,735.00
Warner, Adam, Rozet WY	50	Bldd 3 Years	1111	\$1,730.00
Lone Tree Ranch, Newcastle WY	149	Blk 3 Years	1092	\$1,700.00
Ellsbury Livestock Llc, Sundance WY	40	Blk Hfr	1080	\$1,575.00
Ellsbury Livestock Llc, Sundance WY	31	Blk Hfr	1050	\$1,500.00
Arlege Ranch,Robert Lee TX	58	Blk Hfr	983	\$1,360.00
Arlege Ranch,Robert Lee TX	41	Bld Hfr	940	\$1,300.00
Arlege Ranch,Robert Lee TX	16	Blk Hfr	1012	\$1,400.00
Arlege Ranch,Robert Lee TX	21	Blk Mix	1499	\$935.00
Hansen & Sons, Ken & Pam, Fruitdale SD	21	Blk Hfr	1084	\$1,550.00
Hansen & Sons, Ken & Pam, Fruitdale SD	10	Blk Hfr	1049	\$1,450.00
Hansen & Sons, Ken & Pam, Fruitdale SD	20	Blk 3 Years	1066	\$1,460.00
Hook, Lenord W & Carolyn J, Alva WY	15	Blk Hfr	1036	\$1,400.00
Hook, Lenord W & Carolyn J, Alva WY	14	Blk Hfr	1017	\$1,435.00
Minow Ranch Inc, Olive MT	4	Blk Broken	1525	\$1,050.00
Minow Ranch Inc, Olive MT	38	Blk Broken	1458	\$1,020.00
Morgan, Farren E. & Sheryl A, Gillette WY	35	Blk Hfr	1043	\$1,575.00
Reder Cattle Co Llc, Fruitdale SD	26	Bldd Hfr	988	\$1,450.00
Whitney Ranch , Newcastle WY	5	Rbl Broken	1456	\$900.00
Whitney Ranch , Newcastle WY	4	Broken	1521	\$950.00

**Weigh Up Cows**

Brence, Charles, Ekalaka MT	3	Blk Cow	1595	\$53.00
Brence, Charles, Ekalaka MT	4	Bld Cow	1372	\$57.50
Brence, Greg, Ekalaka MT	2	Blk Cow	1430	\$56.50
Capitol Llc, Capitol MT	1	Blk Cwette	1150	\$78.00
Capitol Llc, Capitol MT	1	Blk Cow	1140	\$61.00
Foothills Ranch Inc, St Onge SD	2	Blk Cow	1515	\$55.00
Foothills Ranch Inc, St Onge SD	2	Blk Cow	1482	\$52.50
Foothills Ranch Inc, St Onge SD	1	Blk Cow	1375	\$54.00
Foothills Ranch Inc, St Onge SD	1	Blk Cow	1275	\$54.50
Foothills Ranch Inc, St Onge SD	1	Blk Cow	1270	\$72.00
Foothills Ranch Inc, St Onge SD	3	Blk Cow	1266	\$57.50
Goodvin, Terry, Hulet WY	2	Blk Cow	1325	\$57.00
Kieffer, Mark, Rapid City SD	1	Blk Cow	1110	\$71.00
Myers, James H Or Mary M, Belle Fourche SD	3	Blk Cow	1575	\$52.00
Myers, James H Or Mary M, Belle Fourche SD	2	Blk Cow	1477	\$53.00
Myers, James H Or Mary M, Belle Fourche SD	1	Blk Cow	1405	\$58.50
Myers, James H Or Mary M, Belle Fourche SD	3	Blk Cow	1281	\$71.00
Myers, James H Or Mary M, Belle Fourche SD	1	Blk Cwette	1140	\$78.00
Polsky, Revoc Trust, Ivan F, Upton WY	3	Blk Hfr	846	\$126.00
Randall, Ray, Broadus MT	9	Blk Cwette	1100	\$80.00
Sigman, Bryce Or Sandra, Sturgis SD	1	Cow	1500	\$54.00

**Weigh Up Bulls**

Ryan Xz Ranch Llc, Aladdin WY	1	Herf Bull	2040	\$75.00
Ryan Xz Ranch Llc, Aladdin WY	1	Bull	1970	\$75.50

**2019 BULL SALES**

February 15th - Lewis Brothers Bull Sale  
Mar 29th - Wilson Ranch Simangus Bull Sale  
April 8th - Baker Lemar Angus Bull Sale  
April 27th - Turn-Out Bull Sale

**Friday - February 1, 2019  
No Sale**

Go Enjoy the Black Hills Stock Show

**Friday - February 8, 2019**

**Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special**  
9:00 am - Weigh Ups  
Noon - Bred Cows Followed By Calves

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**Calves**

MT - 370 Blk Strs & Hfrs 550-725# - Bt Pc Home Raised  
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MT - 145 Blk & Charx Strs & Hfrs - 600-700# - Bt, Pc, Poured  
MT - 130 Mostly Blk Strs & Hfrs - 600-700# - Bt, Pc, Poured  
SD - 125 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 500-650# - Bt, Pc  
WY - 100 Herf & F1 Bldy Strs - 650-750# - Bt, Pc, Home Raised  
SD - 80 Blk & Red Strs & Hfrs - 600-700# - Bt, Pc, Df  
MT - 70 Herf Hfrs - 600-675# - Bt, Pc, Bv, Replacement Quality  
SD - 70 Blk & Herf Strs - 750-825# - Bt, Pc  
SD - 40 Herf & Blk Bldy Strs - 550-650# - Bt, Pc, Ni  
MT - 35 Blk Bulls - 900-1000# - Bt, Pc, Poured  
SD - 30 Herf Hfrs - 500-600# - Bt, Pc, Bv  
WY - 17 Herf Strs - 600-650# - Bt, Pc, Poured  
WY - 15 Red Angus Hfrs - 600-675# Bt Pc Bv  
SD - 14 Herf Hfrs - 450-525# - Bt, Pc, Ni  
SD - 14 Blk Bldy F1 Hfrs - 575-625# - Bt, Pc, Ni  
WY - 12 F-1 Bldy Hfrs - 675-725# - Bt, Pc, Bv, Fancy  
**Plus More By Sale Time!**

**2019 CATTLE SALES**

February 1st - No Sale - Go Enjoy The Black Hills Stock Cow  
February 8th - Feeder Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
February 15th - Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
February 22nd - Feeder Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
March 1st - Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
**THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR BUSINESS!**

St Onge Livestock would like to announce a Brand New 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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**Sheep Report - January 24, 2019**

Feeder Lambs Sold \$6 To \$10 Higher This Week  
Slaughter Ewes Sold \$5 Lower

Next Sale - February 7th - Bred Ewe Special  
Thank You For Your Business!

