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Beacon Updates

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There was a line from the Seinfeld show when Jerry comments, “isn’t it amazing how the amount of news that occurs just fits perfectly on the pages of the newspaper?”

After nearly eight years of working at publishing the Beacon, I’d agree it is a task that accomplishes that minor miracle each week..

This Beacon, this week has a new construction, in that it has four-four page sections all in full color print.

We want to keep up with news and events of interest to the readers, and present it in a way that pleases the advertisers who use it to tell the story of their business and its products or services provided, to show you what the have available.

We wish to continue to provide and grow the service that informs and connects the people in the Tri-State area that support the businesses and activities that are here. Sports, Government, the Arts, and much, much more!

Rotating delivery areas where the paper might alternate “delivered and printed” and “online only” weeks.

Online weeks there will be places in the community where printed copies can be picked up. (Currently copies of the Beacon are available for pickup at the Belle Fourche Chamber office on Grant Street and Print Market on State Street). We would expand the locations where it can be picked up. Grocery stores, coffee shops, etc..

It has been suggested that we, like many news organizations around the country do an online only edition with places where a printed copy of the news can be received.

Another model provides online news and advertisements but with hard copies of the paper readily available you can stop and pick a copy up.

These ideas come to the surface when considering the financial costs of continuing to provide the local and area news.

We would like to hear from you what your preference may be.

You can email your thoughts, ideas and suggestions to news@bellefourchebeacon.com or text to 606-645-2193.

Next weeks April 16 edition may be an online only edition to see if many of you wish to log onto www.bellefourchebeacon.com and read the news on an electronic device.

The economics of today’s newspaper industry are such that is difficult task to continue operation of the Beacon.

We are taking steps to establish a nonprofit that can own, manage, and operate the Beacon.

It could lead to industry grant programs that nonprofits are eligible for as well as allowing donor contributions to be tax deductible.

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Dr. Lauren Contd A3

“Pasque Ladies Fashions Celebrate Spring”



Models for the **Spring Fashion Show** from left: Julie Snoozy, Melissa Scofield, Cassie Pannone, Michelle Jensen, MiKayla Boswell, Deb Elliott, Kenzie Hennessey, Tonya Onstott, and Pat Main. Longbrake photo

Spring Fashion Show Offers Brightly Colored Clothing

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BELLE FOURCHE—Pasque Ladies Fashions transformed from a store front to a Paris style fashion show complete with models and a runway on the evening of April 3.

Michelle Evans, Owner thought of everything needed to truly pamper the attendees and provide them with a special experience.

As one entered through the front door, a drink choice of sparkling cider, lemon drop or martini was offered and quickly delivered to your seat. A festive container of

meats and cheeses, as well as crackers, pretzels and fruit was provided along with a second container of bite-sized desserts.

Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, Michaela Horn, was the announcer for the evening. She welcomed everyone to the Spring Fashion Show as she kicked off the first round of fashions.

“Tonight we’re not just showing our clothes; we are celebrating style, confidence and some of the strong, amazing women that make Belle Fourche shine,” she said.

This was the second time Evans put together a fashion show to highlight some of the new in store styles for the upcoming season. Last fall she put together an elaborate fall fashion showcase. It was such a hit the community was asking for another.

A few of the models came back to lend a hand from the previous fashion show, but over half of them were new to the runway. Evans recruited area women to help model Pasque Ladies Fashions spring inventory.

“Woman that are active in the community, shop here, friends, just lively—a lot of them are actually on the chamber board,” explained Evans.

Models taking part in the show were Julie Snoozy, Melissa Scofield, Cassie Pannone, Michelle Jensen, MiKayla Boswell, Deb Elliott, Kenzie Hennessey, Tonya Onstott, and Pat Main.

Each model came out in a different outfit four times. Between each round, door prizes were given away.

The first door prize was a dozen eggs! A variety of items

were up for grabs including candles, jewelry, and clothing—all items you can find at Pasque. The crowd was lively and the models had a good time. They were playful and fun, often posing and dancing down the runway.

“Everybody’s ready for spring and summer and I think that this time was definitely more relaxed—the first time (fall) people didn’t know what was happening,” said Evans. “There was definitely a lot more hooping and hollering and I think color really makes people come alive too!”

Gayleen Raber attended the fall fashion show and really enjoyed the spring one as well. “I thought this year was way more relaxed and fun!”

Another repeat fashion show attendee, Marcia Osloond, said, “I think the colors, the bright spring colors made it fun too because it’s more colorful! It was fun, we will do it again!”

Following the fashion show the chairs were moved and the attendees were given a chance to socialize and shop the new styles they just saw going down the runway. \$10.00 off coupons were provided in gift bags for each paid ticket. Tickets were limited.



After the fashion show, the chairs were moved to allow for the attendees to socialize and shop.



(L) **Pat Main** was the first model to glide down the runway and kick off the **Spring Fashion Show** at **Pasque Ladies Fashions**; (C) **Chamber of Commerce** board member, **Melissa Scofield**, stopped to show off one of the new spring fashions available; (R) **Michelle Evans**, Owner of **Pasque Ladies Fashions** and **Michaela Horn**, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, after a successful **Spring Fashion Show** event.

House Plants Bring Consumers to Dakota Petals

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BELLE FOURCHE—A huge house plant sale drew people to downtown Belle Fourche on April 5. The Chamber of Commerce received calls asking what the heck was happening on State Street? All of the excitement was at Dakota Petals Flower Shop.

Erica Douglas, shop owner, said she was looking for ways to make her flower shop stand out and house plants came to mind. “I was thinking about plants and I was thinking about all the rare varieties that we

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Mary Brucker and **Erica Douglas** both work to keep the house plant buyers happy during the sale at **Dakota Petals**. Longbrake photo

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

"You are uniquely Created."

Driving through the last snowstorm, watching the snowflakes fly, the thought that came to my mind was the fact that not one of the untold trillions of snowflakes that have ever fallen are identical. One estimate that two snowflakes could be the same is 1 to the 768th power, basically zero chance.

Psalm 139:14-17 states: "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfected; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them. How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!"

There are only two possibilities for your existence. First, you're a cosmic accident, with no real purpose, live, maybe leave your mark in history and then vanish from existence, nothing more, or secondly, you were created by the Creator, Who is identified in His Word, the Holy Bible and He has a purpose for your existence." I hold to the second belief. You are the only one of you in all of Creation, no one will ever be exactly like you. It's interesting that out of the 40 billion people estimated to have ever lived, no one is exactly the same as you. Identical twins may share some similarities yet are unique individuals.

What's exciting is that the God of creation, the God who spoke everything into existence has a plan and purpose for you, if you choose to accept. Some people find this hard to believe. They look at themselves, they look at the world and they see that things are flawed, things are broken, the world is so imperfect. True. God did not create the world broken; He created the world perfect. He created our first parents perfect, who chose to disobey God, bringing sin into the world. When sin entered the world so did hardship, pain, sickness, birth defects, addictions and physical and spiritual death (hell). Our sin, our rebellion against God has separated us from Him.


The Good News is that God did not and has not abandon man but has been working day and night to reconcile man to Himself. He sent His Son Jesus to die for our sin and to give us eternal life. Everyday Jesus gives men and women forgiveness of sin, a new life with purpose and a hope that the world cannot give, a hope that extends beyond the grave into eternity, where there is no more pain, sickness or death. A hope offered to everyone.

God invites you to become a part of His family. To experience forgiveness of your sin and to know that you have eternal life. How? Ask God to forgive your sin and ask Jesus to save you. The "Good News" is that Jesus died for your sin, that He was buried and that He rose again. If you believe on Jesus and His finished work on the cross for your sin, you will have eternal life, guaranteed by our Creator. My favorite hymn is "I Love to Tell the Story." The story of Jesus and His love for you and me. Jesus changed my life 40 years ago, removing an alcohol addiction, giving me hope, changing the course of my life and eternity forever. Jesus can and will do the same for you if you will call upon Him. Blessings Pastor Andy • ecbcf.org

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Dr. Lauren From A1

Her Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science through Black Hills State University and Dickinson State University. While at Dickinson, she also obtained certifications in Corrective and Therapeutic Exercise and in Strength and Conditioning. During her undergraduate years, Lauren developed a strong interest in sleep hygiene, biomechanics, and injury prevention—areas that continue to guide her approach to care today.

She went on to receive her Doctorate of Physical Therapy from South College in Knoxville, Tennessee, where she attended the nation's first accelerated hybrid DPT program. A former college athlete herself, Lauren has a particular passion for health, strength training, and helping others return to the activities they love—whether it's walking the dog, working on the ranch, or competing on the court. Her clinical interests include manual therapy, musculoskeletal injuries, and promoting overall wellness.

When she's not in the clinic, Dr. Lauren enjoys staying active through sports, helping out on her father's cattle ranch, and baking with her family. She looks forward to building lasting connections with her patients and neighbors in the Belle Fourche area.

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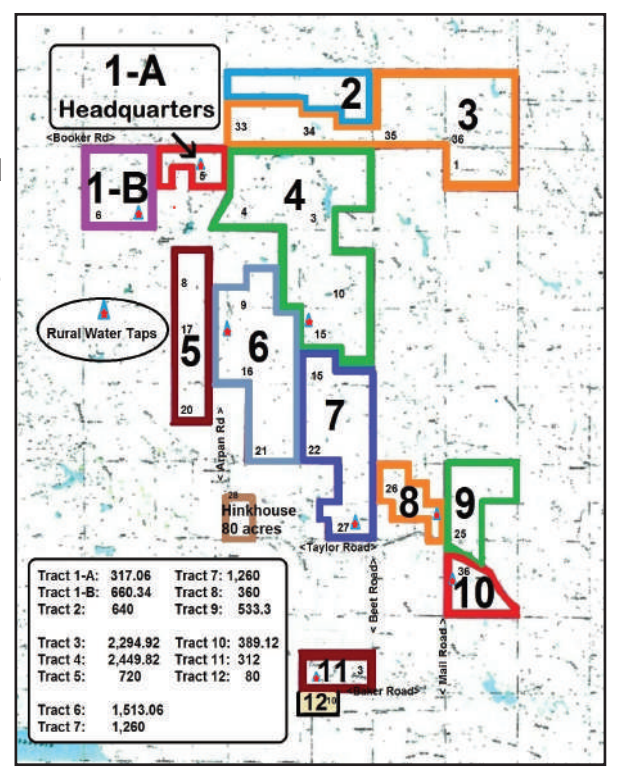
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Plants from A1

never get up here and I said let's go to work! I started calling growers and making connections happen," she said. Douglas started with a smaller order of around 300 plants and then quickly expanded her order to offer over 1300 plants with 100 plus varieties. The shop has everything from African Violets and succulents to terrarium plants and air plants and everything in between! The store made sure to offer the house plants at affordable prices. "I priced them to move, that's what it's all about—no point in ordering in plants if they are going to sit here—let's move them," said Douglas. Turnout was significant and the store was busy all day. The line to check out was long but excited consumers remained patient and by noon over half of the stock was gone. "I'm so excited to have done this," exclaimed Douglas. "I've been working with so many growers and so many suppliers to bring in the things that plant lovers need and want!" The success of the event has made Douglas start planning the next big plant sale. "We're going to have a rare plant sale in May and I'm already talking to growers about big sale in October that will be similar to this," she explained. As Douglas continues to settle into her new location



The checkout line and the line outside to come in was long for customers who rushed to **Dakota Petals** to buy house plants during their special house plant sale. Longbrake photos



A customer takes her time picking out house plants during the sale at **Dakota Petals**.

on State Street and works on spreading the word about her new business, she takes time to appreciate all she has. "I'm just thrilled to be here, I'm thankful to God for everything that he's done in my life! I'm thankful for this building, and I'm so thankful for this business! I'm just so happy! Thank you Belle Fourche!"



