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## New Commissioner Ready to Go

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BELLE FOURCHE—The newest member of the Butte County Commission will take his seat Tuesday, July 2.

Terry Batterman was elected by one vote in his run against Sue Broadhurst.

Who is Batterman?

He is a husband, father, and grandfather with a background working with Northwestern Bell (now known as Lumen), where he still works.

Born in 1954 in Parkston, SD, Batterman attended Dakota State College from 1973-1977 pursuing a teaching career in teaching secondary education with a Major in Physical Education, Minor in Business Administration, and a Minor in Biology.

After working for a time for Northwestern Bell in Belle Fourche migrating rural lines from eight party lines to private

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## Full House at Roundup Grounds Ranch Rodeo



A crowd of Rodeo fans were on hand Sunday night for the Black Hills Roundup's Ranch Rodeo. Shown here with hands over hearts for the National Anthem during opening ceremonies at the Roundup grounds. *Hunter Anderson Photo*

## Fred Lamphere and Sheriff's Department Honored as Parade Grand Marshals

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BELLE FOURCHE—The Butte County Sheriff's Department, headed by longtime Sheriff Fred Lamphere, will serve as Grand Marshals for the Black Hills Roundup Parade this year.

This beloved Fourth of July celebration has been a part of Belle Fourche's history for more than a hundred years, and the Grand Marshals are a special title whose role is to lead the parade's procession through town.

The department staff is comprised of eight full-time dispatchers, a chief deputy, four patrol deputies, a transport/civil deputy, a civil deputy, a secretary deputy, and two 24/7 technicians. There are also six to eight active and starring reserve deputies. "It's a huge honor. Very unique to be recognized as a working agency and including the staff," said Lamphere. "It personifies how we work. It's not just me; it's everyone that makes it work."

The staff is reportedly very excited to be part of the parade as marshals; in fact, dispatch was already talking about doing something in the parade when they received the invitation from the Roundup Parade Committee. "It was perfect timing," said Lamphere. "They do a lot behind the scenes; they're the ones who stay back and make everyone work well. Including them was neat." Lamphere has been involved with the Black Hills Roundup since he first began working in law enforcement in 1990. His experi-

ence as a law enforcement officer of Butte County for 34 years has allowed him to work closely within the community and form relationships with organizations like the Roundup that support the local area and help the county prosper.

"I am appreciative of my staff and all the things that bring everybody together and work well. To be recognized for that and be the parade marshal is an awesome feeling."

It shows the community recognizing people. Everyone is doing their part," said Lamphere.

Lamphere emphasized the significance of the Roundup Parade. It's one of the largest parades in the state of South Dakota; thousands of people, both local and international, come to experience it every year.

The event has even drawn the state's governors and congress-people over the years. "A lot of politicians have made an effort, just because it draws so many people," he explained. "It's a very significant part of the Fourth of July. Very American."

The parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. on July 4 and is free to attend. Bring a chair and find a spot along the route, which begins at the intersection of National Street and Thirteenth Ave. and continues for two miles before stopping at the intersection of Eighth Ave. and National Street. Enjoy the fun parade floats, decorated according to the "Throwback Thursday" theme, and don't be late—the celebration will kick off with a B-1 bomber flyover!

## Black Hills Roundup Celebration Underway

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BELLE FOURCHE—The 105th Black Hills Roundup 4th of July Celebration is underway! The action packed salute to Independence Day includes PRCA rodeos, fireworks, music concerts, carnival rides and parade floats. The celebration relies on the community's help. According to Dallas Conner, Chairman of the Black Hills Roundup Board, "There are over 400 volunteers this year." The July 3rd PRCA rodeo kicks off at 7 p.m. at the Roundup arena. The theme is Tough Enough to Wear Pink, so make sure to put on your favorite shade of pink to support cancer awareness. The Black Hills Roundup rodeo attracts some of the country's top ranked cowboys and cowgirls.

"This year, there are a lot of NFR-qualifying rough stock riders that are coming here for the first time," said Conner.

## Carnival runs from July 3 to July 7

Professional rodeo athletes, human and equine, travel all throughout the country to earn money during July 4th season, referred to as "Cowboy Christmas." Belle Fourche is one of the top stops on the Cowboy Christmas trek across the country. Conner explained that during COVID lockdowns,

many rodeos in the country were shut down. This brought professional rodeo contestants to the Black Hills Roundup rodeo for the first time. "Contestant numbers went up during COVID, but they have stayed up," she said. It is an exceptional, award-winning rodeo and has been named the PRCA

**Roundup** A3



Our nation's Flag makes a trip around the arena, as the crowd stands at attention to open the 2023 Black Hills Roundup Rodeo. *JodieB Photography by Jodie Baxendale*

## Butte County Bank Robbery Reenactment



**All Star Cast takes a bow.**

Belle Fourche Walking History's 3rd Annual "Butte County Bank Robbery", was another successful event. Belle Fourche Walking History featured gunslingers, robbers, storekeepers, horsemen, ministers, sheriff, bankers and townsmen. Thank you to the cast and crew: **Dawn Newland, Vern & Laurie Ward, Wilbur Newland, Michelle Evans, Kyle Persche, Blade & Alex Hansen, Michaela Horn, David & Audrey Pruitt, Clark Odonnell, Jack Scholl, Larry Schmaltz, Nick Fayville, Annette Mackaben, Brady Undertaker, Sloan & Laura Young Justin & Destine Mowery.** We hope to see you next year same place, same story, new memories! Monday, June 30th, 2025. *mE Photo*

## Black Hills Roundup Rodeo Royalty Going the Extra Mile

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BELLE FOURCHE—The pageantry and beauty of rodeo was on full display at the Miss Black Hills Roundup contest June 29, as seven young ladies competed for rodeo royalty. A full day of events started early in the morning with a photogenic shoot, followed by breakfast.

The public sees a glamorous queen, greeting the crowd or carrying a flag, but what they don't know is the hard work that goes into being selected to represent the rodeo. It's actually a grueling day of interviews, modeling, speeches and horsemanship. "These girls go the extra mile to represent rodeo," said Raye Brown, Black Hills Roundup Queen Coordinator. Queening is a "high demand

job, promoting rodeo all day long with a smile on your face," said Brown. "Typically queens are the first ones at the rodeo, and last one to leave," she said.

As the competition begins,

each contestant takes center stage, introduces herself, shows off her personal style and then answers a knowledge question. The knowledge question tests rodeo term knowledge. After

**Royalty** contd. A6



Contestants in the 7th Annual Miss Black Hills Roundup Contest. Back row from left: **Avery Geffre, Atty Eastman, Kinley Olson, Sadie Sonn,** front row from left: **Addison Brownell, Lainey Matt and Morgan McGuckin.** *Longbrake photo*



Butte County Sheriff **Fred Lamphere** (center with cowboy hat) with fellow Sheriff's officers and office staff. The **Sheriff's Department** was named 2024 Belle Fourche Round parade Marshalls. *Betty Bruner Photo*

## Carnival Starts Today!

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BELLE FOURCHE—The streets of downtown Belle Fourche will once again be lit up by the neon lights of carnival rides and the smell of funnel cakes, a Fourth of July weekend community favorite.

The carnival runs from July 3 to July 7 this year. Wristbands are available for \$30 to access all rides for a full day; individual tickets per ride can also be bought at the ticket booths. Traveling carnival company

North Star Amusements provides the rides and concessions for the city event.

North Star Amusements is based in Bridger, Montana.

Since 1983, they have traveled throughout Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota to bring amusement park fun to people all over the northern Midwest.

Types of rides range from intense thrill rides like the "Kamikaze" to child-friendly classics like the Merry Go Round. Have fun at the carnival!



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**Chester (Chet) Edwin Garness 6**

Chester (Chet) Edwin Garness passed away at the age of 86 on June 28th, 2024, at home due to complications of cancer. Chet was born to Edwin and Selma Garness on August 11, 1937, in Newell, SD. One of four children, Chet spent his youth helping out on the farm, attending country schools, and graduating from Newell High School in May 1995. He went on to college at Augustana in Sioux Falls, earning a degree in Business Education. He followed up with many additions to his degree from several colleges in Minnesota. Chet went on to teach in Dufur, OR; Roscoe, SD; Peever, SD; Browns Valley, MN and spent the last 32 years before retirement at Chisago Lakes Area Schools in Chisago City/Lindstrom, MN.

In 1964, Chet married his wife Barbara (Nielsen) Garness at the Peever Lutheran Church. They have been blessed with almost 60 years of marriage. They have also been blessed and survived by 2 children: Jack E (Brenda) Garness of Crooks, SD and Lisa M (Jim) Haaf of Stafford, VA. They have 5 grandchildren: Dustin (Hazel) Garness of Hartford, SD; Cassandra (Jerry) Garness of Alcester, SD; Samantha (Austin) Van Asselt, of Hartford, SD; Aaron (Fiancé, Abby) Haaf (Marine Corps); and Andrew Haaf. They also have 2 great grandchildren: Keanu Morelos (Cassie and Jerry) and a baby on the way for Sami and Austin. Chet is also survived by his sister Mary Caswell of Thornton, CO, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by both parents, his brother Raymond and his sister Elsie.

In 1961, Chet joined the National Guard where he served



2 months at Fort Leonard Wood, MO and 4 months at Fort Sill for Artillery School. He served in the guards until February 1968 as a Sergeant 1st Class. In his later years, Chet loved to travel with family and friends. He especially enjoyed adventures with their camping crew, The Minnesota Loonies. They traveled all over the United States and Canada. The farmer in him loved gardening and taking care of his lawn. One of the many joys in his life was seeing his children be successful and the 100's of students he taught over the years succeed and visit with him. Jack and Lisa gave their dad, Chet, golf clubs for retirement which he and Barb both enjoyed.

Before retirement, Chet took over Finance and Treasurer at Zion Lutheran Church. In 1988, Chet took over Treasurer and Keeper of the 3 cemeteries and eventually took over maintenance of two cemeteries along with John Hawkinson. He was scheduled to retire from the cemetery this past Memorial Day even before he knew of his health problems.