**Feeder Lambs**

Green, John, Lodge Pole SD	12	Lambs	79	\$202.00
Green, John, Lodge Pole SD	8	Lambs	94	\$180.00
Henry, Gale, Harrison NE	64	Lambs	102	\$168.00
Henry, Gale, Harrison NE	53	Lambs	125	\$137.00
Jensen, Andrew, Newell SD	13	Lambs	70	\$202.00
Jensen, Andrew, Newell SD	6	Lambs	59	\$212.00
Parks, Leroy, Nisland SD	103	Lambs	110	\$148.50
Rosencranz, Todd, Belle Fourche SD	39	Lambs	105	\$163.00
Secrest, Shannon Or Ashley, Buffalo SD	12	Lambs	107	\$162.00
4 K Feeders, Nisland SD	40	Lambs	118	\$141.00

**Slaughter Ewes**

4 K Feeders, Nisland SD	11	Kir Ewe	150	\$54.00
4 K Feeders, Nisland SD	140	Kir Ewe	172	\$53.00
Henry, Gale, Harrison NE	6	Kir Ewe	161	\$50.00
Henry, Gale, Harrison NE	11	Kir Ewe	199	\$49.00
Williams, Charlie, Alzada MT	8	Kir Ewe	177	\$53.00

**NEWELL SHEEP YARDS**

January 31, 2019

No Sale

Take in Sheep Day at the Black Hills Stock Show

February 7, 2019

1:00 PM

Bred Ewe Special

Plus More By Sale Time!

**Upcoming Sheep Sale 2019**

JANUARY 31st - NO SALE - Go Participate in Sheep Day at the Black Hills Stock Show  
FEBRUARY 7th - BRED EWES SPECIAL - Selling All Classes of Sheep & Goats  
FEBRUARY 14th - REGULAR SALE - Selling All Classes of Sheep & Goats  
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**Work on National St. Continues**



**"TRENCHING" ALONG** - Our recent cold weather snap has not allowed workers on National Street to make up for lost time due to snow. However progress is being made. As you can see above the excavator has worked it's way across most of the street and back filled behind it where the sewer main has been placed. Half of the bridge paving for the Hay Creek culvert just to the east has been completed. If the present pace of work continues, motorists can expect National Street to be open in the first part of February. - *Beacon photo*

**SIDING** From A1

be utilized in building the road which will allow drive through access by large trucks who position themselves to off-load or load freight at the site onto rail cars. As it is, the current road surface is nearly always muddy so the gravel will be a major improvement.

With the improvements, trucks will soon be able to enter the site from the south and exit to the north (or vice versa), without having to turn around. Work will begin soon and it is planned that the road will be ready for use in time for an expected surge in activity at the transload site this coming March.

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Saddle Bronc:  
8. **Cole Elshere** Faith SD \$7,962.51  
15. **JJ Elshere** Hereford SD \$6,463.38

Bull Riding:  
9. **Jeff Bertus** Avon SD \$9,106.82

Steer Roping:  
9. **Ora Taton** Rapid City SD \$5,346.86

WPRA:  
10. **Lisa Lockhart Oelrichs**, SD \$9,173.82

Tie Down:  
11. **Clint Kindred** Oral SD \$7,317.92



**Game, Fish and Parks Offers Summer Employment Opportunities**

PIERRE, S.D. – The deadline is fast approaching to apply for summer employment with the South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP). The department offers a variety of summer employment opportunities across the state. State park positions include general maintenance, entrance station attendant, maintenance worker, campground attendant, law enforcement, heavy equipment operator and naturalist/programmer positions. Positions with the Division of Wildlife include habitat technician and fisheries technician. Most listings have multiple positions available. All applicants must be at least 17 years of age and available to work mid-May through Labor Day. Applications received after the Feb. 16 deadline will only be considered for any remaining positions.

Applications must be submitted online or postmarked no later than Feb. 16. A complete list of seasonal jobs is available at [bhr.sd.gov/job-seekers/seasonal/gfp/](http://bhr.sd.gov/job-seekers/seasonal/gfp/). Several state parks also offer seasonal work camper positions. Work campers are paid an hourly wage but live on-site for a discounted per night campsite fee. Workers provide their own housing and personal items. Applications are taken until positions are filled. [gfp.sd.gov/seasonal/](http://gfp.sd.gov/seasonal/) Internships with GFP are available through Executive Intern Program positions. To qualify for an internship, applicants must be full-time students of at least sophomore standing and currently be enrolled at a college, university or vocational-technical institute. For the complete internship listing and to apply, visit [bhr.sd.gov/job-seekers/internship/](http://bhr.sd.gov/job-seekers/internship/).



**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.

**I Never...**

Written by Chris Isaacs

Chris Isaacs is the author of some of my favorite poems.  
Used with his permission.  
\* \* \*  
I never saw the Old West  
It was gone before my time,  
Just the stories told by some old gray haired men.  
And the memories of those tellers  
Fed dreams for guys like Me  
Helped imagine how it must have been back then.  
"Cuz I never saw the great cattle drives  
Before fences cut the land.  
Never saw the mighty herds of Buffalo.  
Didn't see the Conestoga Wagons  
Nor viewed the rivers running free  
Before the dams that all but stopped their flow.  
The Sioux and bold Apache  
Who fought to halt the tide,  
Were gone to reservation 'fore my time.  
The outlaws and the bad men,  
The lawmen bold and brave,  
Were distant memories long before my prime.  
The stage coach and freight wagons  
That transported folks and goods  
Were replaced by trains and airplanes in my youth.  
I was still a young man when Armstrong  
Took that "giant leap for mankind"  
And proved that ol' Jules Vern had told the truth.  
The Old West was just a memory  
When I was still a kid.  
Stories told by old men who'd lived it when still young.  
They made it come alive for me,  
And those pictures in my mind

That they painted rolled like honey off their tongue.  
But I was here to see some of the workings  
Before the old ways were all gone,  
Like a buckboard parked in front of a corner store  
With horses standing on three legs;  
Their tails swishing at the flies  
While the driver visited friends there by the door.  
I remember when cattle still had the right of way  
And grazed all up and down the road;  
When Arizona still had lots of open range.  
When team roping was still tie down  
And we'd never heard of Goose Necks  
And Cowboys in town didn't seem so strange.  
And I saw the glow of a Brandin' Fire  
Made by Mesquite or Pinion coals  
Long before the days of the noisy Butane blast.  
Calf tables and Burdizos  
Were still some years away  
And I thought the Tried and True would surely last.  
But while I was lookin' backwards  
And tryin' so hard to hang on  
To a way of life that was changing every day,  
The future over took me;  
Just ran rough shod up my back  
In spite of anything that I could do or say.  
And, I never saw the Old West,  
It was gone before my time.  
Just the stories told by those old gray haired men.  
Memories for the tellers,  
Dreams for guys like me,  
And I wish to God those times could come again.