Black Hills Farmers Market Distribution Coming to an End

Ryder Heitz

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 BUTTE COUNTY—The Black Hills Farmers Market Food Distribution program is coming to an end this month. The program has provided free, locally-produced food to South Dakotans in need for over a year and a half. In Butte County, two final distributions will be held this month. The first will be Monday, April 14 at 1:00 p.m. at Meals on Wheels in Belle Fourche, located at 1400 Mills Street; and the second will be Tuesday, April 15 at 4:30 p.m. in Nisland at the City Hall. There is no income requirement for patrons; anyone who wants food can go to the sites.

The program's end follows the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) cutting of the Local Food Purchase Assistance Cooperative Agreement Program (LFPA), which had provided funding for state, tribal and territorial governments to buy food produced within the state to help support local, regional and underserved producers as well as serve feeding programs, food banks and organizations that reach underserved communities.

"It was a 20 month grant, and we are just out of funds," explained Amber Herder, President of the Black Hills Farmers Market board. "And then the USDA did not extend it."

We were hoping that they were going to, they had plans, and then it fell through. Our funds run out in April, and so April will be the last distribution."

Herder expressed disappointment regarding the situation. "It's really unfortunate," she said. "Our producers that have been supplying all of the products that we've been giving away have been amazing, and it's a great opportunity for them, as well as the people in all the drop-off sites to get that food that they've been

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receiving has been amazing. So, I'm sad that it's ending."

The final food distribution events will provide as many goods for consumers as possible, including meat, honey, and salsa.

Herder said that some sites will also have eggs and cheese. The St. Paul Knights of Co-

lumbus in Belle Fourche and volunteers from the Town of Nisland have helped make the distribution events possible.

"We're blessed to be able to be a part of this whole program, and we are definitely sad to see it come to an end," said Herder.

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Bruch Ranch LLC, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1230.....\$192.00
Bruch Ranch LLC, Sturgis SD.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1445.....\$152.00
Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT...1.....Blk.....Cow.....1365.....\$145.00
Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT...1.....Blk.....Cow.....1080.....\$144.00
Cahoon, Jeanette Or Dan, Sonnette MT...1.....Blk.....Cow.....1015.....\$70.00
Carier, Jayden, Hermosa SD.....1.....Blk.....Owette.....1300.....\$163.00
Cassens, Kenneth, Piedmont SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....910.....\$137.00
Cordell-Pearson, Ashley, Aladdin WY.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1030.....\$238.00
Cordell-Pearson, Ashley, Aladdin WY.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1120.....\$228.50
Courtney Ranch Inc, Alzada MT.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1475.....\$148.00
Courtney Ranch Inc, Alzada MT.....1.....Rbld...Cow.....1325.....\$146.00
Courtney Ranch Inc, Alzada MT.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1090.....\$143.00
Courtney Ranch Inc, Alzada MT.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1625.....\$135.00
Crowser, Scott Or Carla, Whitewood SD...1.....Blk.....Cow.....1285.....\$152.00
Daly Livestock, Gillette WY.....2.....B/R...Cow.....1047.....\$140.00
Daly Livestock, Gillette WY.....1.....Red...Cow.....1145.....\$139.50
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY.....2.....Blk.....Owette.....1147.....\$177.00
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY.....3.....Blk.....Owette.....1191.....\$162.50
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY.....2.....Blk.....Owette.....1472.....\$160.00
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1210.....\$159.00
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1780.....\$148.00
Foothills Ranch Inc, St Onge SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....995.....\$234.00
Grubi, Christopher, Sturgis SD.....3.....Blk.....Hfr.....1115.....\$227.00
Grubi, Christopher, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Owette.....1290.....\$160.00
Grubi, Christopher, Sturgis SD.....5.....Blk.....Cow.....1419.....\$159.00
Grubi, Christopher, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1490.....\$144.00
Hae Ranch Inc, Vale SD.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1332.....\$159.00
Hae Ranch Inc, Vale SD.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1297.....\$152.50
Harris Mv Cattle, Reduse WY.....2.....Blk.....Hfr.....1045.....\$234.00
Horseshoe I Ranch, Broadus MT.....10.....Blk.....Hfr.....925.....\$247.50
J-Six South Dakota Operations, Seneca KS..3.....Blk.....Hfr.....1005.....\$237.00
J-Six South Dakota Operations, Seneca KS..1.....Bld...Hfr.....910.....\$225.00
J-Six South Dakota Operations, Seneca KS..1.....Blk.....Cow.....1370.....\$159.00
J-Six South Dakota Operations, Seneca KS..2.....Blk.....Cow.....1480.....\$158.00
J-Six South Dakota Operations, Seneca KS..2.....Blk.....Cow.....1077.....\$151.00
J-Six South Dakota Operations, Seneca KS..1.....Blk.....Cow.....1330.....\$150.00
J-Six South Dakota Operations, Seneca KS..1.....Blk.....Cow.....1095.....\$136.00
Karrels, Henry, Sturgis SD.....1.....Bld...Cow.....1630.....\$150.00
Karrels, Henry, Sturgis SD.....1.....Bld...Cow.....1345.....\$138.00
Kieffer, Pam, Rapid City SD.....3.....Bld...Owette.....1270.....\$161.50
Kinghorn, Ray, St Onge SD.....1.....Herf...Cow.....1350.....\$150.00
Knutson, Karl, Vale SD.....2.....Xbrd...Cow.....1000.....\$131.00
Lindblom, Brad, Hermosa SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1000.....\$242.00
Lindblom, Brad, Hermosa SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1045.....\$237.00
Lindblom, Brad, Hermosa SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1300.....\$141.00
Lindblom, Dave, Rapid City SD.....4.....Blk.....Hfr.....1128.....\$227.00
Lindblom, Dave, Rapid City SD.....1.....Char...Cow.....1255.....\$159.00
Lindblom, Dave, Rapid City SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1315.....\$152.00
Maude, Lori, Hermosa SD.....1.....Red...Owette.....1315.....\$167.00
Maude, Lori, Hermosa SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1035.....\$156.00
Maude, Marvin, Hermosa SD.....2.....Blk.....Owette.....1377.....\$160.00
Miller Ranch Inc, St Onge SD.....1.....Herf...Owette.....1055.....\$161.00
Miller, Ty, Newcastle WY.....1.....Blk.....Owette.....1250.....\$165.00
Miller, Ty, Newcastle WY.....1.....Bld...Cow.....1545.....\$139.00
Mitchell, Brandon, Belvidere SD.....2.....Red...Hfr.....660.....\$290.00
Mitchell, Chip, Kadoka SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....885.....\$258.00
Mitchell, Tyrel, Kadoka SD.....1.....Bld...Cow.....1420.....\$147.50
Mitchell, Wanda, Belvidere SD.....1.....Blk.....Owette.....1235.....\$172.50
Mitchell, Wanda, Belvidere SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1010.....\$140.00
Olson, Jeff, Cascade MT.....1.....Blk.....Owette.....1225.....\$162.50
Olson, Jeff, Cascade MT.....4.....Blk.....Cow.....1088.....\$138.00
Pelster, Chad, Belle Fourche SD.....1.....Xbrd...Cow.....720.....\$148.00
Peters Trust, Henry/Connie, Sturgis SD...3.....B/R...Cow.....1478.....\$159.00
Peterson, Jon, Belle Fourche SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....895.....\$249.50
Peterson, Jon, Belle Fourche SD.....5.....Blk.....Hfr.....1017.....\$235.00
Peterson, Jon, Belle Fourche SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1460.....\$150.50
Redwater Ranch LLC, Sundance WY.....1.....Red...Cow.....1280.....\$150.00
Redwater Ranch LLC, Sundance WY.....1.....Red...Cow.....1455.....\$147.00
Richards, Kristy, Newell SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1550.....\$142.00
Roadifer, William, Camp Crook SD.....2.....Cow.....1205.....\$140.00
Schroeder, Jay Or Jamie Jo, Broadus MT...1.....Blk.....Cow.....1245.....\$152.00
Senn, Heather, Opal SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1410.....\$148.00
Senn, Heather, Opal SD.....2.....Bld...Cow.....1420.....\$145.00
Senn, Heather, Opal SD.....4.....Red...Cow.....1280.....\$145.00

Senn, Heather, Opal SD.....1.....Red...Cow.....1430.....\$139.00
Smith, Roddy J & Kathleen J, Gillette WY..6.....Blk.....Hfr.....845.....\$251.00
Stephens, Gary Or Kathy, Gillette WY....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1130.....\$225.00
Tavegie, Troy & Kelli, Todd, Newcastle WY.2.....Blk.....Hfr.....902.....\$265.00
Tavegie, Troy & Kelli, Todd, Newcastle WY.2.....Bld...Owette.....1217.....\$173.00
Tavegie, Troy & Kelli, Todd, Newcastle WY1.....Blk.....Cow.....1235.....\$159.50
Tavegie, Troy & Kelli, Todd, Newcastle WY1.....Blk.....Cow.....1890.....\$155.00
Tavegie, Troy & Kelli, Todd, Newcastle WY1.....Blk.....Cow.....1650.....\$155.00
Tavegie, Troy & Kelli, Todd, Newcastle WY3.....Blk.....Cow.....1613.....\$152.50
Tavegie, Troy & Kelli, Todd, Newcastle WY1.....Blk.....Cow.....1610.....\$151.00
Todd, Tim Or Kris, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1005.....\$233.00
Todd, Tim Or Kris, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Owette.....1225.....\$160.00
Todd, Tim Or Kris, Sturgis SD.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1575.....\$154.00
Tripp, Ralph, Gillette WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....1630.....\$154.00
Turbiel, Dewey/Heath, Sundance WY.....3.....Xbrd...Cow.....751.....\$141.00
Turbiel, Dewey/Heath, Sundance WY.....1.....Blk.....Cow.....720.....\$140.00
Wendt Ranch Inc, Newell SD.....1.....Blk.....Hfr.....1025.....\$192.50
Wendt Ranch Inc, Newell SD.....2.....Blk.....Cow.....1305.....\$138.00

Weigh Up Bulls

Earley, Luke, Broadus MT.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....2000.....\$187.50
Knutson, Karl, Vale SD.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1640.....\$162.00
Randal, Craig, Broadus MT.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1690.....\$175.00
Randal, Craig, Broadus MT.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1510.....\$185.00
Sand Rock Angus, Broadus MT.....2.....Blk.....Bull.....1610.....\$170.00
Sand Rock Angus, Broadus MT.....4.....Blk.....Bull.....1348.....\$170.00
Shepperson, Bob J & Julie G, Upton WY...1.....Blk.....Bull.....1820.....\$150.00
Shepperson, Bob J & Julie G, Upton WY...1.....Blk.....Bull.....1640.....\$151.00
Stinson Livestock, Moorcroft WY.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1935.....\$174.00
Warner, Adam Or Lynn, Rozet WY.....1.....Blk.....Bull.....1920.....\$168.00