We want to thank all for their prayers and visits over this stressful time. We are asking for memorials to be directed to Zion Endowment Fund for school scholarships.

Memorial services will be held at the Zion Lutheran Church in Chisago City, MN as follows:

- Visitation on Friday, July 5th from 4-7 pm in the dining hall
- Service on Saturday, July 6th at 11 am with visitation preceding at 10 am

**Oscar Arispe Gonzales 62**

Oscar Arispe Gonzales, 62, of Belle Fourche died at his home from complications of diabetes on September 21, 2023.


A Celebration of Life Service will be held Saturday, July 6 at 11:00 am at Kline Funeral Chapel in Belle Fourche with burial to follow at Pine Slope Cemetery in Belle Fourche. Please wear bright colors, no black, let this be casual. There will be a gathering following the burial at the Branding Iron from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm for all who would like to join.



The family suggests memorials to the Diabetes Association and the National Kidney Fund. Memorials can be mailed to Lynda Gonzales, 7658 Gray Way, Arvada, CO 80003.

The funeral will be livestreamed and can be viewed on Oscar's obituary page at klinefuneralchapel.com

An online guest book and video tribute is available at klinefuneral-



**Pastor's Perspective**

*This Another Perspective is from the archives of Foursquare Pastor, the late Dr. Jack Hayford*

**"A Call To Turn God's Way"**

*The path of the righteous is like the morning sun, shining ever brighter till the full light of day. - Proverbs 4:18*

God calls us to capture His possibilities for each season of our lives. Reject the world's thinking about age. With age comes increase, significance and substance. In most parts of the world, age is revered and esteemed, unlike it is generally viewed in contemporary North American culture. As years accumulate, people who submit to the world's mindset, submit to the pressures of a culture idolizing youth. The course of change and age impacts everyone's life sooner or later. With change, some people's world comes apart, and they begin to lose their sense of value and self-worth. But with each season of our lives, God desires to sharpen our focus if we will answer His call to turn to whatever it is He is doing right now.

**Six Ways to Turn God's way**

- 1. TURN** with a compass' precision, which can provide a course adjustment or a refinement of direction. *I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with my eye (Psalm 32:8).* You are led by God's eye, as you come into His presence and look into His face. There are things He has planned for you, which you will either hit or miss, depending on the accuracy of direction in your life. The significance of staying on target can mean the difference in making it to the next stage of God's purpose for your life, or becoming lost wandering around in your own wisdom.
- 2. TURN** to a new page in a journal, providing space for what is to be written now. *"Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this" (Revelation 1:19).* If you do not write things on God's terms, you will wind up writing them on your own terms, and they become meaningless. Let God interpret each "new page" in your life with His purpose. "His mercies are new every morning." He gives us time and years for a purpose, not just to get old.
- 3. TURN** with the accuracy of a clock's movement. Every season of our life brings us to another time



zone. You decide whether you are going to let the Lord work in the time zone of your life now, or if you are going to pretend you're living in another time. I've seen mature people lose touch with where they are (or should be) in the years of their life, and younger people, in their twenties and thirties, living as if they are still in junior high school! They're not functioning in maturity. They're not tuned to their time of life. *"Do not remember the former things... Behold, I will do a new thing" (Isaiah 43:18, 19).* The Lord has a new thing for you now, in this season and age of your life.

**4. TURN** and alter your stance to see the vision of a broader panorama. *"Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields..." (John 4:35).* Your stance determines how broad your vision is. You can think you see it all, but if you open to God's stance, you really will see it all.

**5. TURN** with a focusing device, like a microscope or a telescope, to see what you would otherwise not be able to see. *Open my eyes that I may see great and wondrous things from Your law (Psalm 119:18).* Let Jesus keep sharpening your vision! The Lord wants to refine our vision, so we no longer see what inconveniences us about people and see their needs, hurts and concerns, instead. If you don't want to wind up old and cranky, tune in to God's vision, instead of your own self-centeredness.

**6. TURN** as a thermostat does to increase room temperature. *"He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11)* Have passion in your soul for God, for Jesus Christ and for the ultimate significance of what life is. "I will vomit you out of My mouth" (Revelation 3:16). Maintain the Holy Spirit's fire and fullness as you grow older. The "call to turn God's way" means to adjust to whatever the Lord is doing right now and trust in His faithfulness..

**Bible Verses on Freedom**

*"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery (Galatians 5:1).  
Jesus sets us free so that we can remain free.*

*In the book of Galatians, the apostle Paul was addressing a church that was struggling with a heavy yoke of religion. Paul encourages the Galatian church to remember why they received Christ in the first place-to be free from the "law of sin and death" (Romans 8:2).*

*You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love (Galatians 5:13).  
Paul goes on to explain that freedom is not an excuse to sin. Instead, it's a responsibility that should be used to serve others.*

*But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life (Romans 6:22).*

*Paul again emphasizes the fact that freedom in Christ isn't license to sin. In fact, the ultimate product of freedom is holiness and eternal life.*

**Isaiah 43:1-2**

*"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze."*

## Poll: Most South Dakota voters oppose recreational marijuana measure

**Stu Whitney**  
SD News Watch

The rate of opposition is consistent with a similar measure's defeat in the 2022 election. But the level of support has dropped. Most South Dakotans oppose the latest attempt to legalize recreational marijuana in the state, according to a scientific poll of 500 registered voters co-sponsored by South Dakota News Watch. The statewide survey, also sponsored by the Chiesman Center for Democracy at the University of South Dakota, showed that 52% of respondents are against Initiated Measure 29, compared to 42% who support it and 7% who are undecided.

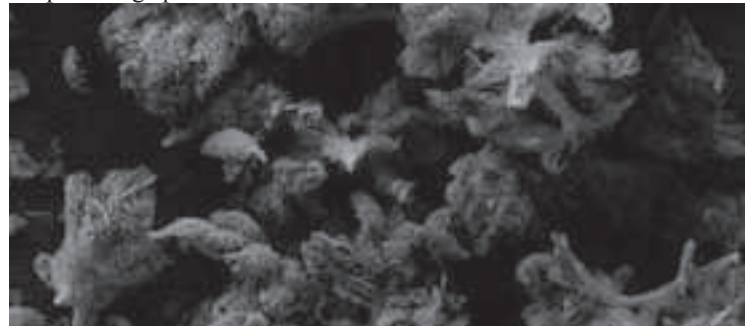
The rate of opposition is consistent with a similar measure's defeat in the 2022 election, when South Dakotans voted against legalizing recreational marijuana by a margin of 52% to 47%.

### GOP, Catholic leaders oppose measure

In a Pew Research Center poll conducted in January, 57% of Americans said that marijuana should be legal for medical and recreational purposes, while roughly a third (32%) said that marijuana should be legal for medical use only.

But a 2022 News Watch/Mason-Dixon poll of South Dakota voters found that 54% opposed the measure to legalize recreational pot. That poll number was 2 points off the final election tally (52%) as the measure was defeated that year.

Mason-Dixon Polling and Strategy conducted the 2024 survey on May 10-13. Those interviewed were selected randomly from a telephone-matched state voter registration list that included both landline and cellphone numbers. Quotas were assigned to reflect voter registration by county. The margin of error is plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.



A poll co-sponsored by South Dakota News Watch showed that statewide support of marijuana legalization has dropped, creating a sizable deficit at a critical time when ballot measure committees are raising money and building strategies for the 2024 election. (Photo: Wesley Gibbs/ Unsplash)

Initiated Measure 29 would allow people 21 and older to "possess, grow, ingest, and distribute marijuana or marijuana paraphernalia." Possession would be allowed up to 2 ounces in a form other than marijuana concentrate or other marijuana products.

The poll showed that the measure is opposed by nearly 7 in 10 Republicans (68%) in the state, compared to 24% of Democrats and 45% of non-affiliated voters.

The South Dakota Republican Party, at its 2024 convention June 6-8 in Pierre, passed a resolution that urged "all party members and Republican organizations to lend whatever practical support they can to assist in the campaign to defeat Initiated Measure 29."

In a joint statement released June 6, the bishops of South Dakota's two Catholic dioceses also formalized their opposition to the measure, saying that marijuana "contributes to a host of problems that weaken the social fabric of society."

### South Dakotans 'fiercely protective'

Recreational marijuana is legal in 23 states and the District of Columbia, with supporters pointing to economic advantages to the state economy from tax revenue. States collected nearly \$3 billion in marijuana revenues in 2022, according to the Tax Foundation.

Opponents cite potential social costs and health risks such as a higher risk of cardiovascular problems from marijuana use, as outlined in a recent study in the Journal of the American Heart Association.

Protecting South Dakota Kids, a campaign committee formed to fight recreational pot legalization in 2022, will actively oppose the effort again in 2024, said Rhonda Milstead, a former Republican state legislator who serves as the group's executive director.

## Roots Grow Deep and Strong # 10

*Celebrating the Feast of St. Eloi of the Mules*

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Belle Fourche is my favorite place to be in July. Southern France, where I am spending the summer is nice, but I miss the Belle Fourche 4th of July ambience, the sights, sounds and smells. I miss cotton candy, country music, fresh hay, horses, cowboy boots, rodeo events and all the pageantry. I miss the parade, the carnival, the magnificent fireworks, and the opportunity to catch up with visitors, friends, neighbors and especially kids I taught in Newell.

In France, there are plenty of celebrations that involve singing, dancing, parades, fireworks, and even bonfires, but it's not quite the same as being in Belle Fourche.

Here in Southern France, the annual 'fete of St. Eloi' is a good example of a French regional celebration that made me feel a little more at home. 'Fete' means celebration. 'St. Eloi' is a real saint born around 650 A.D. known for metal craftsmanship, honesty, and charitable works. Saints are kind of a big thing here.

Anyway, the 'Fete of St. Eloi' is celebrated in Catalonia sometime around the summer solstice, June 21. Catalonia is a region that included a part of Spain and a part of Southern France. It comprises a large area, 12,399 miles and has a population of 8,005,784. People in Catalonia have a rich culture, and a unique language. Those who claim Catalanian heritage appear to be very serious about keeping their

traditions and culture.