The Good Stuff was developed for radio by Jim Thompson nearly 2 decades ago. The Beacon is the only newspaper that it appears in. You can hear The Good Stuff in the Northern Black Hills on KBHB Sturgis, 810AM each weekday morning at 9:30. Or go online to [KNKL.org](http://KNKL.org) each Monday through Saturday morning at 9:00

**Black Hills Angus Association Names Lueders Foods Business of the Year**



**WE HAVE THE BEEF** - Doug Lueder (center) of Lueders Food Centers in Belle Fourche and Spearfish was honored as the 2019 Business of the Year by the Black Hills Angus Association. The award presentation was made on Sunday Jan. 27 at the association's annual banquet held in conjunction with the Black Hills Stock Show in Rapid City. Lueder is flanked by Black Hills Angus Association Vice President Craig Kukuchka of Belle Fourche (l) and Association President T.J. Gabriel of Midland (r). According to the BHAA, Lueders Food Centers, located in the heart of beef country, is one of the highest marketers of beef products in the nation.

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## Pattern Development Presents Plan of Action

COLLEEN BRUNNER

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NEWELL – The Blue Line Diner was the place to be on Friday morning, January 25, as Pattern Development hosted a free breakfast for those who wanted to learn more about the Willow Creek Windfarm that will start construction this summer. Those representatives, along with John O’Meara of Wind Quarry, the original company who got the ball rolling, visited with a steady stream of people from the local, and not so local area. A landowner informational dinner was held on Thursday night in Newell, after the company had presented updated information about the project to the Butte County Commissioners at their regular monthly meeting on Thursday afternoon. Project Development Manager James Madson, Construction Manager Michael Thompson, and another company representative, Paul Crossland, shared information about the project. (See more info about the project in the Butte County Commissioner article).

Some land owners John O. Miller and Diana Scolland of Owl Butte, S.D., made the trip, as well as Darrel and Connie Mickelson of Enning, to learn more about the project. Other local people made up the remainder of those who came from 7 to 10 a.m. to eat and learn more.



**WIND FARM RAISES AWARENESS** - It was standing room only at the Blue Line Diner on Friday as Pattern Development hosted a free breakfast where people could ask questions of the company about the Willow Creek Wind Farm. - Brunner photo

## County Commissioners Hear Pattern Proposal

COLLEEN BRUNNER

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BELLE FOURCHE – Pattern Development, the company who currently owns the Willow Creek Wind Farm project, and plans to begin construction in

June or July of this year, presented a wealth of information to the Butte County Commission at their regular meeting on Thursday afternoon, January 24. Project Development Manager James Madson shared the major share of the information to the board, but he also brought along three associates, Construction Manager, Michael Thompson, Engineer Paul Crossland, and John O’Meara of Wind Quarry, the original owners of the project.

The project which will be located northwest of Highway 212, east of Newell, will cover approximately 20,000 acres and include 38 turbines, to provide 103.5 MGW of power. This will be absorbed into the Western Association Power grid. “We plan to start construction

WIND FARM B4



**MEETING THE TEAM** - Members of the Pattern Development Company, working on the Willow Creek Wind Farm, came to present information to the Butte County Commissioners at their meeting. From left: Construction Manager Michael Thompson, Project Manager James Madson, Wind Quarry owner John O’Meara, and Engineer Paul Crossland. - Colleen Brunner photo



**PROPOSED SITE** - Pattern Development Project Manager James Madson, points out the location of the Willow Creek Wind Farm on the large Butte County map in the commission room, during the recent meeting. - Brunner photo

## Newell City Commission Talks Garbage

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NEWELL – The Newell city commission on January 14, talked garbage. That is they considered the lone bid they received from Refuse Solutions Incorporated, (RSI) for garbage pickup in the town. The bid was \$10.50 for residential pickup, which is more than in the past. “It looks like we’ll have to raise our rates,” said Mayor Ken Wetz.

According to the owner of the business, Randy Ruby, who was in attendance, there would be an improvement of services with the company providing larger,

96-gallon, containers.

“It’s like three normal garbage cans,” said Ruby. “It will help us to automate some of the equipment and make pickup easier.” He also stated that there might be some other changes such as switching containers from alleys to the street.

Commissioner Connie Humble questioned the use of the larger containers saying she had no place for them at her residence.

“If they’re light enough to roll around and you don’t have curb, they’ll roll away,” said Humble. “If you’re going to require that everyone has them then we need to talk.”

RSI is a family-owned and operated company that was purchased in 2009 by the Ruby family. It includes Randy and Teresa Ruby and Tony and Becky Dean. The company was formerly named Trash Busters. It also includes a recycling facility.

“I think we’ll need to discuss this further,” said Wetz. “Why don’t you bring some and we’ll try them.”

Tim Grozs of Brozs Engineering came to discuss the water project that is in the process of being set in motion. Grozs said the project would cost around \$540,000 and take three-months.

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**WIND FARM B3**  
in June or July with a projected completion date of May 2020," said Madsen.

The equipment, as well as turbine components, will all come from the east, along Highway 212, so most trucks will not pass through the towns of Newell or Belle Fourche.

The company will hire as much local labor as they can during the construction phase, which will include around 175 workers.

The company will purchase

locally approximately 280,000 yards of concrete, and will also have needs for gravel, excavation and fire and EMS service availability.

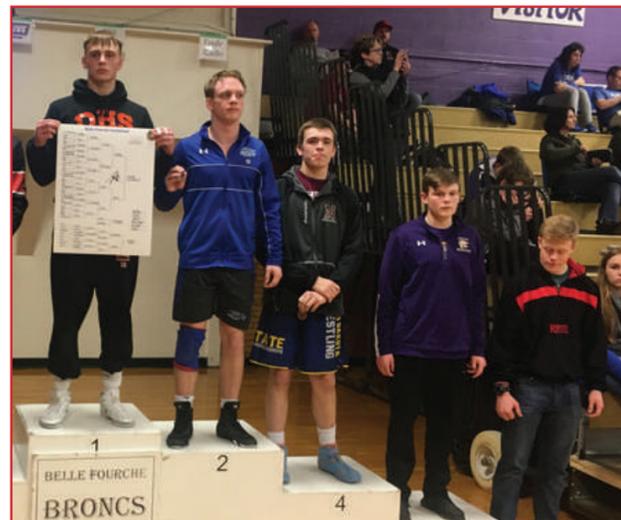
"The project has an approximate 25-year lifespan," said Madsen. He did also share that the company must supply a \$5 million bond for the entirety of the project, for reclamation purposes.

Pattern Development will be supplying a fact sheet for the board to help answer any further questions.



**RENEWABLE CONVERSATIONS** - James Madsen, Pattern Development Project Manager, (front left) talks with Darrel and Connie Mickelson of Enning about the Willow Creek Wind Farm north of Newell at the free breakfast at the Blue Line Diner on Friday. - Brunner photo

**Newell Grapplers Finish 14th at Belle Tourney**  
Caleb McGregor tops the podium for the Irrigators with a 4th place finish.



**BELLE FOURCHE** - The Newell Irrigators tallied 42 points to finish 14th in the 22-team Belle Fourche Invitational wrestling tournament Jan. 25-26.