Friday, April 11, 2025

Feeder Cattle & Replacement Heifer Special

8:00 AM -- Weigh Up Cows 10:00 AM -- Bred Cows

Followed By Feeder Cattle

1:00 PM -- Cactus Cattle Co Angus Bull Sale

BT-Branding Time Shots PC-PreCondition Shots DF-Drug Free

BV-Bangs Vaccinated NI-No Implants

Feeder Cattle

Balo Ranch - 180 Mostly Blk Strs & Hfrs - 600-700# - BT, PC, NI
Don & Donald Adamson - 160 Blk & Red Strs & Hfrs - 700-825# - BT, PC
Arlege Ranch - 100 Blk Hfrs - 525-550# - BT, PC, NI
- 40 Blk Strs - 450# - BT, PC, NI
McFarland Land & Livestock - 85 M Osty Blk Strs - 525-650# - BT, PC, NI
- 40 Mostly Blk Hfrs - 525-650# - BT, PC, NI
Crago Land & Livestock - 60 Blk & Bldy Strs - 550-625#
Forder Land & Livestock - 30 Blk Strs - 750-800#
- 30 Blk Hfrs - 500-550# - Sprayed
Leon Minor - 45 Blk Hfrs - 700-800# - BT, PC, BV
Ista Ranch - 40 Blk Strs & Hfrs - 600-700# - BT, PC
Reinecke OX Yoke Ranch - 33 Blk Hfrs - 750# - BT, PC, Poured, BV - Replacement Quality
Battle Creek Cattle Co - 30 Blk Hfrs - 550-625# - BT, PC
Sand Rock Angus - 30 Blk Hfrs - 700-800#
Rick Soelzer - 22 Mostly Blk Strs & Hfrs - 500-575# - BT, PC
Flying F Cattle Co - 15 Blk & Bldy Hfrs - 600-620# - Bv, Poured

Pairs

Genetic Hendrix - Dispersion - 19 Blk Mixed Age Pairs

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2025 CATTLE SALES

April 18th - Pair & Bred Cow Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle
April 25th - Feeder Cattle & Replacement Hfr Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

2025 SPRING BULL SALES

April 4th - Ck Bar Ranch Sim-Angus Bull Sale
April 11th - Cactus Cattle Company Angus Bull Sale
April 18th - Baker Lemar Angus Bull Sale
April 25th - Jordan Cattle Co Sim Angus & Angus Bull Sale
May 2nd - Opitz Angus Bull Sale & Turn-Out Bull Sale

St Onge Livestock has a receiving station for the Gillette Area every Thursday. 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 3 pm. You pay receiving station fee of \$3 per head & \$2.50/cwt for trucking. You can also call Justin Tupper at 605-680-0259 & he can let them know your cattle are coming also.

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Sheep Report - Thursday, March 27, 2025

Good run of sheep today
New crop lambs sold steady, old crop lambs were \$10 lower
Slaughter ewes sold \$5 to \$8 lower

Next Sale - April 3 - Bred Ewe Special - Selling all classes of sheep & goats
Animals should be here by 10 AM so they can be weighed before the sale
Thank you for your business!

Feeder Lambs

Ahair, Keegan & Jean, Nisland SD.....30.....New Crop.....56.....\$ 310.00
King, Justin, Hammond MT.....32.....Lamb.....76.....\$ 271.00
Braun, Elizabeth, Newell SD.....10.....Lamb.....75.....\$ 271.00
Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY.....45.....Lamb.....71.....\$ 265.00
Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY.....20.....Lamb.....104.....\$ 196.00

Slaughter Ewes

Arledge Livestock Co Llc, Robert Lee TX.....9.....K Ewe.....166.....\$86.00
Arledge Livestock Co Llc, Robert Lee TX.....23.....K Ewe.....146.....\$86.00
Arledge Livestock Co Llc, Robert Lee TX.....18.....K Ewe.....129.....\$72.00
Braun, Elizabeth, Newell SD.....15.....K Ewe.....133.....\$72.00
Darling Creek Ranch Llc, Meadow SD.....12.....K Ewe.....141.....\$86.00
Erickson, Bill Or Cassie, Ismay MT.....24.....K Ewe.....125.....\$72.00
Hawthorne, Bob & Bill, Chadron NE.....4.....K Ewe.....192.....\$86.00
Olson, Steve, Froid MT.....12.....K Ewe.....221.....\$82.00
Owens, Bill Or Mary, Casper WY.....3.....K Ewe.....201.....\$86.00
Reid, Victor, Nisland SD.....7.....K Ewe.....177.....\$86.00
Williams, Dennis & Grace, Moorcroft WY.....47.....K Ewe.....151.....\$86.00
Williams, Dennis & Grace, Moorcroft WY.....159.....K Ewe.....136.....\$85.00
Williams, Dennis & Grace, Moorcroft WY.....43.....K Ewe.....123.....\$69.00

Bred Ewes - Sold By The Head

Arledge Livestock Co Llc, Robert Lee TX.....88.....7yr.....135.....\$ 160.00
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NEWELL SHEEP YARDS

Thursday, April 10, 2025

Regular Sheep Sale 1:00 PM

Bred Ewes

Arledge Ranch - 170 6 Yr Old Ewes - Wf Bucks - 5/15

Arledge Ranch - 100 7 Yr Old Ewes - Wf Bucks - 5/15

Plus more by sale time!

Please have animals in by 10:00 AM

So they can all be weighed before the sale!

2025 SHEEP SALES

April 17th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
April 24th - Bred Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
May 1st - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
May 8th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
May 15th - New Crop Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
May 22nd - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
May 29th - New Crop Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

Attention to all sheep & goat producers: It is required that every male & female animal over the age of 12 months have a scrapies tag in place to sell. These tags can be obtained by the producer for FREE by calling 1-866-873-2824. If they come to the sale barn without being tagged, you will be charged \$4/hd for our vet to do them. Please call us if you have any questions.

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CALLING ALL RODEO QUEEN CONTESTANTS!

Do you want to represent the 6x PRCA Medium Rodeo of the Year and 2024 Remuda Award winning rodeo?

The Black Hills Roundup wants you!

The 8th Annual Miss Black Hills Roundup Queen Pageant will be held on June 30 at the Christian Life Center and the Black Hills Roundup Grounds with the coronation to be held on July 1 before the Black Hills Roundup Ranch Rodeo.

The contestants will be vying for the title, crown, buckle, saddle and other prizes.

Black Hills Roundup Queen contest was created in 2018. Miss Black Hills Roundup, Jr. Miss Black Hills Roundup, Black Hills

Roundup Princess are titles for young women to promote the Black Hills Roundup, Belle Fourche, SD and the spirit and sport of rodeo.

The ladies will promote the sport of rodeo, Black Hills Roundup and engage in community events in which the Black Hills Roundup Committee endorses.

Age divisions: (as of Jan. 1st, 2025) Senior: 18 to 26; Junior: 13 to 17; and Princess: 12 & under.

No Residential Restrictions

Individuals chosen for the titles should be prepared to attend all appearances and events during the Black Hills Roundup Celebration week and events throughout the year.

The Black Hills Roundup Committee is confident that

the individuals chosen to represent this rodeo will honorably represent with their vast knowledge, horsemanship and will continue to strive to learn more about their western heritage.

Awards are given for speech, appearance/modeling, photogenic, horsemanship along with titles. Saddles to the winners in all three divisions.

If you have any questions, please contact the Black Hills Roundup Queen Coordinator: Raye Brown (605) 641-5096

The application entry deadline date is June 1, 2025.

All application information must be submitted online. <https://www.blackhillroundup.com/p/getinvolved/miss-black-hills-roundup1>



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Age Divisions:
 (As of Jan 1, 2025)
 Queen 18-26
 JrMiss 13-17
 Princess 12 & under

Saddles to the winners
 Individuals chosen should be prepared to attend all appearances and events July 1-5 during the 2025 Black Hills Roundup.
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Looking Back in Belle

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125 years ago
THE TIMES
April 12, 1900

SIXTH ARREST IN THE CADDY CASE Half Dozen Witnesses in the Recent Black Hills Trail Charged With Perjury.

Deadwood, S. D. April 9 – The sixth man has been arrested and lodged in the county jail for perjury in the Caddy case. His name is Charles Raley and he is a porter in the Derby saloon. He was greatly excited when brought before the states attorney and it is said that he made a confession of a number of important facts about the Caddy case, which are very sensational. It is now believed that all the man held for perjury will be found guilty and that they will get a sentence. Herbert Caddy, who was sentenced to twenty years in the state penitentiary for bobbery, has been given thirty days in which to carry up his case to the surpeme court. He has an uncle in Denver, named Dr. Rogers, who is backing the case. When Caddy heard his sentence he showed no emotion whatever. His young wife and little child have been constant attendants at court during the long trial. The people of this city and of Lead are pleased with the way this case has been handled. Judge Moore has been dealing hard with this lot of criminals and it is hoped that it will be the means of clearing oth cities of the element of crime.

TALK OF THE TOWN Prof. Ralston returned Saturday from his eastern trip. Joe Councn has sold his property on Artesian hill to B. M. Long. Mrs. May Crippen is agent for the Ladies' Manchester Bicycles. Cash or installment plan.

100 years
The Northwest Post
April 9, 1925

LAW BREAKERS ARE SENTENCED

Saki Niva Sent to Pen for Year and Half – Moonshiners Get Fine and Jail Sentence. Judge McNenny was in the city last Saturday for the purpose of passing sentence upon several law-breakers. Sakri Niva, an aged Finlander from the Fruitdale country, had entered a pleas of guilty to the charge of adultery. At that time Niva had been released under \$250 bonds, his future conduct to determine what action the court would take. A couple of weeks ago Niva again got into the toils in Deadwood on an adultery charge, and the court last Saturday sentenced the defendant to a term of one year and six months in the penitentiary, with an additional fine of \$500.

Rudolph Brosseitt, arrested recently for manufacturing moonshine liquor, at which time the officers confiscated a still and about forty-five gallons of the finished product, appeared in court and entered a plea of guilty. Brosseitt and his wife were arrested on a similar charge last winter, being

released under \$1,000 bonds, and this case had not yet been disposed of by the court. On the more recent charge, Brosseitt was sentenced to sixty days in the county jail and ordered to pay a fine of \$400. If the fine is not paid, the defendant will have to serve an additional 200 days in jail. Brosseitt told the court that he was brought with the moonshine game. Delmar LaMont, residing north of Nisland, who was also picked up by the officers for making moonshine liquor, admitted his guilt and drew thirty days in the county jail, with a side dish of \$250 fine.

A BIG CHANCE FOR THE BLACK HILLS Pioneer-Times: News reports have stated that the national klonklave of the Ku Klux Klan, bringing an attendance estimated from 75 to 100 thousand people, will be held at Belle Fourche on July 4th, at the same time as the Tri-State Round-Up is being given in that city. Regardless of what be thot of the Klan, whether in favor or opposed, just what is going to be done by the Black Hills towns in general in capitalizing on this monstrous gathering, promising, as it does, to be the largest ever assembled in South Dakota? There will be hundreds present who never before have heard of the Black Hills coming from other sections in South Dakota, and every portion of the Hills, if they are informed as to their many beauties and points of general interest and importance, and it strikes The Pioneer-Times that every town in this section will benefit greatly if arrangements are made to properly advertise the Hills, and make plans for the convenience and entertainment in some manner or other of the members of the Klan. It is the duty – this making arrangements for advertising the Hills to the Klansmen and for their entertainment while in the Hills – that naturally falls on the commercial organizations of the different towns. It is not a question of pro or anti Klan, it is an opportunity which none of the Hills towns can afford to overlook, from a selfish commercial standpoint.