Many Catalonians want independence from Spain and France and want to form their own government. So far that has not worked out. Catalonia has never been a country on its own. The Catalanian resolve for independence has gone on for several generations and has resulted in some contentious skirmishes.

Back to the 'fete of St. Eloi' The event begins with a parade on a Saturday morning. The entourage led by donkeys begins the parade. Each donkey is adorned in Catalan regalia, yellow and red pompoms attached to their harnesses, heralded with long sashes of red and yellow. These are the colors of the Catalan flag. The red symbolizes blood and the yellow the battlefield.

The donkeys are led by men in Catalan traditional costume and on each donkey is a child or young adult also in traditional costume.



A well-behaved and well-dressed donkey with a young rider in the annual 'Fete of St. Eloi' parade.

### Roundup from A1

PRCA Medium Sized Rodeo of the Year many times.

The Black Hills Roundup is welcoming Championship Pro Rodeo, one of the elite rodeo producers in the Great Lakes Circuit, to the area for the first time. "We are excited to have them on board, it's going to be a great rodeo," said Conner. Their superb award-winning stock has been featured far and wide from coast to coast as well as 14 animals selected in 2023 to the super bowl of rodeo—the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo.

Board member Scott Reder said, "the openings to the rodeos are set to be spectacular with Dana Bowman, National

Guard, airplanes, and perhaps helicopters." Opening every rodeo performance will be Sergeant First Class (Ret.) Dana Bowman. His elite parachuting skills will bring him right into the arena after a leap from high in the sky.

During rodeo intermissions, exciting speciality acts will entertain the crowd. Cowboy Keny Bartram and Steel Rodeo bring high flying action packed freestyle motocross riders that set up ramps and perform risky maneuvers right in the arena.

Another highly anticipated act is the Misfit Cowboy, Brian Patton. He rides his bridled Brahman bull named Django and performs tricks and shoots Colt 45's to keep the crowd

engaged.

Following the rodeo on the 3rd will be the area's largest fireworks display. Pyrotechnics are provided by Fritz Carlson. Rodeo-goers can stay right in their seats to watch the show, others can enjoy the show from most any place in the community. For those wanting to celebrate more, a dance will follow right at the Roundup arena.

If you can't make it to that performance, the final PRCA rodeo, with all the same speciality acts and entertainment, will happen at 3 p.m. on July 4 at the Roundup arena. The theme for this round is Military and First Responders Appreciation.

## Recount Proves Vote 100 percent Accurate

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BELLE FOURCHE- There were two Primary Races recounted in Butte County, District 4 County Commissioner and Precinct 13 Committeewoman. In the District 4 race Terry Batterman kept his one vote lead over Sue Broadhurst, while Kathryn Rhoden won by two votes over her opponent Lori Deighton.

The Recount Board was appointed by Judge Day who also set the day of the recount. County Auditor Annie Capp was there to assist with the ballots.

Ballots were run through the ballot machines with results matching the original count 100%. The

Recount Board then decided to hand count both races. Again, all numbers matched and were 100% accurate.

Terry Batterman will take his commission seat at the first regular meeting of the Butte County Commission July 2 due to a new vacancy of Stan Harms' place. Harms resigned his position following the June meeting and has moved on.

Batterman said that he "was ready" and eager to begin serving the people of Butte County. "Let's do it!" he said.

When asked what he thought of the recount and the close vote, Batterman said that the low turnout was upsetting and encouraged

everyone to vote. This is an example that every vote counts he pointed out.

With no specific agenda, Batterman said that the top item is to be honest and look at every angle. He intends to listen, observe, and then decide. He will keep an open mind, but not a "yes man".

Going in, Batterman plans to keep the interests of the county at the forefront and will work for every part of the county. The first order of business is the budget as the commissioners look to solving the needs of county residents. He has had "lots" of time and experience solving problems.

## July 4th Parade "Throwback Thursday

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BELLE FOURCHE—Throwback Thursday is the theme for this year's 4th of July Parade. (route map is on page C4.) The event kicks off with a B1 Bomber flyover at 10:30 am on July 4.

"So far over 50 entries have been received online," according to Tessa Eaton, Parade Chairman. Expect floats decked out in red, white and blue, marching bands, cowboys and cowgirls on horseback, rodeo queens and many others celebrating our American

independence.

Curt Westland, Bryton Oedekoven, Jim Kallas and Jack Verry are the parade announcers.

Parade judges are Ashley Pearson and Emily Olson.

Some of the parade awards to be handed out are the McClure Ranch Memorial Award of \$100 to best depiction of this year's parade theme, the Faye Kennedy Memorial Grand Marshal Award of \$100 for the most patriotic entry, and the Eva Hanify Rail Memorial Award of \$100 for the best representation of our western heritage.

### Batterman from A1

services in the Nisland, Newell, and Vale areas, he moved to Chamberlain, SD.

He and his wife, Linette, have two children and four grandchildren.

In 1991, Batterman returned to the Belle Fourche area where he has lived at the same residence since.

Batterman has been an active part of the community, serving young and more mature members.

He has participated in helping with 4-H rodeos, been part of the Belle Fourche Planning and Zoning Board, and is currently

serving on the city Airport Board. For eight years he assisted in the Belle Fourche Roundup Parade line up.

As an employee of Lumen, Batterman's duties include working as one of three in the state of South Dakota which supports the installation of and maintenance of 30-911 Centers.

He is looking forward to serving Butte County as a County Commissioner.

"The big thing is Butte County still stands for ranching and rural life.

As I look at what's happening around the world, this is a great place to live and have my children and grandchildren with myself and Linette," he said.

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The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center will hold a free class for kids in rising K through 2nd grade on Saturday, July 13th from 10 a.m. to noon.

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There will be a film or presentation, a book drawing and snacks provided both during the class and

to take home afterward.

Pre-registration is required by the day before the class: please call 605-723-1200. The class will be taught by Programs and Events Assistant Shane McGraw.

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The class is called "Pirates!" and will explore the culture of pirating over the centuries in different parts of the world.

Students will also learn about navigational instru-

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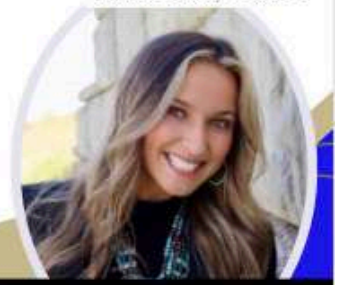
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## High School Rodeo Competitors Qualify for Nationals

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Belle Fourche—Area high school students competed at the 75th Annual South Dakota High School Rodeo Finals in Fort Pierre, SD from June 11 to 15. The top four finishers in each event will represent South Dakota at the 2024 National High School Finals Rodeo from July 14 to 20 in Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Seven local students emerged victorious. An impressive three individual state champion titles and three reserve state champion titles were brought home to Belle Fourche.

Making the South Dakota National Team from Belle Fourche High School, are Rance Bowden in both tie-down roping and team roping (header), Sern Weishaar, team roping (heeler), Jet Jensen, team roping (heeler), Toarin Humble, saddle bronc, Mataya Ward, goat tying, and Lydia Main, light rifle.

Qualifying from Newell High School is Kimberly Johnson, girls' cutting.

State Champions from the area include Rance Bowden and Sern Weishaar in team roping and Lydia Main in rifle shooting.

Reserve State Champions from the area are Jet Jensen in

team roping, Rance Bowden in tie-down roping, and Malaya Ward in goat tying.

Jet Jensen and his partner also won the state average in team roping and Rance Bowden won the state average in tie-down roping.

Mataya Ward won the fastest time award for her super fast first go, first place run in the goat tying.

This formidable group also secured the State Champion Team title for the second year in a row and the Buster Berry Award for earning the most points in traditional rodeo events.



**Jet Jensen** ropes his way onto the South Dakota National Team heading to Rock Springs, WY. He earned Reserve State Champion in the Team Roping and won the State Finals average title. Photo by 4-C Photography



The team of **Rance Bowden** and **Sern Weishaar** united together to out-roping their competition and win the **State Champion Team Roping title** at the South Dakota High School State Finals. Courtesy Photo



**Lydia Main** out-shoots the competition to win State Champion in Light Rifle at the South Dakota High School Rodeo State Finals. Courtesy Photo

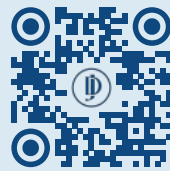

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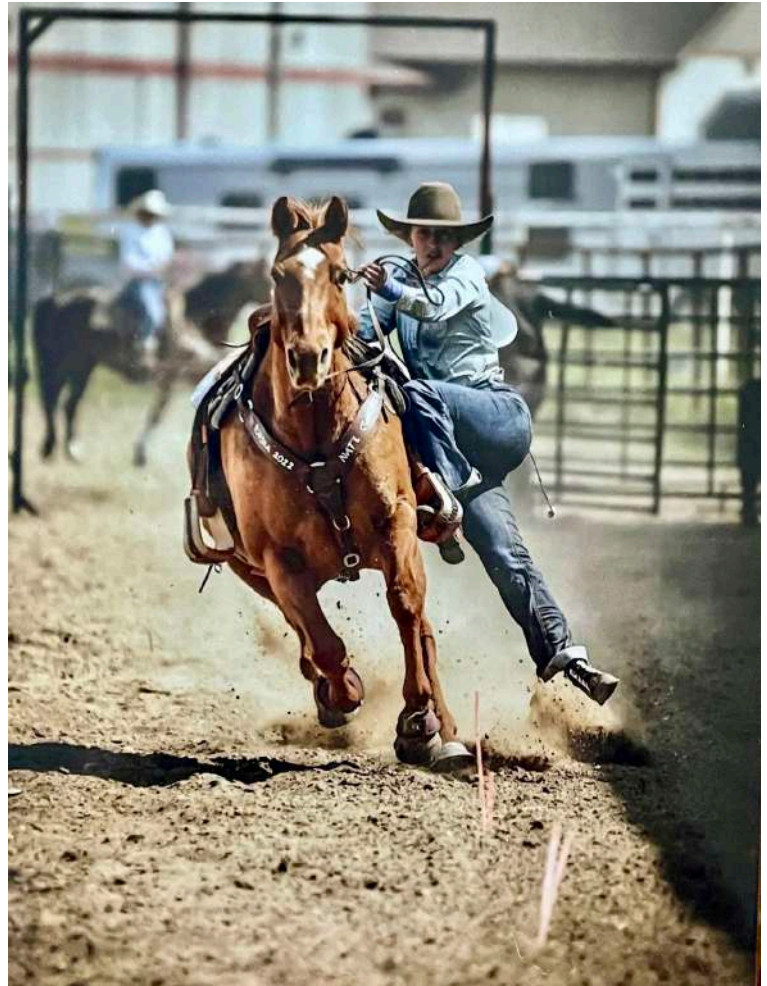
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Stepping off a horse while it is running full speed is part of the goat tying event. **Mataya Ward** does this with ease. She ended up Reserve State Champion in the Goat Tying at the South Dakota High School State Finals. Photo by 4-C Photography