At 160, Freshman Caleb McGregor (above photo in center) went 4-2 during the tournament, advancing to the championship round final four before losing to eventual champion Tate Nordby of Dickinson. In the wrestlebacks McGregor pinned his semi-final opponent, Elijah Steele of Custer at 2:08 and

then dropped the consolation final to Sturgis' Brett Konst. McGregor racked up two pins during the weekend improving his overall record to 25-15.

Also placing for Newell were Senior Marvin King at 145 who finished 6th and Freshman Chase VanDerBoom who finished 7th in 113 weight class.

King recorded pins in 2 of his 3 weekend wins to improve to 17-10 on the season. VanDerBoom also pinned two opponents, going 3-2 to improve to 21-15 on the season.

**NEWELL SPORTS**



**EYEING THE BUCKET** - Payton Burtzlaff put up an impressive 22 points for Newell against the New Underwood Tigers on Tuesday but it was not enough for the victory. - Brunner photo

**Irrigators Come up Short at Home**

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The Newell Irrigators hosted the New Underwood Tigers on Tuesday night and came away with a disappointing loss. Even though Payton Burtzlaff racked up an impressive 22 points, for game high, and teammates Brock Kjellson with 14 and Huttson Weeldreyer with 10, added to the scoreboard, the team could not prevail. The final was 59-52.

New Underwood started pushing the lead right from the beginning as they wrapped

up the first quarter up 15-7. Burtzlaff started his push in the second period with a trey, but at the half-time break Newell was down by 13, 33-20.

Newell Coach Trev Fielder constantly talks about the tale of two halves, and that was the case again in this game, as the Irrigators made a big push, outscoring the Tigers 21-16 in the third and 11-10 in the fourth. It was not enough to make up the deficit though.

The Irrigators split a pair of games on the road last weekend. Dropping a 63-40 decision

to Faith and then rebounding with their third road win of the year at Philip, 60-46. It was Irrigators best offensive output since a road win at Hulett earlier in January.

The girl's team did not fare as well on the road trip. They lost to both Faith and Philip after having put together back-to-back wins at home against Custer and Hulett. Their game with Sundance has been postponed due to the weather and is rescheduled for Monday, February 4th.

**BOY'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE & RESULTS**

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score	W/L	*Seed Pts.
Dec 08	5:30 p.m. CT	Bison	Bison	41-52	L	36
Dec 11	7:30 p.m. MT	Lead-Deadwood	Newell	33-46	L	35
Dec 14	5:30 p.m. MT	Tiospaye Topa	Newell	54-43	W	44
Dec 20	4:00 p.m. MT	Dupree	Dupree	68-55	W	41
Jan 03	7:00 p.m. MT	Sundance, WY	Sundance, WY	37-47	L	36
Jan 04	5:00 p.m. MT	Lemmon	Newell	61-71	L	39
Jan 05	4:30 p.m. MT	McIntosh	Newell	65-44	W	41
Jan 11	3:00 p.m. MT	Upton, WY	Newell	54-62	L	39
Jan 11	4:30 p.m. MT	New Underwood	Newell	45-22	W	41
Jan 12	2:00 p.m. MT	Edgemont	Rapid City	47-48	L	36
Jan 17	7:39 p.m. MT	Custer	Newell	43-77	L	38
Jan 18	7:30 p.m. MT	Hulett, WY	Hulett, WY	70-50	W	
Jan 22	5:30 p.m. MT	New Underwood	Newell	52-59	L	30
Jan 25	7:30 p.m. MT	Faith	Faith	40-63	L	36
Jan 26	1:00 p.m. MT	Philip	Philip	60-46	W	
Jan 31	7:30 p.m. MT	Hill City	Newell			
Feb 04	4:00 p.m. Mt	Oelrichs	Oelrichs			

**GIRL'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE & RESULTS**

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score	W/L	*Seed Pts.
Dec 08	1:00 p.m. MT	Bison	Bison	66-30	W	41
Dec 11	5:30 p.m. MT	Lead-Deadwood	Newell	43-49	L	35
Dec 14	4:30 p.m. MT	Tiospaye Topa	Newell	58-41	W	41
Dec 18	6:30 p.m. MT	Wall	Wall	52-67	L	39
Dec 20	4:00 p.m. MT	Dupree	Dupree	48-66	L	36
Jan 04	5:00 p.m. MT	Lemmon	Newell	51-54	L	33
Jan 05	3:00 p.m. MT	McIntosh	Newell	54-34	W	47
Jan 08	7:30 p.m. MT	Rapid City Christian	Newell	54-43	W	49
Jan 11	6:00 p.m. MT	Faith	Newell	33-71	L	39
Jan 12	3:30 p.m. MT	Moorcroft, WY	Rapid City-Civic Center	48-57	L	38
Jan 17	3:00 p.m. MT	Custer	Newell	36-23	W	46
Jan 18	6:00 p.m. MT	Hulett, WY	Newell	65-13	W	41
Jan 25	6:00 p.m. MT	Faith	Faith	27-49	L	39
Jan 26	1:00 p.m. MT	Philip	Philip	30-49	L	33
Jan 28	7:00 p.m. MT	Sundance, WY	Sundance, WY	PPD		
Jan 31	6:00 p.m. MT	Hill City	Newell			
Feb 08	4:00 p.m. MT	Timber Lake	Newell			



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## Commissioners Put Brakes on Administrative Building Upgrade

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BELLE FOURCHE – The county commissioners met on Thursday afternoon, January 24, and put the brakes on a project that was amounting to more than \$40,000 if finished in its entirety.

Prior to this meeting, Sheriff Fred Lamphere, was instructed to prepare figures on an update in security for the county administration building, including significant lock changes with fobs for employees. That figure had originally been logged in at a bit over \$22,000 for the first phase.

Lamphere had been asked to check the difference that it would be if cameras were included and the extra wiring that would be needed for that process.

That added another \$22,000 plus to the amount. At that point the commissioners decided that was a bit much over what they were prepared to spend.

“There are some new grants

for places that are for (remodeling) places for elections,” said Auditor Elaine Jensen. “And our administrative offices are used for elections.”

At the end of the discussion period the item was tabled until further research can be done into alternative funding since this large amount is not budgeted.

In other commission news they met with officials from the TransCanada Pipeline project in a closed-door session to discuss legal and contractual information. The commission, at a previous meeting, had approved a contract with Falk County to potentially house prisoners, should that need arise, due to protests over the construction of the pipeline, which will not actually go through Butte County.

TransCanada plans to start construction this year and concerns have risen to the surface at the commission meetings about a potential jail shortage. No action was taken after the executive session.



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Dated January 21, 2019 - Bruce E. Brunner  
Co-Executor of the last will and testament of Edward V. Brunner, deceased.

## Looking Back in Belle

These articles come from newspaper microfilm at the Belle Fourche Public library. The photographs are from the Tri-State Museum.