75 years ago
The Belle Fourche Daily Post
April 11, 1950

Finally ICE GOES OUT A warm April sun and Barney Burdette at the diversion dam joined forces yesterday to clear the ice out of the Belle Fourche river. It was an eventless affair. The water backed up, the ice broke up and was swept away. At that, however, the movement of the ice is believed to be one of the largest on record. Ice began to move of its own accord about noon yesterday, so Burdette, who is the diversion dam caretaker, closed the gates of the intake canal and let the water back up in the river to float the ice and send the cakes splashing over the dam and out of the way. That's just what happened. The water backed



by Mary Buchholz

up, the ice finished breaking up and floated away. By 6 p.m. Thursday the river was comparatively clear here. Yesterday, according to the diversion dam thermometer, was the hottest of the season. Temperatures rose to a high of 65 degrees. Low Wednesday night was 26 degrees.

Bellevue Residents Name Action Committee Bellevue's needs for civic improvements received a through discussion in a two-hour session at the city hall Saturday night, when residents of that area gathered to coordinate their demands for better conditions in that section of town. As estimated 40 persons turned out for the meeting, which resulted in the selection of a five-member committee which is to prepare a resolution for submission to the city council. O. J. Brownfield was named chairman of the committee. Other members include George Christiansen, Mrs. Clarence Arbuckle and Vern Frank of north Bellevue and Dr. H. G. Dorland and Brownfield from south Bellevue. Mrs. Dorland is to serve as secretary. Numerous persons took the floor Saturday night to describe conditions in their immediate vicinity. In most cases the complaints indicated a need for grading and drainage on streets and alleys, graveling of streets and more street lights. After hearing those reports, aid Brownfield in a statement said "It is easy for one to believe that Bellevue is not forgotten but just badly neglected." The complaints and problems which were brought up Saturday night will be studied by the committee. That group in turn will coordinate the demands, make a list of specific suggestions and submit these recommendations to the city council. They hope in this way to eliminate duplicating complaints and at the same time receive a more comprehensive report on the area's needs.

50 years ago
The Belle Fourche Daily Post
April 11, 1975

Little Theater Group Plans Play For Hospital Tri-State Little Theatre Group met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Bill Hannah. President Wanda Shaykett conducted the meeting with nine members present. The group decided to present two 30-minute plays during the first week in June. The proceeds of the plays will be donated to the hospital fund. They will be under the direction of Mrs. Jean Helmer. Further dates and details will be announced later. The plays will be "Itchin' to Get Hitched," a hillbilly play that takes place in a cabin back in the hills and "The Little Women," a play adapted from the silent Laurel and Hardy film.

First Hospital Drive Project Here Saturday The first money-raising event for "Hospital Drive '75" will take place in Belle Fourche Saturday, three days before the official campaign gets under way. The Community Hall is the scene for a spring bazaar, rummage sale and country store sponsored by Lambda Chapter, Beta Signa Phi. Originally planned as a fund-raiser for the communications system for the hospital, the even will now donate all proceeds to the "Hospital Drive '75" fund. With the cooperation of other Beta Signa Phi Chapters in Belle Fourche, Lambda Chapter has gathered new and used items, crafts, clothing and baked goods for a sale which will last from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to donate items to the sale should contact say member of Lambda or bring them to the Community Hall by 8:30 Saturday morning.

CANDLES AND MIRRORS #28
By DeAnn (Wolkow) Kruempel
"Know When to Run"



My lungs burned like fire and my heart pounded wildly. Behind me, footsteps bit into the gravel, but I pushed on. He was getting closer! At last, I reached the gate, slipped through and jerked it shut behind me. Chest heaving, I whirled to face my pursuer. One beady eye stared up at me for a second. Then he pecked at something on the ground and strolled nonchalantly back to the barn.

For one summer I lived in fear of the banty rooster on our farm. His tail curled with blue and purple plumes. Iridescent feathers collared his proud head like a lion's mane. They puffed up when he was angry, revealing a thin bare neck. But what scared me most were his spurs—little swords attached to each foot.

Dad told me not to run. "If you face him without fear, he will walk away." Easy for Dad to say. At five, I was much closer to the ground.

So, as an adult, I resolved that I would never again live in fear of a rooster. If one so much as looked at me cross-eyed, it was to the soup-pot with him.

Brooster came into my life as one of six baby chicks. Of course, I didn't know he was a rooster until he was old enough to crow. I had read that a rooster will protect the flock from predators, so I decided I would keep him, as long as he behaved.

Life was good and the hens were happy until one afternoon, as I was carrying the water bucket from the coop, something rammmed into my back legs. I whirled around to see Brooster scurrying away. Two bruises centered with small punctures reminded me of my rooster's transgression for several days. But I could not bring myself to get rid of him. (Sometimes soup-pots are over-rated.)

I decided to try to make him a pet. Surely, he would not attack if he learned to like me. Every night I grabbed him off the roost, held him on my lap (tightly grasping spurry feet) and petted him. I explained that he could stay if he was a good boy. Every night he glared at me with a beady eye that told me I did not know how to make

friends and influence roosters. I gave up on the best-buds plan, but learned to cope with having a mean rooster. I never turned my back when he was close by. I always wore long pants and boots. It worked, mostly, and years went by as Brooster's spurs grew to four inches. I still kept a wary eye behind me.

One day last fall, the old rooster had his chance for redemption. The flock was outside, searching for bugs. I was working in the garden not far away. All at once, Brooster crowed out a frantic alarm. The hens scurried to shelter. I cautiously scoped the yard, wondering what danger lurked in the shadows.

Suddenly I spotted movement. A tawny-gray shape skulked toward Brooster. A coyote! I yelled and headed for that wily critter, running right past Brooster. The coyote hightailed back into the woods, never to be seen again.

The event established a truce between Brooster and me. He never attacked again. Did he admire my bravery at taking on the coyote? Or, did he know that if I had not intervened, he likely would have given his life for the flock?

Anthropomorphism is the term for giving human characteristics to animals. I find it easy to do, especially when I have grown to love the creatures.

Brooster died yesterday. His age-worn body now rests under an Aronia tree, close to the spot where he stood, ready to fight the coyote.

I will miss the feisty old guy who taught me that I could love even a mean rooster. I also learned when to run.

For Every Easter Basket!

Books, memories and smiles make excellent Easter gifts! Stories from Kruempel's previous columns have been published. Those four books, along with her historical fiction series, "Promises to Keep," are available on Amazon. Contact the author at deannkruempelauthor@gmail.com.

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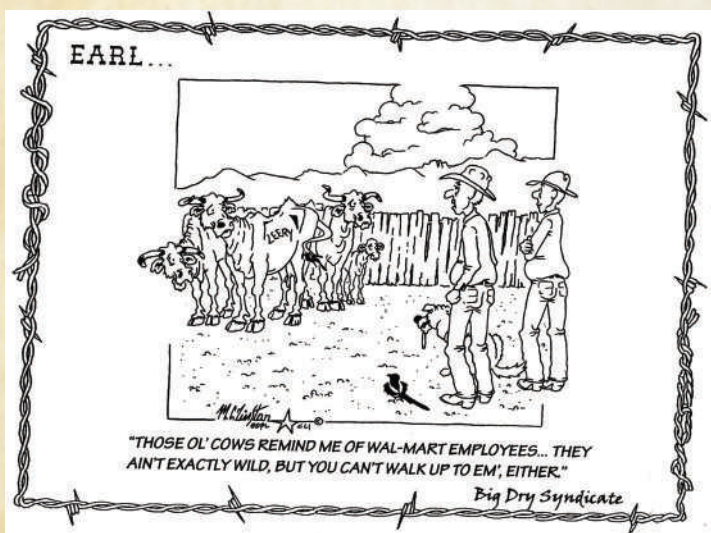
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St. James Lutheran Church representative Vicar Ronda Mehrer shared, "The funds will go directly to the communities and people who continue to deal with the devastating effects of the North Carolina storms."

St. James Lutheran heard from church member Linda Stambaugh, whose daughter, Emily, and her husband, Lee, live in Black Mountain, North Carolina.

The couple supports the Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministries, which continues to help people impacted by the North Carolina floods and Hurricane Helene. People are living in tents and lack basic supplies.

The St. James Lutheran Church Mission and Evangelism



Committee and members of St. James Lutheran went into action.

The spaghetti event was organized, and volunteers provided a tasty meal of spaghetti, salads, homemade garlic bread, and pie for the community, only requesting a free will donation. Over 12 lbs. of spaghetti was served.

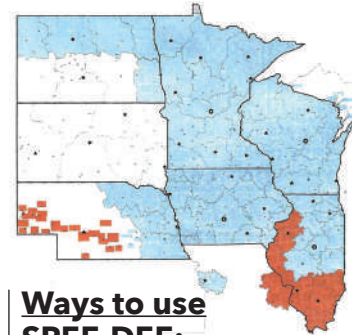
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FEEDER CATTLE	HD	DESC	WT	BID	\$/HEAD
Ivn Cattle Co Llc, Newcastle WY	94	Blk/Bwf-Str	567	402.00	\$ 2,239.65
	26	Blk/Bwf-Str	427	410.00	\$ 1,748.80
	48	Blk/Bwf-Hfr	510	330.00	\$ 1,683.34
Castleberry Inc, Ekalaka MT	106	Hfr-Str	502	433.00	\$ 2,175.00
	70	Hfr-Str	425	445.00	\$ 1,891.56
Schultz Llc, Ekalaka MT	63	Black-Str	641	366.00	\$ 2,346.46
	15	Black-Str	522	415.00	\$ 2,166.30
	53	Black-Hfr	600	338.00	\$ 2,028.31
Cross W Livestock, Ekalaka MT	100	Black-Yrig Hfr	843	286.50	\$ 2,414.04
Iron Mountain Cattle Co, Belle Fourche SD	70	Black-Yrig Hfr	894	272.00	\$ 2,431.68
	64	Blk/Bwf-Yrig Hfr	805	290.00	\$ 2,335.63
Scheldorf Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	15	Hfr-Yrig Hfr	699	346.00	\$ 2,417.38
	25	Hfr-Yrig Hfr	717	320.00	\$ 2,293.12
	7	Hfr-Yrig Hfr	628	321.00	\$ 2,015.42
Larson Family Ltd Partner, Spearfish SD	20	Black-Yrig Hfr	833	291.00	\$ 2,424.03
Joe Burke, Newell SD	15	Blk/Bwf-Hfr	729	284.50	\$ 2,074.00
Labree's Red Hill Ranch, Miles City MT	17	Black-Hfr	632	315.00	\$ 1,991.91
Paul Or Judy Hinkhouse, Nisland SD	39	Rd/Blk-Str	887	261.50	\$ 2,318.29
Sleep Ranches Llc, Spearfish SD	34	Black-Str	811	285.00	\$ 2,310.17
	18	Black-Str	720	313.00	\$ 2,253.60
James Or Patricia Lawrence, Buffalo WY	33	Red/Rwf-Str	715	315.00	\$ 2,251.77
X Bar Cattle Co, Rozet WY	29	Blk/Bwf-Hfr	762	274.00	\$ 2,086.65
Cole Or Gina Ketelsen, Sturgis SD	16	Black-Hfr	743	278.00	\$ 2,066.75
	13	Black-Hfr	635	301.00	\$ 1,910.19
Dale & Carmel Hansen, Banner WY	19	Blk/Bwf-Hfr	560	345.00	\$ 1,931.09
Frye Ranch Llc, Ekalaka MT	27	Black-Str	493	405.00	\$ 1,998.00
Paul Palczewski, Ludlow SD	7	Rd/Blk-Str	547	355.00	\$ 1,942.35
Amin Finkbeiner, Belle Fourche SD	7	Blk/Bwf-Str	546	362.50	\$ 1,978.21
Wes Reinford, Nisland SD	9	Blk/Bwf-Str	677	300.00	\$ 2,031.66
Cody & Donna Stewart, Newcastle WY	9	Blk/Bwf-Hfr	536	340.00	\$ 1,820.88