**Toarin Humble** proves he has the skill needed to stay on a bucking horse for 8 seconds. He ended up 4th in the Saddle Bronc at the South Dakota High School Rodeo State Finals. Courtesy Photo

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### Belle Junior High Rodeo Athletes at South Dakota Rodeo State Finals

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As the dust settles on the South Dakota Junior Rodeo State Finals, Belle Fourche's junior high rodeo athletes stand tall, their accomplishments resonating far beyond the arena, inspiring future generations of rodeo enthusiasts.

Belle Fourche's junior high rodeo athletes showcased their talent and grit at the South Dakota Junior Rodeo State Finals, leaving an indelible mark on the competition.

These young contenders proved their mettle, clinching impressive standings across var-

ious events in the short go round. Raina Reder secured a 4th place in the state finals average for goat tying.

Cade Pelster had a remarkable 3rd place finish in the state finals average for team roping and qualified for Nationals in the 3rd place spot.

Cooper Conry had a 1st place finish in the team roping, 3rd place in breakaway, 4th place in ribbon roping and is the Saddle Bronc Steer Riding State Champion

Josh Main showcased exceptional marksmanship, emerging as the State Finals Champion in .22 rifle while Zane Baker placed 3rd in .22 rifle.



Belle Fourche's finest have earned well-deserved spots as National Qualifiers. **Cade Pelster, Josh Main, Zane Baker, and Cooper Conry** are set to represent their school and state admirably at the National Junior High Finals in Des Moines, Iowa in June. Front row left to right: **Jory Olson, Cade Pelster, Caden Swaney.** Back row left to right: **Jaylea Scoggins, Raina Reder, Zane Baker, Kendall Owen, Weston Hiles, Peyton Manke, Cooper Conry, Chloe Crowser, & Josh Main.** Courtesy Photo

### Belle Fourche School District Foundation gives gift to Belle Rec Center-Library-Museum



**Susan Proefrock, Bill O'Dea, Kristi Thielen and Michelle Watson** Courtesy Photo

The Belle Fourche School District Foundation has given a gift of \$1,000 to a summer collaborative effort on behalf of the Belle Fourche Rec Center, Library and Tri-State Museum.

A check for \$1,000 toward supplies needed for the summer collaborative work was provided to Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center director Kristi Thielen. It will be divided between the three city departments.

As the traditional summer programming provided by JAM is not taking place this year, the three department heads created collaborative programming to give kids in the community opportunities for fun and educational activities in June and July.

The monies from the BF School District Foundation will go toward art supplies and cornhole materials at the Rec Center and materials

for a butterfly and bug activities plus other activities at the Library. The museum's share of the award will go toward prizes for the summer classes and "passport" program that community children have entered to show their participation in the collaborative endeavor.

The check provided to Thielen was presented by BFSDF Foundation president, Michelle Watson, board member Bill O'Dea and Susan Proefrock, Belle Fourche School District Business Manager.

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# Show Up

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The Belle Fourche Area Community Theater entertained four enthusiastic audiences with the **Murder on the Orient Express**. Check out the review in this week's paper and the photos we collected from the performances!

**Just added to our Calendar: Check out the list of Belle Fourche Arts Council Concerts in the Park!** Then grab your lawn chair and enjoy listening to some wonderful music in beautiful Hermann Park. Admission is as free as summer sunshine, and ice cream is available for a donation. If it rains, the concert will be held at the Rec Center.

**Get your reservation for the First Saturday Brunch in August: Spokane Townsite - Ghost Towns and Ghosts** on Saturday, August 3rd from 10:00 – 11:30 AM. Archaeologist Janie Knutson will present on the Spokane Townsite and nearby mines; the importance of maintaining cultural artifacts - and a murder mystery from the area. Brunch is at 10 AM, \$5 per person or free with membership; presentation at 10:30 is free to all. Reservations required so call 605-723-1200. Please call to cancel if you cannot keep your reservation as there is always a waiting list.

**Mark your calendar for these upcoming fine arts events:**

- July 4, Wilt Brothers @ HOMETOWN THURSDAY, Center of the Nation park, 6-9 PM;**
- July 10, CON Summer Concert: Badger Horse Band at Herrmann Park, 7 PM**
- July 11, Rathco @ HOMETOWN THURSDAY, Center of the Nation park, 6-9 PM;**
- July 17, CON Concert Summer Concert: Delaney Johnston at Herrmann Park, 7 PM**
- July 18, Revolver @ HOMETOWN THURSDAY, Center of the Nation park, 6-9 PM**
- July 24, CON Concert Summer Concert: Northern Hills Band at Herrmann Park, 7 PM**
- July 25, Camp Comfort @ HOMETOWN THURSDAY, Center of the Nation park, 6-9 PM**
- July 31, CON Concert Summer Concert: Green Dolphin at Herrmann Park, 7 PM**
- August 1, Drive by Night @ HOMETOWN THURSDAY, Center of the Nation park, 6-9 PM**
- August 8, Dakota Country @ HOMETOWN THURSDAY, Center of the Nation park, 6-9 PM**
- August 3, Spokane Townsite - Ghost Towns and Ghosts" with archeologist Janie Knutson, First Saturday Brunch, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, Tri-State Museum, call to reserve.**
- August 16 & 17: BFACT presents: The Live Radio Play: Sherlock Holmes & the West End Horror.**
- October 10: BFACT presents: the 3rd Annual Getting Our Acts Together: A Night of Northern Hills One-Acts.**
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Maybe YOU know what SHOW is UP next? Share your fine arts tidbits and upcoming events at [bellelavenue@gmail.com](mailto:bellelavenue@gmail.com). I especially love the juicy backstage dish and green room gossip! Mark your calendars, friends, so you don't forget to Show Up!

## Fireworks not allowed at Belle Fourche Reservoir

RAPID CITY, S.D. – The public is reminded that possessing, discharging, and using fireworks is strictly prohibited on all Bureau of Reclamation lands and water bodies.

These areas consist of multiple reservoirs, surrounding lands, and campgrounds across the South Dakota. This includes Belle Fourche Reservoir lands, Rocky Point State Recreation Area, Belle Fourche Dam, and lands directly managed by the Bureau of Reclamation.

The permanent reservoir-wide restriction allows for more consistent law enforcement and greatly reduces the risk of fire at the reservoir.

The risk of fires associated with fireworks has been a concern for many years because of the danger to visitors and adjacent landowners. The reservoir's large size

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For more information regarding this restriction or other issues pertaining to Belle Fourche Reservoir, please call: Jay Leasure, Bureau of Reclamation, (605) 519-5504. For questions related to Rocky Point Recreation Area, contact: Brad Nelson, South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks at (605) 641-0023.

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- The theme for this year is Sew it, Grow it, Show it. Colors are Black, Blue, Green
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- Grounds. There will be a bulletin board outside of the fair office
- for additional information and tasks that will need to be completed. Please check that before you start the day of clean-up!
- No animals are allowed to be unloaded from trailers until a Vet
- Check can be done, or you may obtain a vet paper 5 days prior to the Check in date.

It is advised to have vet inspection form printed, filled out and ready to give to the Vet on hand!

• Here is the link to the Fair Book: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V-kYBTpkYIRYgWym-fmsgPKNGCp6XEgB/view?usp=drivesdk>

- Posters are available in our office for distribution.
- Animals that are not to be entered yet but are brought to the fairground will not be allowed to

stay. They must be taken back home or other arrangements made. It is your responsibility to find out the times and review the rules before the fair.

- Fair Entry opened on June 24th and closes on July 19th. Get your entries in as soon as you can, do not wait for the last minute as glitches do happen and we want to assist you!
- Display exhibit tags will be available for pickup on July 24th.
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you may obtain a vet paper 5 days prior to the Check in date. See vet inspection form attached below. It is advised to have this form printed, filled out and ready to give to the Vet on hand!

- Here is the link to the Fair Book: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V-kYBT-pkYIRYYGwymfmsgPKNG-Cp6XEgB/view?usp=drivesdk>
- Posters are available in our office for distribution.
- Animals that are not to be entered yet but are brought to the fairground will not be



allowed to stay. They must be taken back home or other arrangements made. It is your responsibility to

- find out the times and review the rules before the fair.
- Fair Entry opened on June 24th and closes on July 19th. Get your entries in as soon as you can, do not wait for the last minute as glitches do happen and we want to assist you!

Display

- exhibit tags will be available for pickup on July 24th.
- Use the State Fair Book: <https://extension.sdstate.edu/sites/default/files/2024-05/MC-03551-v2.pdf> to assist you with Display Exhibits. You will also find other information on the
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The Butte-Lawrence County Horse Show held on Monday, June 17th was a huge success thanks to participants and the many volunteers who helped. Seventeen 4-H horse members participated in the event at the Seven Down Arena near Spearfish with lunch provided by Becky Crago.