### 100 years ago – The Northwest Post January 23 and February 6, 1919

*War Won, But Not Ended Senator Gronna of North Dakota Says Readjustment Days Need Aid of Every Citizen*

“The war has been won, but has not ended. The days of readjustment will demand the cooperation and intelligent aid of every loyal American citizen. Money must be raised to defray war bills which will worry the guardians of the nation’s financial destiny for some time to come. Patriotic, constructive aid can be rendered the Government now by even the smallest wage earner, and in such a manner as to make his patriotic effort a boomerang of good fortune.”

### \$10,000 Fire Last Saturday Night E. T. Soper’s Big Barn and Contents Totally Destroyed.

E. T. Soper’s big stock ranch on Hay Creek, about eleven miles west of Belle Fourche, was the scene of a most disastrous conflagration last Saturday evening, when property to the value of between \$8,000 and \$10,000 went up in smoke. The blaze was discovered at eight o’clock in the evening, when the huge barn, a structure about 60 x 100 feet, was found in flames. So quickly did the fire spread that it was impossible to save any of the contents and

in a few minutes the loss was complete. Six head of fine horses, including a stallion valued at \$800, perished in the flames.

About 120 tons of hay, 500 bushels of oats, all of the harness, machinery, tools, etc., was destroyed. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is believed that spontaneous combustion in the hay loft may have started the blaze. Mr. Soper is absent in California, having left a few weeks ago to spend the winter.

### 75 years ago Belle Fourche Bee January 27, 1944 Oil Test – Gustave

Actual work will not begin on the oil test to be put down in southern Harding County until April according to Delos Miller of Baker, Mont. The derrick for the drilling outfit and other equipment has been set up for the test which is to be another deep one.

### Former Belle Fourche Boy Given Captain Commission

David Cole, son of Peter Cole of Belle Fourche, who left recently returning to his duties in the service after a 30 day furlough spent here with the home folks, writes that he reached his destination in Panama all right, traveling on the Pan American airways. He has received the commission of captain and has a new job, mostly in the office, but is not sure he will

After the 1895 fire, T. A. Vaughan located his store in the new Scotney building, presently Robb’s on State & 6th Ave



like that as well as outdoor duty. Previously David was a lieutenant and some of his work was instructor in English and in Spanish. Being able to speak Spanish, it was his duty to give commands to the Puerto Rican army as the soldiers were unable to understand English.

After about 15 months in the U. S. service, nine months of which has been spent overseas, Frederick Bunney has been honorably discharged and returned home. He has been visiting here with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bunney, and with his wife, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Whalen in Newell.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Vigoren arrived Sunday from Toppensish, Washington, for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Herman Berglund, and son, Max Vigoren. Max is scheduled to leave for induction into the military service some time next week.

### 50 years ago Belle Fourche Bee February 7, 1969 Belle Chamber Hears Business Center Report

What is Belle Fourche going to do about improving its business district? That was the question behind the program at the noon luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce Monday when Francis Chichester of Brady Engineers reported on the progress to date in the central business district phase of the comprehensive plan which Brady Engineers is preparing for the city of Belle Fourche. Chichester pointed out that the business district is the heart of any community. If a town is to maintain growth it must maintain an active, thriving central business district. At present, the

by Mary Buchholz



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123 Years Ago  
Belle Fourche Times  
January 30, 1896



business district represents 20 to 23 per cent of the assessed valuation of Belle Fourche and transacts about 90 per cent of the business. The local district includes a two block area from Fifth to Seventh Avenues and from Falk street to State street.

### Broncs Set Record in 106 to 63 Victory

Belle Fourche’s Broncs cracked the century mark Jan. 31 for the first time in the school’s history. Coach Dave Wolsky’s chargers roared to a 106-63 win over Douglas on Douglas’ court in a game that was never a contest. The high point in the game came with about one minute left as the Broncs, having topped 90, were trying to make 100 points. They went over the hump when Randy Brooker pumped in the big one. Joel Paulson added two free throws and two field goals after that to make it 106.

### Rites Saturday for Mrs. Clyde Harshfield

Funeral services will be held here Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Clyde (Irma) Harshfield, 77, who died Tuesday at the John Burns Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Irma (Simmons) Harshfield, was the first female child born in Belle Fourche – March 31, 1891, the year the town was created. She grew up in Belle Fourche, attended school there and had lived in the community all her life.

### While We Shivered...

While we were shivering in -15 and below temperatures, Stockgrower neighbors were cruising around Hawaii in the sunshine. They were attending the annual convention of the American National Cattlemen’s Assn. at Honolulu. In the group are Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bickerdyke, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Buck, Mr. and Mrs. John Giacometto, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Flasted, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arbuckle, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Enerson, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Castleberry, all Tri-State ranchers. Others attending the meetings are Mr. and Mrs. John Catron, Mr. and Mrs. James Newland, Mr. and Mrs. Harlen Teigen, Mr. and Mrs. Keith McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Larson and Mary Larson, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Craigo and Cliff, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cundy.



123 Years Ago - Belle Fourche Times January 23, 1896 The Butte County bank is almost complete. The painting and plumbing is being finished up, and a few more days will find new bank furniture in place. Presently Wells Fargo, State & 6th Ave

## Profile: Laney Mackaben Belle Fourche FFA

Laney Mackaben, Belle Fourche FFA chapter. Laney is a sophomore at the Belle Fourche High School. Her favorite part of FFA is getting to meet new people from across the state and being able to compete with skills that will hold a lot of importance in the future. Laney's future includes going to college to get a degree in veterinary engineering. Then she hopes to go onto vet science and become a veterinary engineer. Laney's SAE project is her entrepreneurship of raising commercial cow calf operation. Along with this SAE Laney uses many different parts of the ranching SAE for various reasons.

FFA chapter will be selling fruit starting Feb. 8th. Reach out to any FFA member to place an order.



## Tom Brunner, District 29 House Reports

PIERRE: The beginning of the 2019 South Dakota legislative session is off to a great start. In the first week we heard the new governor give her State of the State address. Some of her focuses for this session include improving broadband access for rural areas, expanding the habitat for pheasants and creating a bounty program for nest predators, attacking the meth problem, improving our border security, and running a fiscally responsible government. Several bills and resolutions have started to come to the House floor, most have been cleaning up the language in current statute. A new standing committee in the House for Military and Veterans Affairs was created, the committee started this year.