WEIGH-UPS	HD	DESC	WT	BID	\$/HEAD
Rafter Diamond Lip, Buffalo SD	3	Black-Cow	1255	165.50	\$ 2,077.02
	4	Black-Cow	1694	154.50	\$ 2,616.84
	1	Black-Cow	1165	193.00	\$ 2,248.45
	1	Black-Cow	1245	155.00	\$ 1,929.75
	1	Black-Cow	1315	156.00	\$ 2,051.40
Steven Schuldies, Nisland SD	1	Black-Cow	1325	142.50	\$ 1,888.12
	1	Black-Cow	1280	162.00	\$ 2,073.60
	1	Black-Cow	1345	154.00	\$ 2,071.30
Jay Mpherson, Piedmont SD	4	Blk/Bwf-Cow	1288	160.00	\$ 2,060.00
	1	Bwf-Cow	1225	166.00	\$ 2,033.50
	1	Bwf-Cow	1135	168.00	\$ 1,906.80
Kermit Rumph, Biddle MT	1	Black-Cow	1095	210.00	\$ 2,299.50
Steve Wilkinson, Hill City SD	1	Black-Cow	1295	159.50	\$ 2,065.52
Bernard Barnaud, Nisland SD	1	Rwf-Cow	1475	158.50	\$ 2,337.87
	1	Char-Cow	1400	159.00	\$ 2,226.00
Thompson Ranch Inc, Sturgis SD	1	Black-Cow	1515	155.00	\$ 2,348.25
	1	Black-Cow	1465	156.50	\$ 2,292.72
	2	Black-Cow	1458	158.50	\$ 2,310.13
	1	Black-Cow	1770	155.00	\$ 2,743.50
	1	Black-Cow	1330	166.00	\$ 2,207.80
Shawn Fligge, Upton WY	2	Black-Hfr	1050	233.00	\$ 2,446.50
Bruce Blair, Piedmont SD	2	Blk/Bwf-Cow	1513	158.50	\$ 2,397.31

	1	Black-Cow	1795	150.00	\$ 2,692.50
Joe Fortner, Biddle MT	11	Black-Hfr	1029	240.50	\$ 2,473.87
	3	Black-Hfr	1030	229.00	\$ 2,358.70
	1	Black-Cow	1375	159.00	\$ 2,186.25
Amin Finkbeiner, Belle Fourche SD	5	Rd/Blk-Cow	1612	153.00	\$ 2,466.36
	1	Black-Hfr	905	258.00	\$ 2,334.90
Bryce Sigman, Sturgis SD	1	Black-Cow	1450	160.50	\$ 2,327.25
	1	Black-Hfr	955	240.00	\$ 2,292.00
	1	Black-Hfr	1175	211.00	\$ 2,479.25
Todd Barkley, Baker MT	6	Black-Cow	1201	196.00	\$ 2,353.63
	2	Black-Cow	1370	157.50	\$ 2,157.75
	1	Black-Cow	1495	159.00	\$ 2,377.05
	1	Black-Cow	1225	158.00	\$ 1,935.50
	2	Black-Hfr	1223	194.00	\$ 2,371.65
Harry Tavegia, Osage WY	1	Black-Cow	1205	194.00	\$ 2,337.70
	1	Bwf-Cow	1800	153.00	\$ 2,754.00
James A Mcozy, Belle Fourche SD	1	Black-Cow	1360	155.00	\$ 2,108.00
	1	Black-Cow	1380	154.00	\$ 2,125.20
	1	Black-Cow	1325	155.50	\$ 2,060.37
	1	Black-Cow	1510	158.00	\$ 2,385.80
	1	Black-Cow	1320	155.00	\$ 2,046.00
Shane Finn, Nisland SD	1	Red-Cow	1585	158.00	\$ 2,504.30
	1	Red-Cow	1450	157.50	\$ 2,283.75
	1	Red-Cow	1645	157.00	\$ 2,582.65
Dale & Carmel Hansen, Banner WY	1	Black-Cow	1365	160.00	\$ 2,184.00
	1	Bwf-Cow	1235	169.00	\$ 2,087.15
Julie Hurst, Buffalo SD	1	Black-Hfr	710	259.00	\$ 1,838.90
Charles Or Annette Steffan, Beaufield ND	1	Black-Cow	1455	154.00	\$ 2,240.70
	1	Red-Cow	1505	158.00	\$ 2,377.90
	1	Red-Cow	1545	154.50	\$ 2,387.02

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	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2240	185.00	\$ 4,144.00
Spur Land & Livestock Llc, Newcastle WY	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1940	167.00	\$ 3,239.80
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1845	177.50	\$ 3,274.87
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1925	157.50	\$ 3,031.87
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1585	182.00	\$ 2,902.90
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1905	175.00	\$ 3,333.75
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1855	175.00	\$ 3,246.25
Ivn Cattle Co Llc, Newcastle WY	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2225	184.50	\$ 4,105.12
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1885	185.00	\$ 3,487.25
Robert Arpan, Alzada MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1735	173.50	\$ 3,010.22
Troy & Debbie Harrington, Hammond MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2135	182.50	\$ 3,896.37
Baxter Or Skyler Anders, Rapid City SD	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2090	187.50	\$ 3,918.75
Julie Hurst, Buffalo SD	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1905	158.00	\$ 3,009.90

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Ribbon Cutting Takes Place at Belle Fourche Livestock Market

Robbi Longbrake

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BELLE FOURCHE—Belle Fourche Livestock Market took a break during their regular Thursday sale to spend a few minutes celebrating the new owner, Travis Linch, in a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on April 3.

Taking center stage, right down in the sale ring, cattle made way for family and friends to gather.

The Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce unspooled ribbon and handed Linch an extra large pair of scissors for him to use to cut the ribbon.

The symbolic act kicks off the official beginning of the sale barn under Linch's tutelage. "It's really kind of overwhelming—kind of exciting though—to see the support of the whole community and surrounding areas, truly," explained Linch. "I mean this is a

lot of people, it's pretty cool!"

Linch took over the sale barn in the beginning of 2025 and has been working hard to learn the ins and outs of the business.

"I just hope to keep the support and keep the local economy thriving and I just want to support the town as well as they

support me," said Linch.

The kitchen served pie and coffee to all of those in attendance.

Belle Fourche Livestock Market a vital part of cattle country and has been serving the Tri-State area since 1935.



Travis Linch, Owner of Belle Fourche Livestock Market, surrounded by family, friends and the Chamber of Commerce, gets ready to cut the ribbon to celebrate his recent ownership. Longbrake photo

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Friday: 7:30 p.m.

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Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

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5:30pm - Salt and Light

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Worship: 10:45 a.m.

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Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Class

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Sunday Services: 9AM and 10:30AM

PRAIRIE HOME CHURCH

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Worship: 11 a.m.

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Capitol News

March 30
by Karen Odell

We had snow again, at Capitol and on Tie Creek. It was a nice soft rain that turned to snow, and by Saturday afternoon the ground was white again. Sunday warmed up, and by mid-afternoon the snow had melted again, but even after that flakes kept falling.

Erma and Dick Albert went to Spearfish for a doctor's appointment, on Wednesday. On Friday, they went to the Senior Citizen Dinner in Buffalo. Those who were fasting on Friday, for Lent, had fish, and others had chicken. They went to the Catholic Church on Sunday. After church, they went to Saloon Number Three for lunch, and were joined by the Erk and Helms families and Father Brian. Marlee Cordell made a trip to Spearfish, on Tuesday. Her computer had quit, and she needed to get a new one. The Queen City Basketball Tournament was happening on Saturday and Sunday, so Marlee went down to see her grandchildren play in the tournament. Ryan and Tawnis kids were playing, and Gavin and Rhys Pearson were in the tournament, too. Alvin stayed home, and on Saturday, attended the Mary Brewer birthday party at the Camp Crook Community Center. Mary was celebrating her 99th birthday, and a large crowd was there to help her celebrate. Alvin had measured about a half-inch of moisture during the week. Ryan is calving the older cows up at the Horton place, and Alvin has the three-year-olds at his place.

Lynn Gustafson made a trip to the Hills on Tuesday, to do some shopping, and get ready for the birthday party on Saturday.

The Diligent Doers were going to help with plans for the Mary Brewer birthday party, on Saturday at the community center.

Doug and Julia Davis had appointments and meetings in the Black Hills on Wednesday. On Friday Pastor Mike came out to the ranch, and they had a good visit. On Saturday, Travis, Rory and Oliver Davis came out for a visit and to gather some of their belongings that had been stored at the ranch. They helped Grandpa

with some chores. Keaton Davis will be part of a choir concert on Monday.

Ernie, Rachel, Tommy, Junior and Shirley Melum went in to Camp Crook for the Mary Brewer birthday party, on Saturday. It was a great day of visiting and seeing old friends. Daniel Kalbach is staying with them for a while, to help with calving heifers. Ernie and Rachel are busy with the older cows at their place, and are keeping close to home.

Dorothy, Ashley and Dawn Padden have been busy preparing for the Mary Brewer birthday party. All the Diligent Doers Extension Club helped decorate for the afternoon gathering. Mary had brought a signature bed sheet, that she had kept from previous celebrations. It was covered with signatures and memories, and new signatures and memories were added to it on Saturday. There were lots of pictures, stories and memories for everyone to enjoy.

Things were quiet this week at the Odell ranch. We were glad to get some more moisture, and still get some outside work done one of the days. Saturday was a special day for Mary Brewer and many people celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday at the Camp Crook Community Center. The rain and snow brought muddy roads, that inhibited some from travel. On Sunday, Karen and Hywel went to church in Georgia, on TV. Karen visited with all of her children, this week. Kellan Odell is busy with high school track and competes in long jump, triple jump and javelin. Carson Odell is in eighth grade track.

Kyia Smith was selected for honor choir and performed in a concert this weekend. Micki Odell is in a choir concert, and found her Carter County zippered clothes cover to use for transporting her concert clothes. Amanda Odell performed in a beautiful bell choir festival, this weekend in Iowa. Karen also visited with her brothers. Ron Evans called on Saturday, and Jim Evans, called on Sunday. Karen's niece Martha Nau texted with Karen, and all of her kids sent text messages, too.

If you are alone in the middle of the forest and you eat six cream-filled cupcakes, did they really contain any calories?