Here is a list of participants, their categories, and those advancing to the State Horse Show:

- Beginner English Showmanship: Anna McMahon
- Junior English Showmanship: Kyler Schmidt
- Beginner Hunt Seat Walk Trot: Jozi Deaton
- Junior Hunt Seat Walk Trot: Remi Crago
- First time Showmanship: Dotty Hoffman
- Beginner Western Showmanship: Lola Hoffman
- Junior Western Showmanship: Remi Crago
- Senior Western Showmanship: Casen Schmidt
- 1st Time Stock Seat Walk Trot: Tilly Hoffman
- Beginner Stock Seat: Jozi Deaton
- Junior Stock Seat: Remi Crago
- Senior Stock Seat: Atty Eastman
- Junior Reining: Kyler Schmidt
- Senior Reining: Atty Eastman
- Beginner Trail: Ryker Samuelson

- Senior Trail: Addison Brownell
- Senior Trail: Atty Eastman
- Junior Ranch Riding: Kyler Schmidt
- Senior Ranch Riding: Casen Schmidt
- Beginner Pony Poles: Anna McMahon
- Junior Pony Poles: Remi Crago
- Senior Pony Poles: Atty Eastman
- Beginner Horse Poles: Jozi Deaton
- Junior Horse Poles: Addison Brownell
- Beginner Pony Barrels: Anna McMahon
- Junior Pony Barrels: Remi Crago
- Senior Pony Barrels: Atty Eastman
- Beginner Barrel Racing: Anna McMahon
- Junior Barrel Racing: Kyler Schmidt
- OverAll High Point Award Winners
- Beginner: Jozi Deaton
- Junior: Kyler Schmidt
- Senior: Atty Eastman

State Horse Show Participants will be Remi Crago, Jozi Deaton, and Kyler Schmidt. Butte Lawrence County Fair Round Robin Showmanship honors go to Junior: 1st Remi Crago, Alternate Kyler Schmidt. Senior: 1st Casen Schmidt, Alternate Atty Eastman. Photographs are courtesy of Linda Johnson.

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Riding English style, **Remi Crago** and **Kyler Schmidt** (Linda Johnson Photograph)



**Kyler Schmidt** holding bucket prizes. (Linda Johnson Photo-)



**Tacen Carr, Ryker Samuelson, Mickey Strawn** and **Casen Schmidt** (Linda Johnson Photograph)



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## Cattle Report - Friday, June 28, 2024

800 hd mostly weigh ups  
Market was fully steady

NO SALE July 5th

Next sale - July 11th - Weigh up special - Selling all classes of cattle  
Thank you for marketing with St Onge Livestock!

**Pairs**  
Rourke, Michael Or Lynn, Gillette WY ..... 16..... Bbld Ss..... 1745..... \$3,100.00

### Weigh Up Cows

21 Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	1	Rbld Hfirt	985	\$193.00
21 Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	3	Rtbl. Cwette	1111	\$167.50
21 Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	1	Rbld Cow	1405	\$148.00
21 Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	1	Red Cow	950	\$140.00
Alan, Corey, Whitewood SD	2	Bbld Cow	1267	\$141.00
Balo, Mona J, Whitewood SD	1	Blk. Cwette	1160	\$160.00
Balo, Mona J, Whitewood SD	6	Bbld Cow	1304	\$148.50
Balo, Mona J, Whitewood SD	5	Blk. Cow	1450	\$146.50
Balo, Mona J, Whitewood SD	1	Blk. Cow	1530	\$146.00
Balo, Mona J, Whitewood SD	1	Herf Cow	1240	\$142.00
Balo, Mona J, Whitewood SD	1	Blk. Cow	1725	\$140.00
Bear Skull Cattle Co, Biddle MT	1	Blk. Cow	1550	\$145.00
Bear Skull Cattle Co, Biddle MT	1	Blk. Cow	1340	\$137.50
Boyster, Brandon, Hermosa SD	1	Herf Cow	1730	\$135.00
Bruch, John H, Sturgis SD	2	Red Cwette	1135	\$165.00
Bruch, John H, Sturgis SD	1	Blk. Cow	1370	\$148.50
Bruch, John H, Sturgis SD	5	Blk. Cow	1386	\$145.00
Carter, John D, Gillette WY	3	Blk. Cwette	1161	\$157.00
Carter, John D, Gillette WY	3	Blk. Cow	1551	\$148.50
Chabot, Cody, Sundance WY	1	Herf Cow	1955	\$140.00
Crago Land & Livestock, Belle Fourche SD	3	Bbld Cwette	1180	\$151.00
Crago Land & Livestock, Belle Fourche SD	2	Bbld Cow	1422	\$149.00
Crago Land & Livestock, Belle Fourche SD	8	Bbld Cow	1583	\$148.50
Crago Land & Livestock, Belle Fourche SD	12	Bbld Cow	1352	\$147.50
Crago, Cliff Or Chris, Belle Fourche SD	1	Herf Cow	1320	\$147.00
Crowser, Scott Or Carla, Whitewood SD	3	B/R. Cow	1295	\$144.50
Cuka, Gerard, Belle Fourche SD	2	Blk. Cow	1407	\$146.00
Dinstel, Bruce & Lori, Alzada MT	1	Blk. Cwette	1120	\$168.00
Double H Ranch, Ashland MT	1	Blk. Cwette	1110	\$161.00
Double H Ranch, Ashland MT	5	Blk. Cow	1386	\$149.50
Double H Ranch, Ashland MT	8	Herf Cow	1436	\$145.00
Double H Ranch, Ashland MT	1	Herf Cow	1175	\$144.00
Duprel, Jack, Sturgis SD	6	Herf Cow	1394	\$147.00
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	6	Herf Hfirt	1058	\$179.00
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	2	Herf Cwette	1380	\$156.00
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	9	Herf Cwette	1187	\$150.00
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	1	Herf Cow	1575	\$148.00
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	1	Herf Cow	1390	\$146.50
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	7	Herf Cow	1386	\$146.50
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	1	Herf Cow	1610	\$140.00
Dust Devil Herefords Inc, Ingomar MT	1	Herf Cow	1300	\$140.00
Empire Ranch, Moorcroft WY	2	Herf Cwette	1305	\$150.00
Empire Ranch, Moorcroft WY	8	Herf Cow	1663	\$145.00
Fiedor Family Trust, Gillette WY	1	Red Hfirt	1045	\$178.00
Fiedor Family Trust, Gillette WY	1	Red Cow	1225	\$145.00
Fowler, John W Or Kachena, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Cwette	1135	\$151.00
Fowler, John W Or Kachena, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Cow	1370	\$143.50
Frederickson, Nate, Spearfish SD	1	Blk. Cwette	1165	\$155.00
Hanson, Ben, Ingomar MT	1	Herf Cow	1425	\$144.00
Hanson, Dan Or Nancy, Ingomar MT	1	Herf Cow	1330	\$147.50
Hat Llc, Miles City MT	1	Blk. Hfirt	1045	\$178.00
Hearth Partnership, Llc, Camp Crook SD	10	Bbld Cow	1487	\$148.50
Hearth Partnership, Llc, Camp Crook SD	1	Blk. Cow	1555	\$142.50
Hearth Partnership, Llc, Camp Crook SD	1	Bld. Cow	1835	\$140.00
Hearth Tail Ranch Lip, St Onge SD	4	Blk. Cow	1527	\$148.50
Hutchinson, Drew & Judy, Aladdin WY	4	Red Cow	1390	\$147.00
Hutchinson, Drew & Judy, Aladdin WY	1	Red Cow	1155	\$138.00
Kemnitz, Paul, Platte SD	1	Cow	1280	\$148.00
Landa, J, Boyes MT	1	Blk. Hfirt	895	\$209.00
Lawrence, Edward, Alzada MT	3	Blk. Cow	1708	\$149.00
Lawrence, Edward, Alzada MT	6	Herf Cow	1429	\$144.00
Lawrence, Edward, Alzada MT	1	Blk. Cow	1280	\$143.00
Lawrence, Justin, Alzada MT	1	Blk. Cow	1605	\$148.00
Lawrence, Justin, Alzada MT	1	Blk. Cow	1310	\$145.50
Lee, Wayne Or Virginia, Reva SD	2	Blk. Cow	1655	\$146.50
Lewis, Dan, Rapid City SD	1	Blk. Cow	1720	\$149.00
Lewis, Dan, Rapid City SD	1	Blk. Cow	1440	\$143.00
Lewis, Dan, Rapid City SD	2	Blk. Cow	1445	\$142.00
Mackey, Scott, Gillette WY	1	Red Hfirt	825	\$202.50
Mackey, Scott, Gillette WY	1	Red Cow	1350	\$147.50
Mackey, Scott, Gillette WY	1	Red Cow	1200	\$138.00
Marshall, David, Rozet WY	1	Blk. Cow	1570	\$149.00
Materi, Glenn, Upton WY	2	Cow	1350	\$148.50
Materi, Glenn, Upton WY	5	Bbld Cow	1570	\$147.50
McNenny Ranch Inc, Sturgis SD	1	Blk. Cow	1700	\$149.50
McNenny Ranch Inc, Sturgis SD	1	Blk. Cow	1440	\$149.50
Owen, Jack, Alzada MT	1	Red Hfirt	1025	\$177.00
Owen, Jack, Alzada MT	3	Red Cow	1333	\$145.50