In the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, we heard presentations from

the Game, Fish and Parks, the Department of Environmental

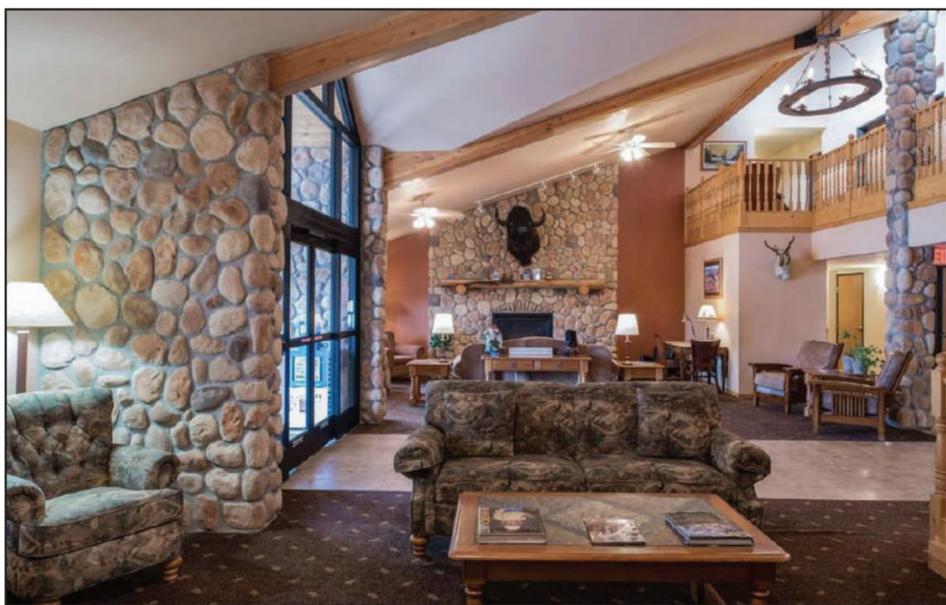


and Natural Resources, and the Department of Agriculture. Each department presented their past year's review as well as legislation they hoped to see passed this session. All 3 organizations echoed the governor's message of wanting to improve the state's abundant natural resources- especially the pheasant population- and a desire to protect the way of life for

farmers. We have had two bills come through this committee so far. Both were brought by the Game, Fish and Parks and reduced unneeded regulations on selling big game animal parts (bill number 1023) and using certain game fish for bait (bill number 1024). Both bills also passed on the House floor.

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## Reader's Digest Names AmericInn By Wyndham Belle Fourche Best Hotel in South Dakota



**The Best Hotel in Every State, According to Customers**  
by Amanda Tarlton, Readers's Digest Travel Editor.

"Planning your next getaway? Here's the top-rated hotel in each state across the country, as judged by fellow travelers on TripAdvisor".

"While South Dakota isn't necessarily a popular bucket list item, this top-rated hotel is the place to stay if you do happen to spend some time in the western state. Both the decor and the staff are welcoming and inviting, and the breakfast (go for the fresh omelets or waffles!) is some of the best in the area."

### CHARLIE ODELL

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I discovered that it has been quite some time since I did the news, so I decided to give Karen a break. On Monday I went to Buffalo to get salt and groceries. On Tuesday I inspected cows for Ryan Cordell and Wednesday I inspected for Bryce Padden. The electricity went off Thursday night, but the Southeast Electric employees had it back on in a couple of hours. Thanks guys. We read the Bible and watched Joel Osteen on Sunday. We went to the Methodist Church where Karen played bass guitar with Pastor Dinsmore while he sang one of my favorite songs "Long Black Train". We ate dinner at the "Over the Edge". I also started doing one of everybody's favorite activities, income taxes. On Wednesday morning Bruce and Lynn Gustufson went to the Hills for appointments. They went to the Annual Meeting at Little Missouri on Wednesday evening. They went to church on Sunday. Pete Anderson's mom came out for the weekend. On Sunday they went to the Methodist Church. They ate dinner at the

"Over the Edge" with Shirley Moseley and Karisa Rasmussen.  
Dale, Darwin and Daeson Moncur came out to the ranch for the weekend. Their electricity was off from about 7:00 PM Thursday night until Friday afternoon. They kept busy taking care of livestock. Shirley and Junior Melum did not do anything real exciting. On Monday Ronda Cordell got busy with income tax paperwork. The 1099's need to be sent by January 31st. She went to Buffalo for physical therapy in the afternoon. Diane Wear came from work at the cafe several afternoons this week. She stayed over to help with chores both in the evening and morning. She drove Ronda to physical therapy on Wednesday afternoon. Ronda ate an early supper at the Over the Edge before going home. On Thursday Ronda sorted a few cows to be hauled out to various pastures. Clint did the hauling. Toney Hannah came by in the afternoon to get on the computer as the Bergstrom place doesn't have internet. Denise and the girls left Thursday to spend a

## Capitol News

few days with her parents in Spearfish. Abby had a checkup with the doctor. Ronda hasn't seen the girls since New Years because of the flu and colds that have been going around. Friday afternoon Ronda went to town to take a late Christmas gift to Shirley Moseley. They enjoyed coffee and visiting. Diane came Saturday to do the caking for Clint as he and Ryan Cordell were taking in the Ekalaka Coyote Calling Contest. Saturday afternoon Cristen Westling and Jon Hamilton came from Rapid City for the long weekend. On Sunday friends from their work came out for the day. Ronda has about conquered the taxes which is a good feeling. Josie Roadifer has been traveling around visiting her kids. JoEllen called Billy and said that Josie had gone to Pinedale, Wyoming to stay with Floyd for a while. Billy has been hauling hay from the Patanode place up to the Sheep Mountains. Erma and Dick Albert are still fighting the cold that has been going around. Dick's has settled in his lungs so he went and got some medicine for it. Hopefully that will take care of it.

## Grand River Roundup

### BETTY OLSON

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It was cold and snowy most of this week and the lowest temperature was almost 10 degrees below zero at 8:00 Thursday morning. The temperature rose to 46 degrees on Sunday, it rained and snowed a little, and the wind blew so hard Sunday night that it felt like the roof might blow off the house! When I staggered across the sea of ice to check the rain gauge Monday morning, there was .20 hundredths of solid ice in the gauge. I keep records of rainfall for the National Weather Service and when I sent off my yearly report for 2018 we totaled 13.42 inches of moisture here. I don't remember what our average rainfall is, but this seemed like a pretty good year.



One of my Golden Comet chicks is old enough to finally start laying eggs this Tuesday and now I get a brown egg every day, along with one big white egg and one little white egg. As soon as the other seven new hens start laying, I should be back to giving away eggs!

Reub and I went to Bowman for parts on Wednesday and then drove down to Buffalo for his PT appointment with Jacy Buffington. We stopped at Peaceful Prairies to check on Bill Vroman and visited with Verona and their daughter Linda Otis. Bill is out of the hospital and in rehab in Belle Fourche, the same place where Roger Nash is recuperating after surgery on his broken hip. Roger had a birthday last Sunday, so Judy made him a couple birthday cakes and several of his family went down to help him celebrate.

I had an appointment with Dr. Little in Spearfish to see what to do about my bad knee. I stopped to eat lunch when I went through Belle and ran into Colt Besler. Colt had hauled a couple beeves down to the butcher shop and was on his way home.

I stopped to visit at the High Plains Western Heritage Center in Spearfish. Karla had some questions about the Harding County owners of several of the saddles they have on display at the Heritage Center. I was able to give her a history lesson about Sam Olson, Claude Olson, John R. Olson, and W.O. Brengle. If they have any more questions they can ask the new Heritage board member, Terry Matson. He is Claude Olson's grandson, Sam and John R's nephew, and his mother Jean (Olson) Matson ran the leather store in Buffalo that was started by W.O. Brengle.