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Tariffs and the Local Economy: Building National and Community Resilience

While tariffs may be a controversial topic to many, as an economic tool thoughtfully implemented, they can play a crucial role in fostering local economic development at both the local and national levels. By strategically adjusting the cost equation for imported goods, tariffs can help create the economic conditions allowing local businesses to thrive while encouraging consumers to "think local" with their purchasing decisions.



to Bureau of Labor Statistics data, help sustain local economies by creating employment that supports families and generates tax revenue for community services.

Beyond national security concerns, tariffs can address harmful trade practices that undermine local production. When foreign competitors benefit from government subsidies, lower environmental standards, or exploitative labor practices, the playing field becomes unfairly tilted. A study from the Economic Policy Institute estimated that the U.S. lost 3.4 million jobs to China between 2001-2017, with manufacturing communities bearing the brunt of this displacement.

The ripple effects of these job losses extend beyond the factory floor. For every manufacturing job lost, communities lose approximately 1.6 additional jobs in services, retail, and other sectors that depend on those workers' spending. Local tax bases erode, schools struggle, and small businesses close, creating a downward spiral difficult to reverse.

Strategic tariffs can help interrupt this cycle by creating breathing room for local industries to modernize and compete. The revenue generated from tariffs can be directly reinvested in workforce development, infrastructure, and technology adoption – the foundations of competitive local economies.

At the community level,

the benefits of tariffs can be amplified by complementary "buy local" initiatives. Studies consistently show that money spent at local businesses recirculates in the community at much higher rates than money spent at national chains or online retailers. The American Independent Business Alliance found that approximately 48% of revenue from local businesses recirculates locally, compared to just 14% from chain stores.

This multiplier effect means that supporting local producers creates substantially more local economic activity. When consumers can find locally-produced alternatives to imported goods – alternatives made possible in part by the protective effects of tariffs – their purchasing decisions have greater positive impact on their communities. Critics often argue that tariffs raise prices for consumers, but this perspective overlooks several important factors.

First, when full costs of globalization are considered – including environmental damage from long-distance shipping, community economic deterioration, and increased dependence on foreign suppliers – the true price of "cheap" imports becomes much higher. Second, domestic competition can help keep prices reasonable even with tariffs in place. Third, the revenue generated by tariffs can be used to offset costs for consumers through tax reductions or targeted subsidies.

Perhaps most importantly, a strategic tariff approach recognizes that not all goods need to be produced locally. The goal isn't economic isolation but rather thoughtful balance. For goods where local production makes sense – either for security reasons, to leverage local resources and skills, or to maintain critical industrial capacity – tariffs can provide the necessary support. For goods better sourced globally, free trade remains appropriate.

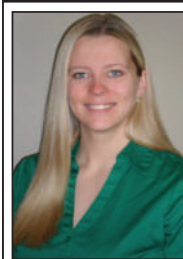
An example of tariffs used by foreign countries that don't

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work for America might be the in Europe. You will find very few American automobiles in Europe; between the tariffs they have on American goods coupled with their VAT taxing system, the cost to purchase American made automobiles is far too high as compared to their European models. This helps to protect their manufacturing base from erosion.

For communities seeking to strengthen local economies, advocating for smart tariff policies can be part of a comprehensive approach that also includes "buy local" campaigns, workforce development programs, and zoning that supports local businesses. By aligning national trade policy with community economic development goals, we can create resilient economies at all levels.

Ultimately, tariffs represent one important tool among many for

fostering truly local economies. When thoughtfully implemented as part of a comprehensive economic strategy, they can help create communities where local businesses thrive, meaningful employment abounds, and economic benefits are widely shared. Being truly-local isn't always about just your community, it can be a countywide, statewide, or even national issue that ushers great growth and prosperity.

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Robert Funkey, Chairman of the Board of Moose International to be Speaker at Local Lions Annual Fundraiser, April 24



Robert Funky, Chairman, Moose International Board of Officers is from St. Clair Shores, MI where he is a member of Lodge #1837, will be the guest speaker at Moose Local #859 April 24th Annual fundraiser.



Central Meade County News

By Sandy Rhoden April 6, 2025



While last week's weather was fairly brisk and somewhat damp, the weekend dried gradually as temperatures also leaned into a gradual warming trend.

While Central Meade County received a bit of moisture we are in need of a good, healthy rain.

For avid skiers like Lorie and Gary Hausmann, the last day to enjoy a day on the mountain was Saturday.

They had a special event at Terry Peak that included a pond like water feature that avid skiers slid across with their skies. Some made it across while

others didn't.

The deadline for taxes due is coming up on April 15. For those who are unable to do so they can file an extension.

Prayers for Susan Delbridge were heard as after her surgery she came back with a great report of being cancer free. We continue to hold up Francie Sanders and Heidi Comes.

A pot luck dinner was held after church services on Sunday. Reggie Rhoden attended church in Union Center and spent some time afterwards at the family ranch to catch up before Larry and Sandy headed back to Pierre. Rick and Mick will be at the

Elm Springs church next Sunday, Palm Sunday, at 2:00 pm. While they won't perform they will be in Union Center next Sunday for 11:00 am services. Bill Meirose is hosting them and will take them to Elm Springs after church.

The Governor is continuing his Opportunity Tour around the state and enjoying it very much.

One would be surprised to see what all is being made here in South Dakota. This week's tour will involve a variety of locations and experiences in both the eastern and western parts of the state.

Hopefully this week will bring about some nice weather to enjoy, but we mostly could use a good rain.

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2025	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
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	7 Swiss Steak Mashed Potatoes Roasted Carrots Dinner Roll 	8 Shepard's Pie Garden Salad Dinner Roll	9 Liver & Onions -OR- Hamburger Baked Potato Mixed Veggies	10 Chicken Enchiladas Spanish Rice Refried Beans	11 Fish or Chicken Sandwich Green Beans Potato Salad
	14 Broccoli & Cheese Stuffed Chicken Roasted Potato Roasted Veggies	15 Beef Barley Soup Garden Salad Breadstick	16 Hawaiian Pork Loin Baked Potato Mixed Veggies	17 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Dinner Rolls	18 Tuna or Chicken Salad on Croissant Garden Salad Dinner Roll
	21 Chicken Cordon Bleu Creamy Spinach Garlic Bread	22 Sloppy Joes Steak Fries Broccoli Salad	23 Tater tot casserole Green Beans Dinner Roll	24 Chicken & Dumplings Brussel sprouts Breadstick	25 Ham & Potato Soup Garden Salad Dinner Roll
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Show Up

by Belle LaVenue



The stage at the Belle Fourche Rec Center has been rockin' & rollin' as the crew & cast of GREASE creates an awesome set. The BFHS Theater production is under the direction of Toi Flick & Allie Jusso Verry. Musical Director is Micah Pennel. The cast for this popular musical includes Danny- Logan Willert; Sandy- Trinity Hostetter, Kenickie-Timothy Thompson, Doody- Kale Williams, Roger- Derek Scott, Sonny- John Hale, Rizzo- Kate Blair, Frenchy- Sonja Cropper, Marty- Alexa Stone, Jan- Iva Hale, Patty- Aoloni Stone, Eugene- Trevor Welles, Cha-Cha- Kaeli Thompson, Miss Lynch- Mercedes Madison, Vince Fontaine- Dillon Streeter, Johnny Casino- Derek Scott, Teen Angel- Kale Williams, Female Radio Voice- Abby Schmidt, and in the Ensemble: Madisyn Carson, Tace Hartman, Avery Mastin, Trey Shannon, Chelsea Zinke, Mollie Collins; Tech Crew: Wyatt Lesmeister, Hunter Brown, Madison Dalton, Mark Mullins.

The Belle Fourche Fine Arts Boosters are inviting performers & artists of all kinds to their annual Community Variety Show on May 4th. The show has included acts of all kinds over the years - vocal & instrumental soloists & ensembles, comedy routines, dance performances, and even aerialists - and they welcome acts of all types again. This year the group is expanding their fundraising event, adding artists to the show with an exhibition of work from local painters, photographers, multimedia creators, folk artists, & specialty crafters. Young & old alike are welcome to prepare performances or bring art pieces for an afternoon in celebration of our talented citizens. Refreshments will be provided by FAB volunteers & donors. All proceeds benefit fine arts opportunities for the youth in our community. **Organization & business sponsors for the show can choose their own donation amount, be featured in the show promotions, & receive complimentary tickets.** Donors may specifically sponsor a performer or artist & enjoy multiple shout-outs & thank-yous in print & at the show! Contact the Fine Arts Boosters by email, bfhsfab@gmail.com or by text, 605-892-2342, to JOIN THE SHOW!

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The Belle Fourche Fine Arts Boosters is working on their upcoming Community Variety Show on May 4th, a Sunday afternoon, at the Belle Fourche Community Hall. This FUNraiser showcases local talent & the arts. If you have an act or art to share, contact the BF FAB at bfhsfab@gmail.com.

April 25-27, BFHS Musical Production of GREASE; Fri/Sat @ 7:00 PM & Sun. @ 3:00 PM, BF Rec Center Theater.

May 4, Sunday, Fine Arts Boosters, Community Variety & Arts Show, Belle Fourche Community Hall, 2:30 PM.

May 5, Monday, BFHS Band/Chorus Concert @ the Rec Center Theater, 7:00 PM

May 8, Thurs., BFMS Band Concert @ the Rec Center Theater, 6:30 PM

May 13, Tues., BFMS Chorus Concert @ the Rec Center Theater, 6:30 PM

Maybe YOU know what SHOW is UP next? Share your fine arts tidbits and upcoming events at bellelavenue@gmail.com. I especially love the juicy backstage dish and green room gossip! Mark your calendars, friends, so you



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Sunday, April 27th at 2pm
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11th Annual Wellness Fair at Rec Center

Ryder Heitz

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BELLE FOURCHE—The Belle Fourche Rec Center held its 11th annual Wellness Fair on Saturday, April 5. From 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., 33 vendors from local businesses, organizations, and health centers were set up at booths in the gym.

The event was free to the public and included giveaways and door prizes, discounted wellness labs from Monument Health, a Vitalant blood drive, kids' zone, fitness class promo, rec center membership specials, and discounted summer swim lesson sign-ups.

"We're here to promote health in the community, but not

just from the physical standpoint. You know, it's all aspects of wellness, the whole person," said Tessa Anderson-Voyles, Program Coordinator.

"So that's why we have all sorts of great booths here, whether it be mental health, physical, spiritual, nutritional things, social things, volunteerism and all those aspects."

Dr. Nick Czosnyka, General Surgeon at Monument Health Spearfish, said "I think it's important for us to let people know what services are available in their community. It's always a little surprising.

Maybe someone doesn't even realize we can do colonoscopies in Spearfish, and they think they have to go to Rapid

City, right? So there's a lot of services that are right next door that maybe, for whatever reason, people just aren't aware of that." He added, "Being present in the community, I think it shows that we're available to help them and answer questions and just really kind of make sure they know it's available."

Monument Health's Lab on Demand booth, which provided discounted blood panels to attendees, was a big draw. "They're called Lab on Demand, and they can be done anytime, not just at the Wellness Fair," explained Michelle Jensen of Monument Health Belle Fourche.

"They're discounted labs. And it's kind of like you get to choose what works for you. You

can check your B-12, you can check your Vitamin D, we have a hormone panel, we have a wellness panel. So it's kind of like à la carte," she said.

If someone wants to take advantage of Lab on Demand, they are available at all of the local Monument Health clinics—Belle Fourche, Spearfish, and Sturgis.

No doctor's orders are required; the labs can be done at one's own discretion.