Owen, John, Ekalaka MT	1	Red Cow	1555	\$144.50
P Cross Bar Ranch, Gillette WY	1	Red Hfirt	1030	\$177.00
P Cross Bar Ranch, Gillette WY	2	Xbrd Cow	1375	\$140.00
Persson, Drew, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Cwette	1225	\$150.00
Persson, Drew, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Cow	1395	\$148.50
Persson, Drew, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Cow	1355	\$147.50
Persson, Terrance & Cindy Lou, Gillette WY	2	Blk. Cwette	1122	\$161.50
Persson, Terrance & Cindy Lou, Gillette WY	2	Blk. Cow	1497	\$147.50
Pickrel Land & Cattle, Gillette WY	14	Red Cwette	1591	\$150.50
Pickrel Land & Cattle, Gillette WY	3	Red Cow	1935	\$143.50
Plossaj, Kevin, Buffalo SD	1	Blk. Cow	1435	\$148.50
Powder River Land & Cattle, Recluse WY	1	Blk. Cow	1385	\$147.00
Powder River Land & Cattle, Recluse WY	1	Blk. Cow	1515	\$140.00
Powder River Land & Cattle, Recluse WY	1	Blk. Cow	1290	\$140.00
Reil, Nolan, Recluse WY	1	Blk. Cow	1360	\$146.50
Richendifer, Darlene, Moorcroft WY	1	Blk. Cow	1440	\$140.00
Richendifer, Darlene, Moorcroft WY	1	Blk. Cow	1300	\$140.00
Ritthaler Cattle Co, Upton WY	12	Blk. Cwette	1133	\$164.00
Ritthaler Cattle Co, Upton WY	1	Blk. Cow	1705	\$146.00
Rookin B Feeders, Newell SD	1	Blk. Hfirt	1035	\$176.00
Russiff Lazy Pk Ranch, Olive MT	1	Blk. Cow	1475	\$148.00
Russiff Lazy Pk Ranch, Olive MT	1	Blk. Cow	1675	\$145.00
Steffes, Darrell, Vale SD	1	Blk. Cow	1455	\$147.00
Temple, Merle, Porcupine SD	3	B/R. Cow	1421	\$145.00
Turbiville, Don Or Nancy, Belle Fourche SD	1	Blk. Cow	1475	\$144.00
Tysdal, Lauris, Newcastle WY	6	Blk. Cow	1088	\$174.50
Tysdal, Lauris, Newcastle WY	8	Blk. Cow	1406	\$149.50
Zimmerscheid, Everett, Sundance WY	2	Blk. Cow	1442	\$145.00
Zimmerscheid, Everett, Sundance WY	2	Herf Cow	1300	\$140.00

### Weigh Up Bulls

Blair Bros Llc, Vale SD	3	Blk. Bull	1181	\$150.00
Bowman, Tracy, Fairburn SD	1	Blk. Bull	2095	\$167.00
Bowman, Tracy, Fairburn SD	1	Blk. Bull	2000	\$158.50
Bowman, Tracy, Fairburn SD	1	Blk. Bull	970	\$200.00
Carr, Warren & Douglas, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Bull	1735	\$153.00
Double H Ranch, Ashland MT	2	Herf Bull	2090	\$154.50
Dyessville Angus Llc, Hermosa SD	1	Blk. Bull	1765	\$150.00
Fish, Don, Oral SD	3	Blk. Bull	1843	\$164.00
Frederickson, Nate, Spearfish SD	7	Blk. Bull	1327	\$156.50
Gregersen, Dennis, Gillette WY	1	B/R. Bull	1970	\$170.00
Hayden, Randy L, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Bull	2165	\$175.00
Hayden, Randy L, Gillette WY	1	Blk. Bull	1905	\$172.50
Hearth H Partnership, Llc, Camp Crook SD	1	Blk. Bull	1835	\$152.00
Jorgensen Land & Cattle Co, Ideal SD	1	Blk. Bull	1620	\$151.00
Kudlock Ranch, Belle Fourche SD	1	Blk. Bull	1805	\$162.00
March, Kim, Hot Springs SD	1	Bld. Bull	1625	\$150.00
Materi, Wanda, Weston WY	1	Blk. Bull	1530	\$165.00
McNenny Ranch Inc, Sturgis SD	1	CharBull	1705	\$178.00
Meccage, Mark, Baker MT	1	Blk. Bull	2295	\$166.00
Meccage, Peggy, Baker MT	2	Blk. Bull	2047	\$160.00
Roush, Darell R, Recluse WY	2	Blk. Bull	2085	\$154.00
Thompson, Penny, Baker MT	1	Blk. Bull	2145	\$164.00
Williams, Zane, Hammond MT	1	Bull	1915	\$174.00

## Friday, July 5, 2024 NO SALE

## Friday, July 12, 2024 Weigh up sale

### 2024 CATTLE SALES

July 12th - Weigh Up Sale - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
July 19th - Weigh Up Sale - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
July 26th - Weigh Up Sale - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
August 2nd - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
August 9th - No Sale - Sturgis Bike Rally Time - Watch For Bikers!  
August 16th - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
August 23rd - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle  
August 30th - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

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## Sheep Report - Thursday, June 27, 2024

Small run of sheep today so not enough for a good test  
Market was a little softer due to lack of numbers

NO SALE July 4th

Next sale - June 11th - Feeder lamb special - selling all classes of sheep & goats  
Animals should be here by noon so they can be weighed before the sale

Thank You For Your Business!

### New Crop Lambs

Braun, Elizabeth, Newell SD ..... 8..... Lamb ..... 75..... \$235.00  
Hawthorne, Bob & Bill, Chadron NE ..... 21..... Lamb ..... 97..... \$215.00

### Replacement Ewes - Sold By The Head

Joehock, Trent, Nisland SD ..... 78..... 3yr ..... 116..... \$170.00

### Slaughter Ewes

Arledge Ranch, Robert Lee TX ..... 14..... K Ewe ..... 184..... \$76.00  
Arledge Ranch, Robert Lee TX ..... 4..... K Ewe ..... 167..... \$69.00  
Eckhardt, Joshua, Gillette WY ..... 3..... K Ewe ..... 211..... \$78.00  
Garman, Trevor, Belle Fourche SD ..... 5..... K Ewe ..... 163..... \$52.00  
Murphy, Kim & Patti, Circle MT ..... 7..... K Ewe ..... 175..... \$76.00  
Sd Consignment ..... 9..... K Ewe ..... 132..... \$69.00

### Slaughter Bucks

Murphy, Kim & Patti, Circle MT ..... 10..... K buck ..... 244..... \$77.00  
Murphy, Kim & Patti, Circle MT ..... 4..... K buck ..... 240..... \$70.00

## NEWELL SHEEP YARDS

NO SALE July 4, 2024

Thursday, July 11, 2024

Feeder lamb special 1:00 PM

Please Have Animals In By Noon  
So They Can All Be Weighed Before The Sale!

### 2024 SHEEP SALES

July 11th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
July 18th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
July 25th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
August 1st - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
August 8th - No Sale - Sturgis Bike Rally Time  
August 15th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
August 22nd - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
August 29th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
September 5th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
September 12th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
September 19th - Annual Replacement Ewe, Ewe Lamb & Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats - 10 Am Start  
September 26th - Feeder Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
October 3rd - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
October 10th - Feeder Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
October 17th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
October 24th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
October 31st - Feeder Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats  
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Last weekend the Orient Express came through our town courtesy of Belle Fourche Area Community Theater. The stage adaptation of Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express married crime and comedy while keeping the audience guessing the killer.

"There's a tension among your passengers," noted world famous detective Hercules Poirot (Nathan Thompson) before boarding the Orient Express. He was right. Later that morning, one of the train's passengers was found stabbed to death - surrounded by suspects and clues.

With dry wit, a Belgian accent, and his classic giant mustache, Poirot spends the play sifting through clues and dubious alibis.

Long time Agatha Christie fan, Melita Quinonez, jumped at the chance to direct the show with the community theater: "I was going to audition for this show, but then was asked to direct. It's been an amazing experience."

Melita spoke on how the show's popularity brought in talent from all around the Hills. 35 people came out for auditions but the show only offers

12 speaking roles.

"Out of those roles," says Quinonez, "there are ten characters with distinct accents. This was the most challenging part of the show. But they did an amazing job."

The accents were indeed excellent - perhaps one of the most entertaining parts of the show. The audience heard Scottish, French, English, Hungarian, Russian, Belgian, as well as a very well executed Minnesotan accent.

In addition to the accents, the set was also ambitious. A train dining room could transform into sleeping quarters in seconds due to two well designed spinning floors, each 18 feet in diameter. Jonathon Tinsley and Terry Hoscheid designed and built the set from scratch while volunteers decorated the train to fit the early 1900's decadent aesthetic. According to Sharon Thompson, who played a smug Russian princess, bringing this show together was, "a true community effort." Not only was the stage decorated, but the entire auditorium made viewers feel as if they themselves had booked a ticket on the Orient Express. The intermission bake sale even offered guests desserts from around the globe.

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**Account of Belle Fourche Bank Robbery from Empty Saddles Forgotten Names, Outlaws of the Black Hills and Wyoming by Doug Engebretson.** All the facts quoted here are footnoted from Belle Fourche Times, Deadwood Pioneer-Times, and Charles Kelly's The Outlaw Trail: The Story of Butch Cassidy and "The Wild Bunch"

*This article is continued from the last Belle Fourche Beacon, June 26, 2024*

The preliminary hearing was scheduled to be held in Belle Fourche the next day. Butte County Attorney T. W. LaFleiche asked Temple to waive the hearing and expressed his concern that regardless of the outcome, O'Day would be lynched. Despite LaFleiche's advice Temple and his client showed up for the hearing. When it became necessary to postpone the hearing until the next day what to do with O'Day became an immediate problem. O'Day spend the night in the one place in Belle Fourche even he could attest to being impregnable – the vault of the Butte County Bank.

After the testimony of eight of the twelve witnesses sworn in, Temple had heard enough and asked that the court pronounce its judgement. Justice C. T. Martin found sufficient evidence to hold O'Day for trial and set his bail in the amount of \$15,000. Just as the close of the examination Col. Parker announced that the remainder of the gang had been captured. "But as he was more than "half seas over" no one credited the erroneous report. Later, however, the rest of the gang were captured by Montana managers Jones D. Hicks and W. E. Smith near Red Lodge, Montana. "Kid" Curry, who was not one of the Butte County Bank robbers but was wanted elsewhere, escaped. Handcuffed together they gave the officers who returned them no trouble; not even "the Jones boys", who as Queen City Mail noted "seemed to try to be ugly." On Halloween night all of the

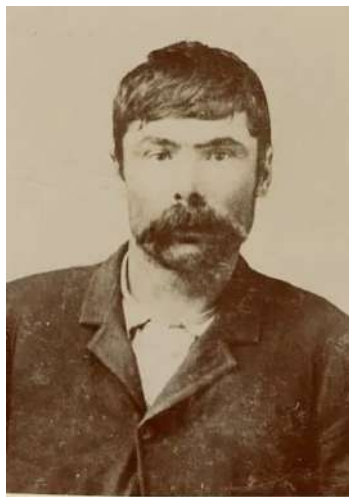
bank robbers, plus William Moore who was being held for murdering another man for mistreating a dog, escaped. When the news of the jail escape reached Belle Fourche counselor Temple was advised that the remark, "After we catch the robbers, we ought to hang them on the spot, and then hang their lawyers afterwards," was being freely bandied about town.