We lost some more old friends this week. Jerry Poseley, 79, passed away at his home in Bison last Monday and his funeral was this Saturday in Bison with burial in the Bison Cemetery. Jerry's mother was the cook at the Bison School all the years I went to school there and she was a wonderful cook.

Every Thursday she served wimpies on homemade buns and even if kids didn't ordinarily eat lunch at school, almost everyone ate there that day!

Eunice (Dake) Fox, 92, of Buffalo, died on Friday at the Belle Fourche Healthcare Center. A celebration of her life will take place Thursday, January 31 at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. Her inurnment will take place later in the spring in the Buffalo Cemetery.

The families of these wonderful people have our sympathy.

Taz drove home from the rodeo in Fort Worth, Texas and arrived at 4:00 Friday morning, just in time to help Reub with the chores while Casey and the Harding County

wrestlers were at the tournament in Belle Fourche on Friday and Saturday. The government shutdown is over until February 15. The President is trying to stop illegals, drugs, terrorists, and human traffickers from coming across our border. The cost of illegal aliens to taxpayers totals just over \$84 billion every year, which would pay to build a lot of barriers.

I'll leave you with this:  
THE LAWS OF ULTIMATE REALITY

\*Law of Probability  
The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

\*Law of Random Numbers  
If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal and someone always answers.

\*Variation Law  
If you change traffic lanes, the one you were in will always move faster than the one you are in now (works every time).

\*Law of the Bath  
When the body is fully immersed in water, the telephone rings.

\*Law of the Result  
When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, it will.

\*Law of Biomechanics  
The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.

\*Murphy's Law of Lockers  
If there are only two people in a locker room, they will have adjacent lockers.

\*Law of Physical Surfaces  
The chances of an open-faced jam sandwich landing face down on a floor covering are directly correlated to the newness and cost of the carpet/rug.

\*Brown's Law of Physical Appearance  
If the shoe fits, it's ugly.

\*Wilson's Law of Commercial Marketing Strategy  
As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it.

\*Doctors' Law  
If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there you'll feel better. Don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.

\*Law of Logical Argument  
Anything is possible if you don't know what you are talking about.

Brown on Friday. On Sunday Marlee went to church in Camp Crook and then went to Belle Fourche to visit cousins coming from Billings, Montana and Buffalo, Wyoming to visit her mother. Alvin went into town to watch the playoff football games.

Dawn, Bryce, Dorothy, Bret Padden and Brian Olmstad went to eastern SD ice fishing on the 12th. They returned home on the 15th. They had a good time. On Friday Dawn and Dorothy went to Miles City to Ruth Benjamin's funeral. She was Dorothy's cousin and Dawn's Stepmother's Mother. Dawn's dad returned home with them for a visit. Brandon and Ashley hauled bulls to Belle Fourche on Thursday.

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

Julia Davis has just been going to work and coming home.

Doug has just been taking care of livestock. Their electricity was also off on Thursday from about 7:00 PM until sometime Friday morning.

Heather and Wacey Korneman have just stayed home and did the normal winter ranch work. Dorothy Padden returned from ice fishing in Eastern South Dakota on Tuesday. On Thursday Dorothy, Dawn and Bryce went to Ekalaka and Baker for some shopping. Dorothy and Dawn went to Miles City for her cousin Ruth Benjamin's funeral. Bryce joined them in Ekalaka for the committal service on Friday.

Donna Lewis had a very quiet week. She did go bowling on Thursday.

Alvin Cordell and Denin Cheguis went in to play pill pool on Wednesday night. Ryan hauled a load of cows to town on Wednesday. Alvin and Marlee went to Belle Fourche Thursday evening to watch Cade and Gavin play basketball. They spent the night in town and returned home on Friday. Denin went to Miles City with Sterling

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**Mobile office:** Adam Kaemingk, Constituents Services Representative for Senator Mike Rounds was at Belle Fourche City Hall last week with the Senator's mobile office. The office travels to area communities so constituents can meet with the Senator's staff without traveling to Rapid City to their 1313 West Main office. Senator Round's Rapid office can be reached at 605-343-5035, or by emailing Adam Kaemingk@Rounds.Senate.gov. Kaemingk is the husband of Belle Fourche native Haley Hespe who is the daughter of Oz and Sandy Hespe.

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**2018-2019 BFHS Fall Semester Honor Roll**

**9th "A" Honor Roll:** Dagan Burns, Devin Burns, Conner Clausen, Brooks Clooten, Emma Crawford, Emily Crilly, Dalton Davis, Kylee Erhart, Aiden Giffin, Gabriel Heck, Isabelle Jackson, Treyton Johnson, Dru Keegan, Wyatt Keegan, Lacey Kenoyer, Wyatt Krebs, Teneasha Larson, McKenzie Lyons, Dyllen Martin, Reese McKenna, Orin Olson, Tricia Olson, Elijah Pomrenke, Storm Popham, Molly Rhoads, Caiden Stores, Dylan Tanninen, Keeli Turbiville, Ava Williamson.

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**10th "B" Honor Roll:** LeeAna Best, Elainna Brill, Aiken Crowley, Karanda Kay Davis, Serena Davis, Aidan Eaton, Isabella Ferguson, Kiana Frasier, Lan Fuhrer, Logan Goeders, Layla Hockenbary, Gabrielle Hoffman, Shyanne Howell, Jazmyn Hunt, Tate LaFayette, Loki Larive, Amity Middleton, Bryton Oedekeoven, Conrad Schreier, Blake Vissia, Hayley Wilbur.

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**12th "A" Honor Roll:** Miles Amende, Cain Birkeland, Payson Birkeland, Riley Birkeland, Sierra Bonefield, Hanna Bricker, Ashley Byrd, Larissa Daniels, Justin Diede, Della Donovan, Alanya Drabek, Logan Fowler, Taten Fox, Sydney Fuerst, Tristan Garman, Carson Gubbrud, Collin Hockenbary, Tyler Koski, Jaci Krebs, Jackson Mailloux, Tee McAmis, Avery Middleton, Bryce Nicholas, Matilyn Oakes, Kayla Olson, Fallon Osuna, Zane Rankin, Whitley Reder, Reese Ribordy, Sydnee Richardson, Caitlin Ringling, Katelynn Ruby, Molly Ryan, Kendal Schreier, Faith Seaton, Emma Singer, Jessica Stockert, Landon "Randal" Thompson, Destiny Voyles, Chloe Wolfe.