Additionally, the Wellness Fair included booths from organizations like the VFW, Belle Fourche Community Theater, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Black Hills Road Trip of Hope, and the Belle Fourche Police Department and Volunteer Fire Department. Officer Ryan Duprel of the BFPD spent the day

teaching people about the importance of physical fitness, especially within law enforcement. "What I'm talking to people about today is being physically fit and how physical fitness is good for your mental health and everything like that," he said.

Police officers wear 25-pound vests every day while on shift. "Wearing these things all day isn't easy," said Duprel. "Then you add you gun belt to it, which is about another 10 to 15 pounds. It's a lot of weight, so by the end, you're wearing an extra 50 pounds.

Being physically fit is very important in law enforcement."

With a strong turnout, a wide range of services, and a focus on whole-person wellness, the Belle Fourche Wellness Fair once again proved to be



(L) Locals gathered at **Monument Health's Lab on Demand** and information booths. (C) A fair attendee enjoys the **Energy Medicine** with **Paula J. Walker** booth. (R) Officer **Ryan Duprel** of the **Belle Fourche Police Department** promotes physical fitness to a group of Wellness Fair attendees. *Longbrake photos*

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B's Buzz

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Have I told you about my new office? It's only taken more than 20 years to build (more like 25). We poured the footings back in the 1990's with the expectation that it would get done in a month or so. Milk prices were high, the cows were doing well and the milk check had been outstanding for several months.

I measured and planned and dreamed of a room that would hold all my office stuff and all the canning supplies. I had a picture of what it would look like and what kind of flowers I would grow around the outside. They were grand plans!

But, life happens and sometimes goes in a different direction than what we plan. The next month, the milk check was several thousand dollars lower than it had been in a year. And it never came back to the same milk price again. In fact, within the next few years, milk price dropped to nearly 1970's milk prices.

The life of a farmer! You plan and dream and try to do your best, but sometimes life happens. It takes a dip and then a dive, a swoop and then it goes upside down. We hang on and always look to the future.

I didn't realize that when those footings were poured with Matthew and Daniel helping and learning about handling concrete that they were working on a legacy for me to enjoy decades later.

In the last few months, I watched as the men began to build this room on the footings put down years ago. The door comes out on the concrete pad worked by Daniel under the guidance of his dad. He was so very proud of being able to do it as a preteen.

One large window faces north overseeing the cow lot and apple trees we planted 40 years ago. There's also a "pond" that Daniel dug. It's actually a lined hole, it's had water in it, but it keeps draining out. This year, it will be filled and have a fountain so that I can enjoy it as I work at the computer.

It makes me realize that sometimes we have to wait for the good things in life. A lot has happened since those footings were poured. Daniel has been gone for 23 years and Matthew just a short three and half years. The dreams they had then have not all come about, but they left a legacy for me, their mom.

Life has been good all these

Let's Visit- An NVN Conversation

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Dakota Life Community Conversation Coming to Newell South Dakota Public Broadcasting producers will be coming to Newell April 16. Come by and visit with your stories any time during the afternoon and evening and share your story about Newell and the surrounding area.

The stories from past Dakota Life communities are wide-ranging and diverse. The cover unique places and landmarks from present-day successes, interesting tales, and local legends.

Everyone from the NVN community is encouraged and welcome to come to the Newell City Hall during the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, April 16.

See you there!



years. We don't milk cows anymore, but we feed some of our own and some of other producers. We have watched grandchildren grow and embrace life. And we have held onto each other all through the ups and downs.

April 6 is Daniel's birthday. It's a bitter-sweet day. One that brings memories like watching him work the concrete or dig the pond for me. And then there's the realization of not being able to celebrate his birthday today. But I know that he is in heaven and I'll see him some day and we will have eternity together.

I try to end this column with some profound thought or encouragement, but today I just want everyone to appreciate family and friends. Hug 'em. Squeeze 'em. Hold them close.

We may think our dreams will never come true but then again it may take 25 years to us to see them. I'm always looking forward!



Fellowship Time



Last Year at the Community Holy Thursday potluck, area residents enjoyed good food and fellowship. Plan on joining the community this year on April 17. Betty Bruner Photo

Commemorating Easter Week

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The Thursday before Easter, April 17 this year, is often celebrated as "Holy Thursday" or "Maundy Thursday." This day commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with his

disciples. During this time he established Communion and gave the commandment to love one another.

Before his capture and death, Jesus shared one last supper with his disciples, on the day of the Passover Seder.

He shared bread and wine, symbolizing his body and blood. And in an act of humility he washed the feet of his disciples.

Maundy comes from the Latin "mandatum" which means "commandment." Holy Thursday is then also known as Maundy Thursday because it is associated with the washing of the disciples' feet when Jesus gave the new commandment.

Once again, this year the community of Newell will celebrate Holy Thursday with a potluck meal and gathering for fellowship. The potluck will begin at 6 p.m. at Newell City Hall, Thursday, April 17.

Meat, roasted potatoes, dinner rolls, drinks and plates and utensils will be furnished. Please bring a side-dish, salad, or dessert to share.

The event is open to everyone and will give us the opportunity to come together to renew friendships. It will be a time of hope, health, and love. Communion will be offered.

Please join us in celebrating the Easter season!



Dave Wagner performs country gospel music at the Easter potluck last year. Courtesy Photo

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Grand River Roundup



Early this week felt more like winter than spring with snow last Sunday, Monday, a lot on Tuesday and Wednesday with temperatures in the 30s but the week ended with a temperature of 66 degrees on Sunday and no snow.

I have a correction to my column last week when I reported that Sam Olson installed the electricity to the pull-down movie screen and projector at the church because that was what Reub told me. Actually, it was Sam Podzimek that did the installing at the church! Sorry about that.

The guys had the sheep in the shed to avoid the snow when Loren Opstedahl and his crew came to shear the sheep Monday morning. Sage, Ellarie, Irelyn and Dathan came down

from Hettinger to help and several high school boys came out from Buffalo to help. Louise Jenson brought little Keen down to watch the shearing and play with Taz and Amanda's kids. I was able to go over and visit with everyone a little bit before I headed out for the High Plains Western Heritage board meeting in Spearfish that day. When I came home late that afternoon I met the shearing trailer, the sheep shearers, and the high school boys headed out to the highway after they were done shearing.

There is another new baby in the neighborhood. Dorena and Jesse Lensegrav are the proud parents of a baby daughter, little Gretel Dandelion Lensegrav was born on Saturday, March 29, weighing in at 7 pounds and 4

ounces. Congratulations to the Lensegraves!

How fitting that it started to rain and snow on Tuesday, April 1 that was April Fools' Day! I mentioned in my column last week that my Aunt Claire John's birthday was on April Fools' Day but I had forgotten that Reub's late cousin Cliff Olson also had his birthday on that day until his sister-in-law, Marilyn Olson, emailed me that it was also Cliff's birthday. I'll bet a lot of Olsons really had fun joking with Cliff about his birthday on that day. It's a good thing he had a great sense of humor. I went down to pick up Copper and Knox that afternoon at Doll's mailbox when Janet Doll brought them and her grandson Beau Doll home from the school bus at Reva.

took the kids up to meet little Summit Caroline, Trent and Syd Turbville's two week old baby girl. Congratulations to the Turbville family!

I dumped a little bit of rain out of the rain gauge that we got Thursday night before it started snowing and we woke up Friday morning to see the ground white with snow again. It didn't last long with the temperature in the 40s, but it's nice to get more moisture. Jace and Kami Jenson brought Keen and Kage down to play with Taz and Amanda's kids on Friday while they went to the Hills. Casey and Taz took the load of wool down to Belle Fourche that afternoon and got home in time to do chores.

Sadly, there are more deaths to report: Frieda (Steininger) Dewey, 95, passed away on Sunday, March 30, at the Western Horizons Care Center in Hettinger. Her funeral service was Saturday, April 5, at the Abundant Life Assembly of God Church in Hettinger. Frieda's late husband Kenneth Dewey was a good friend of my father Bryce White and they had some good times together.

Sharon Kvanvig's brother, Larry Klein, 75, of Bismarck, passed away on Wednesday, April 2, at Maple View Memory Care Center in Bismarck. His funeral service was Monday, April 7, at The Assembly of God Church in Mott.

These families have our sympathy.

I leave you with this:

I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom - until they are flashing behind you.

Then and Now in Newell

"Looking Forward to our Past"

April 8, 1915

Dr. C. A. Michels of Rapid City, District Agriculture Agent, was in Newell Friday and talked to the school children in the afternoon on corn, hog and chicken contests and kindred subjects. Dr. Hills will give a talk to the pupils also on Friday at 2:30 PM, on the subjects of health and sanitation. All the people from the school are cordially invited to be present.

The Newell Hardware Co. has the following field seeds at the lowest market prices: oats, corn, wheat, barley, speltz, timothy, cane, millet and alfalfa. They also have all kinds of bulk garden vegetable seeds at competitive prices.



The new elevator was built near the railroad tracks, south of Newell, 1915
Newell Museum

Rev. A. G. Campbell journeyed to Arpan Friday to officiate at a very pretty wedding which took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Whitlock. The contracting parties were Mr. Archie Teague and Miss Versa Whitlock. Both these young people are surrounded by a host of friends with whom the irrigator joins in wishing the happy couple a long and happy wedded life.

April 2, 1925

Three immigrant cars have arrived at Newell during the past week. Two of the arrivals, we understand, were former residents of this territory and are now well satisfied that they are returning to a good country for good.

Engineer Ray DeLane, who will be remembered as a former resident here, is handling the throttle on the afternoon train under the new schedule on the Newell Line.

The Newell Golf Club is taking on a new life and now counts some 30 active members, that is playing members. Speaking from an avoirdupois point of view, fellows like Devereaux, Barrett, and John Scott will be in better shape to

become active members after they have played a few hundred rounds.

The teacher and pupils of the Plainview School were very much shocked Monday morning when they found that their phonograph and records had been stolen. The thief pried open a window to enter the building. Everyone in the community put forth great deal of effort in earning money with which to buy the instrument and it is hoped that the lawless creatures who took it will realize that they have done a great injustice to a group of children and a whole community and will have the decency enough to return the phonograph and



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records immediately.

April 4, 1935

More neon signs are making appearance in Newell. Until recently only the beer parlors displayed them. This week the Ace Service Station installed one and Snyder's Jewelry Store now has 2 small ones used for window display purposes.

Transients are beginning to make their appearance in Newell. Not the transient workers at the camp northeast of Newell, but the men who are floaters and have no fixed destination. During the past week Mrs. Sanders tells us that several of these men were sent to her for help. Mrs. Sanders asks us to say that she has absolutely no authority to do anything for these men and urges the public to send them to Rapid City, where they can be taken care of in the transient camp located there.

Keith Wood was employed several days last week by the Vale Township Board in grading of the north streets and streets parallel to Main Street. Keith Wood and family have moved to the Calvin Wood farm, where he is assisting with the ranch work. His brother

by Linda Velder

Kenneth is now driving the school bus for him.

April 5, 1945

Add to the scrap pile when you are doing regular spring housecleaning, it takes on added significance this year as the need for salvage grows more acute. A thorough spring house-cleaning is a definite moral booster and one of the best methods of fire prevention. This year it can also mean much-needed additions to the scrap pile, papers, iron, tin cans and old rubber. Even more salvage must come from the farm, trash can be as disastrous as a fire in a factory. A good check-up and clean-up can prevent a fire in your barn.