Tom O'Day and Walter Puntaney, the only member o the gang reformed after the robbery, were soon recaptured near Spearfish. They were almost willing prisoners; they had not eaten for two day and their attempt to steal a horse was met with laughter when the horsemen learned they were unarmed. None of the other members of the gang were ever brought to trial for their part in the Butte County robbery. A change of venue was granted when twenty-seven of thirty persons interviewed by the court testified they could not obtain a fair trial in Butte County. The trials, held in Deadwood, were bizarre – to say the least. The Deadwood Independent's court reporter was an active worker for the defense. After each day's proceedings lawyer W. O. Temple donned a reporter's attire and reported for the Pioneer and A. D. Shockley of the Belle Fourche Times candidly advised that he found Temple's reporting "quite affecting (to the most " and commented on the manner in which reporter Temple commented on the courtroom genius of lawyer Temple. Puntaney was placed on trial first and was found not guilty of engagement in the bank robbery. He was then placed on trial for acting with a deadly weapon for his part in shooting up and down street during the robbery. To this charge Puntaney pleaded self-defense; an interesting plea since he had been found not guilty of being involved in the bank robbery. After the trial all members of the jury, the judge, and the



by Mary Buchholz

attorneys were asked to assume the places they had maintained during the trial. Miss Nellie, Walter's sister, wanted a photograph. It was felt that a better case had been made against O'Day and at least one of the robbers would get a prison sentence. Not long after the trial it could be seen that, in spite of the evidence, O'Day would also be found not guilty. O'Day and Puntaney were then indicted for the escape Halloween night. On a motion by Lawrence County States Attorney Wilson the indictment was set aside. Wilson said he could not prove O'Day and Puntaney had actually escaped, but perhaps had "walked out when the way was clear as any innocent man, yielding to impulse and love of freedom has done before." It was an understandable argument. That was precisely what Temple had maintained had happened all along. Tom O'Day soon became the idol of a curious matinee drinking crowd at Carter's Resort in Deadwood which prompted Times editor Shockley to think that O'Day's future might hold bigger and better things were in store for him. He imagined O'Day in the Chicago dime museum with a placard bearing his image.



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September 5, 2024	ANNIVERSARY BBO - YRL & WEIGH UP SPECIAL/ ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
September 12, 2024	REGULAR SALE / ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
September 19, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT, FEEDERS @ 12 MT, HORSE SALE TO FOLLOW CATTLE SALE
September 26, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT, FEEDERS @ 12 MT
October 3, 2024	SPRING CALF & YRL SPECIAL / ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
October 4, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
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October 17, 2024	SPRING CALF & YRL SPECIAL / ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
October 18, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
October 24, 2024	SPRING CALF & YRL SPECIAL / ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
October 25, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
October 31, 2024	SPRING CALF & YRL SPECIAL / ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
November 1, 2024	BRED CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT, BREDS @ 12 MT
November 7, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL - FEEDERS @ 10 MT
November 8, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
November 14, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL - FEEDERS @ 10 MT
November 15, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
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November 22, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
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December 19, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT, FEEDERS @ 12 MT
December 20, 2024	STOCK COW & BRED HFR SPECIAL - ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT

Runners Take Part in Banff, Alberta, Canada "Bearathon" and Half Marathon



Lake Louise from up above Hiking on the Bee Hive Trail.

'Huge' grizzly bear sightings delayed runners at Banff Marathon

(Article by Jordon Small from theBow Valley Daily, Banff, Alberta)

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including at least one grizzly, were the talk of the 2024 Banff Marathon on an otherwise cold and rainy Sunday (June 16) after the lumbering bruins delayed sections of the annual race for up to 90 minutes.

"It was all clear and then the grizzly bear was right there in

front of us and it was walking toward us," said marathon winner Andrew Payne of Roberts Creek, B.C. "[Wildlife crews] yelled 'red flag' and everyone walked back slowly and it was just getting closer and closer as we were walking back and



Erica, Kari, and Michelle at the starting line at Banff. Courtesy Photo

Glacier National Park in Montana to explore and then went on to Banff, Alberta, Canada specifically to run this course and explore the area. Hiking at Lake Louise and to the Plain of 6 Glaciers was a favorite of the trio and yes, the water in Lake Louise is really as blue in person as it is in the photos.

eventually a car came along and scared it away, but it was huge. It was at least the size of six, seven people."

Payne was stopped three times by bears over the 42-kilometre marathon in Alberta, which began at the Banff

They try to plan a "girls trip" every year to some place they have never been to run, hike, explore and reconnect. They will venture to West Virginia in late October of this year as Kari and Erica will tackle their first 100 mile ultra run and Michelle will be there to assist with pacing duties for the duo.

townsite and headed west on the closed-to-traffic Bow Valley Parkway. Payne said the bear delays added about 90 minutes to his overall time of 4:32:11.

Lena Krendelshchikova, the first overall woman in the marathon, also had heart-pounding

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**Pain & Movement** team posed for the photographer. Team score was not available at press time. *Chutin Chicks Photo*



Members of the **Chutes for Charity** organization held their 15th Annual Black Hills Roundup Golf Tournament June 29th. Prizes were awarded for Best dressed "Tacky Tourists Team." *Courtesy Photos Alisha Barry, Chutin Chicks Photography*



This Story of a nearby Montana Rancher's dog made Newsweek Magazine this past week. It's proved a massive hit online, with 55 million views and close to 7 million likes since being uploaded on June 24.

"Border collies take their duties very seriously, and one farm worker has learned how to use one to herd sheep without lifting a finger (or in this case, paw).

A farmer who shares life in rural Montana with his TikTok-account, @shyish1994, has gone viral for showing off his expertly trained working dog herding a group of tiny lambs."

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- JUL 17** DELANEY JOHNSTON 7 PM
- JUL 24** NORTHERN HILLS BAND 7 PM
- JUL 31** GREEN DOLPHIN 7 PM

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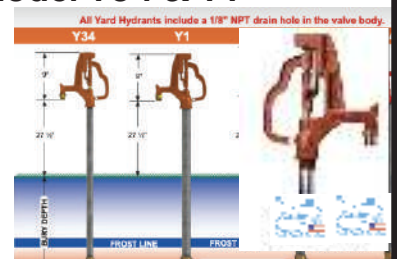
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Dan Carlson, Pastor  
Paul Howard, Pastor  
Sunday Schedule:  
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Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

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1105 Todd St.  
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Sunday School:  
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**Emmanuel Baptist**  
902 Lawrence St. • 723-6899  
Andy Anderson, Pastor  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School  
10 a.m. Sunday Worship  
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website: ebcfbf.org

**CONNECTION CHURCH (SBC)**  
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Pastor Stephen Carson  
Worship Pastor Ashton Rone  
Sunday Worship: 8:45 or 10:15 am

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807 8th Ave. 892-4178  
Pastor Tim Smith  
Sunday: Sunday School - 9:15am  
Morning Worship - 10:30am  
Wednesday: Salt and Light Youth - Kindergarten -12th grade  
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5:30pm - Salt and Light

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9:35 a.m. Sunday School  
10 a.m. Worship

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901 Laurel St. Whitewood  
(605)-920-1959  
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10:30 a.m. Adult & Teen Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School

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Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service

**NEWELL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**  
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Sunday Worship Service: 10:00am

**NORTHERN HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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Calvin Chapman - Int. Minister  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Class  
10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Class

**NORTH POINT CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
10959 Kellem Lane, Spearfish  
Sunday Services: 9AM and 10:30AM

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

**RANGELAND MINISTRIES CHURCH**  
Alzada, MT  
Sunday: Worship: 10:00am  
Mark Leverington, Lay Pastor

**BLACK HILLS GOSPEL ASSEMBLY**  
1/2 Mile east on Hwy 34 • 210-1374  
Kenny Riley, pastor  
Sunday: 1 p.m.  
Friday: 7:30 p.m.

**SALVATION ARMY OF THE NORTHERN HILLS**  
120 Ryan Rd., Spearfish  
605-642-0924  
Envoys: Tim and Peggy North  
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.  
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Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.

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Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship  
Kidz Church Immediately Following  
Wednesday: September - May  
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
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**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
1403 5th Ave., Belle Plaza  
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Sunday: 9am Sunday School  
and Bible Class, 10am Worship

**GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH**  
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Worship: Sunday 10:30 am -FB Live  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
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402 Rosander St. Vale SD 57788  
Service Sunday: 10 a.m.  
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Sabbath School: 9:30am  
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Bible Study-Tuesday: 6:00pm

**Red Water Church of Christ**  
Belle Fourche Rec Center  
Sun: 9:30-12:30.  
Contact: Nathan Thompson  
605 569-3057  
Sermons: fightintheshade

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# Central Meade County News

By Sandy Rhoden June 23, 2024



After the blessing of 1.6 inches of rain or so in the Union Center area on Thursday night to Friday morning, it was followed by two very warm and sunny days to finish out the weekend. A good number of folks took to the fishing holes and campgrounds. While we hope for some sort of moisture this week, the forecast looks to be a dry one. Hopefully all can get that first cutting of hay completed as between the threat of grasshoppers and the lack of moisture, it could be slim cuttin's for the rest of the summer. However, with a lot of prayers going up, Central Meade County usually fairs quite well considering extreme conditions we historically face.