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**Belle Fourche Development Report from Executive Dir. Hollie Stalder**



Hollie Stalder

The fabric and heartbeat of a Community.... A group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common. A feeling of fellowship with others as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests and goals. When our living in the same place and sharing common interests and goals is a thriving activity, we can enjoy the beauty of community. We know not every day or event that happens is joyful, but the tough times make us stronger too. The fabric of a community, all of the threads of life happening every day throughout our town, is woven together by common goals of individuals and groups. Those threads are stories, and a heartbeat of a community that beats strong. Community members do their work because it needs to be done and they have a passion for it, often going unnoticed until somehow brought to light. Our local newspaper shares those moments in time with the community. They cover those events and activities that happen in a given time. Capturing those moments to be held as a

Day in, day out, tirelessly covering the life of our community and ensuring that those moments keep our community connected. There's an excitement in receiving the news and mail. I look forward to seeing the paper every week. I hope the folks doing this work for all of us know how very important it is and how much it is appreciated. And, I for one, hope their work never ceases. Keep up the good work! Being an active community keeps a strong newspaper, and a strong newspaper keeps an active connected. I am grateful for all we have in this incredible community!

permanent record and memory. I know how much I cherish photos I have taken of our family over the years and how fun it is to see how far we have come as a family. The newspaper does that for a community.



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Scott Shoun, New Underwood SD	77	Black-Brd Cow	5/6Y	1344	\$1,750.00
K&K Cattle Co Llc, Belle Fourche SD	52	Black-Brd A.i. Hfr	Feb	956	\$1,600.00
K&K Cattle Co Llc, Belle Fourche SD	76	Black-Brd A.i. Hfr	Feb	978	\$1,500.00
K&K Cattle Co Llc, Belle Fourche SD	116	Black-Brd Bull Hfr	Mar	969	\$1,475.00
Michael & Deanna Gauthier, Rozet WY	18	Black-Brd Hfr	Mar 1St	1062	\$1,550.00
Michael & Deanna Gauthier, Rozet WY	54	Black-Brd Hfr	Mar 1St	1054	\$1,525.00
Michael & Deanna Gauthier, Rozet WY	48	Black-Brd Hfr	Mar 1St	1062	\$1,510.00
Michael & Deanna Gauthier, Rozet WY	27	Black-Brd Hfr	Mar 21St	1015	\$1,400.00
Michael & Deanna Gauthier, Rozet WY	21	Black-Brd Hfr	Mar 1St	973	\$1,385.00
Tuf Ranch Inc, Beulah WY	6	Black-Brd Hfr	Feb 15Th	1033	\$1,425.00
Donald Mcdonald, Jordan MT	135	Black-Brd Cow	3Y	972	\$1,500.00
Donald Mcdonald, Jordan MT	52	Black-Brd Cow	4Y	1125	\$1,510.00
Donald Mcdonald, Jordan MT	50	Black-Brd Hfr	Apr 1St	1014	\$1,400.00
Donald Mcdonald, Jordan MT	88	Black-Brd Cow	5/6Y	1233	\$1,500.00
Donald Mcdonald, Jordan MT	55	Black-Brd Cow	Sm	1265	\$1,350.00
Donald Mcdonald, Jordan MT	79	Black-Brd Cow	Bm	1320	\$835.00
Jerry Cathey, Hammond MT	38	Black-Brd Cow	Bm	1402	\$1,250.00
Dan Or Cindi Conner, Belle Fourche SD	35	Black-Brd Cow	Bm	1520	\$1,250.00
Reni And Josh Nixon, Alzada MT	59	Black-Brd Cow	Bm	1354	\$1,100.00

Schloredt Enterprises, Sundance WY	7	Blk/Bwf-Brd Cow	Sm	1390	\$1,050.00
Schloredt Enterprises, Sundance WY	9	Blk/Bwf-Brd Cow	Bm	1351	\$900.00
Ben Or Lori Garman, Belle Fourche SD	51	Black-Brd Cow	Bm	1420	\$935.00
Rieger Cattle Co, Ismay MT	41	Black-Brd Cow	Bm	1335	\$935.00
Nancy Wiley, Spearfish SD	9	Black-Brd Cow	3-6Y	1461	\$1,585.00
Michael & Melanie Pittman, Belle Fourche	10	Blk/Bwf-Brd Cow	Sm	1417	\$1,250.00
Trask Land & Livestock	42	Herf-Brd Cow	5/6Y	1280	\$1,100.00

**WEIGHUPS**

Hotchkiss Ranch, Reva SD	8	Black-Cow		1,341	\$61.00
Sourdough Ranch 3 Inc, Hulett WY	7	Black-Cow		1,300	\$59.00
Nick Uherka, Sturgis SD	2	Black-Cow		1,440	\$58.50
James Burley, Broadus MT	1	Black-Cow		1,215	\$58.50
L7 Ranch Inc, Terry MT	1	Black-Cow		1,425	\$57.50
Travis Hurst, Buffalo SD	3	Black-Cow		1,347	\$57.50
Craig R (Randy) Feist, Ludlow SD	1	Black-Cow		1,350	\$70.00
Cleve Schmidt, Belle Fourche SD	2	Black-Cow		1,198	\$54.50
Kim Kling, Belle Fourche SD	1	Black-Cow		1,320	\$53.50
Mcdonald Ranch Inc, Aladdin WY	1	Char-Hfr		1,015	\$75.00
Trevor Garman, Alzada MT	2	Black-Cow		1,350	\$52.50
Jeffery & Sandra Shuck, Newcastle WY	1	Black-Cow		1,305	\$52.50
Julie Ginsbach, Newell SD	1	Black-Bull		1,775	\$78.50
Ty Jones, Miles City MT	1	Black-Bull		1,745	\$74.00
Ty Jones, Miles City MT	1	Black-Bull		1,765	\$71.50

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 31ST**  
**NO SALE**

We hope everyone enjoys the Black Hills Stock Show

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH**  
**Big Feeder & Replacement Heifer Sale**

**UPCOMING SALE SCHEDULE**

- Thursday, February 14th** - Stock Cow & Bred Heifer Special- Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, February 21st** - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, February 28th** - Stock Cow & Bred Heifer Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, March 7th** - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, March 14th** - Stock Cow & Bred Heifer Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, March 21st** - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, March 28th** - Stock Cow & Bred Heifer Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, April 4th** - Feeder Cattle Special - Featuring Replacement Heifers - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, April 11th** - Regular Cattle Sale - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, April 18th** - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, April 25th** - Pair Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, May 2nd** - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, May 9th** - Pair Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, May 16th** - Feeder Cattle Special - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, May 23rd** - Regular Cattle Sale - Selling All Classes of Cattle
- Thursday, May 30th** - Regular Cattle Sale - Turn Out Bull Sale - Selling All Classes of Cattle

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**News From The Block**

Super lineup bred cows & heifers on last Thursday 24th sale. Big crowd of buyers and they came to buy volume. The market stayed steady all day long. Thank you to all the consignors and buyers and the crew. Big feeder & replacement heifer sale February 7th.

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Highmark Credit Union's New Belle Fourche branch, 1842 5th Avenue hosted an open house January 24th. Along with the Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting Highmark had door prizes, cake, pulled pork sandwiches and the fixings. *Beacon Photo*



The Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting at Belle Boutique and Salon - 520 5th Ave January 17th. Owner and maestro of scissors Chantal Williams makes the ceremonial clip. - *Courtesy Photo*