Three pure-bred Holstein cows were purchased recently by John Bentz of Nisland, from the State School & Home for the Feeble-Minded at Redfield, it was announced this week, in a report from the Holstein-Friesian Association of American Headquarters at Battelboro, Vermont. The new ownership change of Holsteins has been officially recorded by the Association. The cows will keep their official registered pedigree names.

Mildred Reitz, Marie Adams, Marie Edwards, Rosemary Gray and Victor Albrandt will receive the Vale Junior High School penmanship certificate as acknowledgment of the National Board of Examiners at Bridgeport, Illinois, as each having passed the Annual National Diagnostic Achievement Penmanship Test.

April 7, 1955

Employees of Butte Electric Co operative at Newell checked in thoroughly soaked here 2 nights the past week when they were called out to repair outages on BEC lines in the Spearfish and St Onge areas. Both outages were reported about 6:30 PM on Monday and power wasn't restored completely until 11:00 AM Tuesday. Going out from Newell were Manager Doug Eickelman, Don Dahlberg, Gene Whalen and Harry Dumler. They came upon 3 cars stalled in the storm, called by radio for a wrecker which broke down and eventually helped a state motor patrol car out of a drift. Jimmy Glover was called from Newell with a county snowplow Tuesday afternoon to break through some roads in that vicinity. Crow Butte area west of Spearfish was restored about 3:00 PM Tuesday, but the St. Onge area where the men walked up to 3 quarters of a mile, at times in

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waist-deep snow, was finally restored in spurts.

Chip Arthur, Freshman and Tom Brandsberg, Senior both of Belle Fourche High



A program was established after the dust storms of the '30s. The land was leveled and top

School were first and second place winners, respectively, in the Annual Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary sponsored contest in Butte County, it was announced by Dorinne Whiton contest chairman, this week. Anita Richter, daughter of Mrs. Marianna Richter, Newell High School, won third prize, \$5.00. Topic for the contest this year was, "What Civil Defense Means To Me".

Are there any canine centenarians in the area? A dog research organization is most anxious to know of them and has asked the co-operation of the Valley Irrigator in locating them. They are being sought in connection with a projected scientific study that may mean much to the greater well-being of dogs and perhaps also of humans. To qualify as a "Canine Centenarian" a dog must be at least 17 years of age, because 17 years in the life of a dog is believed to be roughly equivalent to 100 years in a human.

April 1, 1965

Mrs. Arne Lund and Mrs. R. D. Long drove to Spearfish

Sunday to hear the "Messiah" presented at Black Hills Teachers College. They also visited with Bill Long. He had just returned from attending the High School All-State Band with the Spearfish Band instructor and Spearfish All-State Band students at Sioux Falls. Bill is a student teacher in the Lead School where he teaches band.

The fox is not the only little red animal catching heck in South Dakota. Another animal, the fox squirrel, has been tagged as the culprit responsible for the girding of hundreds of trees in windbreaks and shelter belts in South Dakota according to Roland Harnes, District Forester. Up to 90% of the elms in many tree belts had their terminal buds eaten off, causing stunted height growth and increased susceptibility to insects, disease and rot. Although nuts are the staple ration of squirrels, a lack of nut bearing trees is causing the animals to feed on other woody vegetation. To obtain minerals, squirrels gnaw on bones, deer antlers, turtle shells and have been spotted chewing on telephone cables. For salt and minerals, squirrels will supply by bark stripping in late winter which is caused by this "hidden danger". Locals are encouraged to be observant, vigilant and report findings.

A special meeting is set on the conversation of the U&I Sugar Plant facilities near Belle Fourche, to a new useful rural enterprise will be the subject of the meeting on April 9 at the First National Bank Corral Room. Attending the meeting will be Oscar Zelter, field representative of Rural Area Development Administration (RAD) in Washington, D C. RAD was established to provide assistance and feasibility studies in the building of a new local industry. Zelter's role at this meeting will be important and helpful. Among possibilities being discussed would be the conversion of the facilities to a "kill & chill" beef or lamb plant. The irrigated acres could be converted to alfalfa and feed grains for fat cattle and hog production, thus could supply an economic replacement within the county.

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Open House

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Good Friday

April 18

Easter

April 20

STEM

April 10, 5-7 p.m., Newell MPR, Supper served

Mondays

Monday Night Bingo at the NVN Senior Center 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Holy Thursday Community Potluck

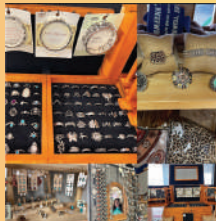
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Ready to Grow

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NEWELL-The weather is hinting at garden time and the Newell Ag students are preparing for a summer of fresh deliciousness. The four students taking charge of the project are Conner Kelly, Tala Millage, Sorley Franklin, and Rowdy Franklin. They are pooling their knowledge in soil science and plant science to produce a bumper crop to share with the community and to supply the school kitchen with fresh produce.

The seeds of peas, tomatoes, lettuce, and watermelon are

barely getting started but show promise under the grow lights and careful attention of the students. Following the State FFA Convention, full attention will be given to the young plants.

The prospective plot is planned by the old "chicken coop" or area where concessions used to be sold many years ago. The 10 x 30-foot area has been tested and deemed suitable to grow a garden, according to Rowdy Franklin. A core sample was taken showing that the gumbo area should work well after it is amended.

Franklin said that the drainage is good at that area,

also. Sorley added that with the irrigation available and with rain runoff, the garden should be easy to keep watered.

A local student will take care of the garden in the summer as part of an SAE project.

The produce will be sold at the local farmers' market and then the extra will be donated to the school kitchen in the fall. There are plans for raised beds, also. The community is welcome to check out the garden anytime in the summer.

The garden area will begin to take shape around the first of May. Watch for these industrious young people to learn of wonders and joys of gardening!



These four ag students are beginning a new project with a community garden. They are Tala Millage, Sorley Franklin, Rowdy Franklin, and Conner Kenny.

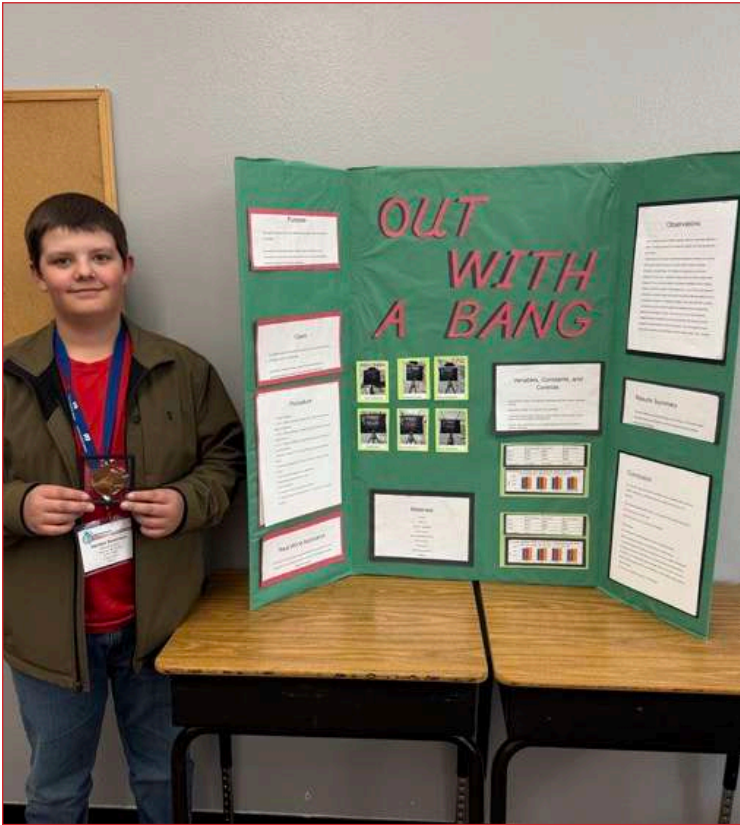
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APRIL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
March 31) Egg Omelet, Cereal, FF, Juice, Milk Pork Tacos, Refried Beans, Fruit, Milk	1) Yogurt Parfait, Cereal, FF, Juice, Milk Italian Ham Wrap, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Fruit, Milk	2) Cinnamon Oat Breakfast Bar, Cereal, FF, Juice, Milk Pizza, Corn, Fruit, Milk	3) Breakfast Egg Roll, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Scalloped Potatoes, Broccoli, Fruit, Milk	4) NO SCHOOL
7) Long Johns, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Corn Dogs, Mixed Veggies, Fruit, Milk	8) Yogurt Parfait, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Chicken Nuggets, Beets, Fruit, Milk	9) French Toast Sticks, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Meatball Subs, Mixed Veggies, Fruit, Milk Broccoli Cheese Soup	10) Croissant Sandwichs, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Spaghetti and Meatballs, Bread Sticks, Milk	11) NO SCHOOL
14) Pancake Wraps, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk Pigs in a Blanket, Vegetarian Beans, Fruit, Milk	15) Breakfast Quiche Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Teriyaki BBQ Shredded Pork Sandwich with Asian Slaw, Fruit, Milk	16) Breakfast Burrito, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Walking Tacos, Corn, Fruit, Milk	17) Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Chicken Strips, Corn, Fruit, Milk	18) NO SCHOOL
21) NO SCHOOL	22) Breakfast Burrito, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Sub Sandwich, Chips, Fruit, Milk	23) Oatmeal Muffin Squares, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Chicken Nachos, Corn, Fruit, Milk	24) Egg Omelet, Cereal, Juice, FF, Milk Chicken Gyro with Tzatziki Sauce, Carrot or Broccoli Salad, Fruit, Milk	25) NO SCHOOL
28) Cook's Choice Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Veggies, Fruit, Milk	29) Cook's Choice Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Fruit, Milk	30) Cook's Choice Tater Tot Casserole, Fruit, Milk		

Menu is subject to change!

Newell Science Fair Winners



Twelve blue ribbon winners at the local Newell School Science Fair competed at the High Plains Regional Science and Engineering Fair at SDSM&T today. They had a great time and we even brought home some hard earned medals. Vandyn Severson placed 5th in the 6th grade physical science category. Kyle Kentsler placed 5th in the 7th grade physical science category. Lucille Ahart placed 3rd in the 7th grade physical science category. It takes a lot of hard work to get to compete there. I am so proud of all our students and how they represented themselves and their families in public. They are amazing. Courtesy Photo



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STEM Night at School

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There will be a fascinating night at the Newell School April 10 from 5-7 p.m. as students show their skills in a myriad of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) projects.

Mr. Fiedler's robotics class will be there with some interesting ideas demonstrating the talents of his students.

The SDM&T has several things that will be of interest including the Baja Race Team with their car, the Departments

of Geology, Geological Engineering, Mining Engineering, and the Weather Club.

Outdoor Campus will have a display of pelts and skulls to test your identification skills.

John Dixon will have a treat with liquid nitrogen ice cream.

And the Newell FFA will serve ice cream in a bag and show how to plant seeds.

Supper will be served, so come hungry and see what the students have to display. The STEM program is sponsored by Newell Title Program.

STEM

More Prom Photos



Above: Sarah Erk and Kingston Wulf. Guys gotta have a bit of fun! Photos by Betty Bruner

The Ushers for the Newell Prom were Nevada, Jesse, Liam, and Alex. Flint is pictured at the left. Courtesy Photos