Vacation Bible School is in full swing in Union Center this week. It is Monday through Thursday from 9:00 - 12:00 noon. Thinking back to the past, we typically held VBS from Monday through Friday, 9:00 - 2:00. It was always a long week, but we certainly felt renewed as teachers and helpers.

It was always a special time and many of the children who attended are either sending their kids, or their kids are too old to attend now. Ages 5 and up are welcome and snacks will be provided.

Thank you to all volunteers to help provide this special opportunity for children in the area. It will be held at the church in Union Center.

Larry Rhoden, serving as Ag Ambassador to South Dakota, left for a trade mission trip last weekend to both Japan and Taiwan. They were very successful in their last mission

to Mexico which was able to open some trading for South Dakota farm products.

Hopefully this will be another productive group of meetings as well. Their schedule is packed with meetings so it is quite an intense time overseas.

Jack Seller hosted a nice group of ladies for Ladies Prayer Breakfast on Saturday morning at the Community Baptist Church in Union Center. Francie Brink, Kathryn Spring, Donna Cammack, Deb Vig and others took advantage of the biscuits and gravy and more that Jack served.

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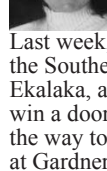
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Trenton has been a teacher at the Rural Meade School in Union Center and Brooke serves as an aide there as well. The bride looked beautiful as well as the colors chosen for her bouquet. There was a good crew of family who helped get the reception ready for the big celebration. It was a special time for friends and family. Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Schuelke!

As a reminder, this Sunday, June 30 will be the 50th anniversary celebration for Chuck and Ninu Spring at the Central Meade County Community Center from 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

# Hospital News

By KAREN ODELL



June 24, 2024  
Last week, Ronda Cordell went to the Southeast Electric Meeting in Ekalaka, and was lucky enough to win a door prize. On Saturday, on the way to Buffalo, she stopped by at Gardner Lake to see some of the Fishing Derby. At Buffalo, she attended the Stuart and Renee Gupitl Fiftieth Anniversary party. Then, in Camp Crook she stopped to visit with Lisa Koranda. Ronda had a dental appointment in Rapid City on Monday. Diane Wear came on Sunday night to do chores for her. Ronda stayed with Cristen and Jayda Westling on Sunday night, and they treated her to a belated Mothers' Day supper at the Pizza Ranch. She stopped at Jolly Lane Greenhouse and Sam's Club on Monday. After her appointment she met Curt Zolnoski for lunch. Cristen's cat had bit Ronda when she wanted out, so Ronda stopped at Urgent Care in Spearfish to have the wound and swelling checked. Jack Ovitz called Ronda, on Wednesday, to let her know that his thermometer was at twenty-five degrees. Clint Zolnoski's read thirty-one. Ronda spent much time, Wednesday, with the NAU crop adjuster who came to inspect fields. Thursday was the day to put out bulls. Clint, Denise, Darby and Abby Zolnoski, came early, because it takes three ATV's to make sure those big critters head to the corrals and not the hills. They behaved, and never broke a corral except to lift a pipe gate off the hinges, as Ronda was spraying the last three. Clint hauled while Ronda sprayed groups. Ronda had planted garden on Friday afternoon.

Then, thunder and lightening came through, on Saturday morning, with seven-tenths of rain. Erma Albert attended a party sponsored by the Altar Society, on Tuesday evening. She went to the chiropractor in Buffalo, on Wednesday, and then went to her physical therapy appointment, too. On Friday, she and Dick went to the Senior Citizen dinner. She got some more plants to put outside. Lynn Gustafson attended the Little Girls' Tea that was sponsored by the Diligent Doers Extension Club. The tea was for girls up to sixth grade, and the girls were from Carter County and the Camp Crook area. It was held at the Methodist Church in Camp Crook, and was lots of fun for everyone. Lynn had a doctor's appointment in Rapid City on Thursday. She and Bruce still have no grasshoppers; maybe because they had more rain at the right time. Doug Davis went to a Parish Church Council Meeting, at the Rec Center in Buffalo, on Thursday. Amanda, Rory and Oliver Davis came to visit at Doug and Julia Davis's. They will stay so that the boys can attend Bible school this week at the Little Missouri Church. Bible School will be in the evenings from Monday to Thursday, and there will be a program on Thursday evening. Travis will come on Thursday, also, and stay for a few days. Shirley Melum noted that there was a freeze this week, too. It didn't seem to be cold enough to get rid of the grasshoppers. Many trees are

covered with worms that may do lots of harm, too. Don't think I like them any better.

Dorothy Padden attended the Girls' Tea at the church in Camp Crook, on Monday, too. On Thursday, Lorraine Chin took her mother, Dorothy, out to supper at the Corner Cafe in Camp Crook. Lorraine left to drive back to Texas, on Saturday. She will come back to have the museum open at fair time. Dorothy went with Ashley Padden to a baby shower in Reva, that day.

Alvin Cordell has planted and been watering some new trees. The grasshoppers are still prevalent, but Ryan started haying at the Yates place. On Wednesday, Alvin saw thirty degrees on his thermometer. Ivan Teigen had ice at his place. Alvin got nearly half an inch of rain this week. He had heard that there was a good rain in the Long Pines. Wade Pearson came out to the ranch on Thursday and Friday to spray weeds and put the bulls out. Cade has spent lots of time out at the ranch helping Marlee, but she will miss him for a while, because Wade took him home with him. Nathan Kalbach and his family have spent the week at the ranch with Ernie, Rachel and Tommy Melum. Nathan helped Ernie get some fencing done. On Sunday, they all went to Baker, where Nathan's family will stay to visit with other relatives.

Karen Odell did a little mowing, and the grasshoppers did lots of mowing, this week. She visited with her kids, her brothers, Ron and Jim Evans and her classmate, Bill Foulkes. She made a trip to Ekalaka for a meeting, on Tuesday, and did a little shopping. Some rain was predicted, so then she worked on some indoor painting, and her two sessions of physical therapy. This was an interesting week for Cody Odell's family in Mitchell. The rain came down similar to the old saying of a 'gully washer'. The Corn Palace, where Kenna Odell works, was surrounded by water, and many streets were blocked by running streams where none should be. The interstate in both directions was blocked for a while, and to the west it was blocked for a few days. Some stores were flooded and so was the motorcycle museum. Cody, Kylie, Kenna and Carson spent a day cleaning up their wet basement. A deer attacked Cody, when some mounted antlers fell from the basement wall. Kurt and Roberta Thomas, Kylie's parents at Kimball, had a huge and dangerous rushing stream running between the house and sheds, that had never before been thought of as being a stream bed. The storm had brought up to fifteen inches of rain and as it headed on west, Mollie and JD Smith kept look-out for it at Minneapolis, but the main rains headed more south toward Wisconsin, where Jeff and Amanda Odell were vacationing, so they got a taste of it, too. You have probably heard that when Noah lasted out that flood, Camp Crook got a couple of drops. Well, this time it was a little better, because Tie Creek got nearly a half-inch. Micki and Jesse Hinds, on the west coast, had a nice cool dry weekend for watching a game of rugby. It makes no difference if it's a velvet throne or a sack of grain, you and a king would both be sitting on the same body part.

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# How to Destroy a Community in 5 Simple Steps

I have spent years writing about how to revitalize and increase the vibrancy within a community. This week, I want to concentrate on what not to do and provide five simple steps a community can take to assure they fail and continue down the path towards irrelevancy.



by John Newby

Never in the history of mankind, have we been so blessed with so much information, but seem to know so little. I can't even begin to count the number of times people have questioned why they didn't know of an event that happened locally, until the event was over. It used to be everyone knew what was going on because they had a local media company that everyone pointed to for this information, both good and bad. They were the community information hub or informational town square if you will.

The first step in assuring failure is to ignore the importance local media plays in your community. Granted, many local media companies have abandoned their role in the community. But regardless of the situation, if they aren't convinced to reassume this role, or another entity such as a chamber, local leadership team or doesn't step up, the community will fail to reach its full potential as lack of communication will sink most ships.

Make no mistake, local media plays a crucial role in fostering community cohesion by informing residents about local issues, events, and opportunities. Neglecting local media in favor of exclusive reliance on social media platforms may result in misinformation and a lack of awareness about critical com-

munity matters. Social media, while a valuable tool, should not replace the role of local journalism in holding authorities accountable and providing accurate, in-depth reporting on community affairs.

The second step in assuring failure is to have a lack of zoning and permitting. The zoning and permitting processes are vital for organized development. Without proper zoning discussions, communities' risk haphazard construction and incompatible land use, leading to congestion, reduced property values, and decreased quality of life. The absence of a permitting process can result in unregulated development, potentially compromising safety standards and environmental sustainability. Proper permits ensure that structures adhere to safety codes, protecting residents and the community's overall well-being.

The third step in promoting failure as a community is the lack of respect for property rights. Ineffective regulations and lack of enforcement against slumlords and trash generating lots will lead to the deterioration of housing quality, negatively impacting residents' health and safety. Failure to address neglect and substandard living conditions can create a cycle of poverty and despair within the community, discouraging investment and fostering a sense of hopelessness among residents.

The fourth step towards failure is the lack of encouragement to shop and spend locally. Supporting local businesses is essential for the economic vitality of a community. When residents consistently choose online retailers

over local businesses, it drains resources from the local economy and contributes to the decline of small businesses. Local businesses are often the backbone of a community, providing employment opportunities, contributing to the tax base, and fostering a unique community identity. Neglecting to educate residents on the importance of supporting local businesses can lead to a weakened economic foundation.

The fifth step is one many may not think about often, that is the lack of civic engagement. Communities with low voter turnout are a community full of people that have given up, or just plain don't care. I have often said that you can measure the strength and resolve of a community by the voter turnout. Low voter turnout means the residents are not engaged, the residents feel they can't make a difference, the residents are just fed-up, and/or the residents have no faith in the leadership. Do you want to lift your community out of poverty or take it to another level? If that is the case, leaders need to instill hope, they need to instill a sense of pride, belonging and being heard. Bottom-line, they need to reignite the love and passion that people use to have towards their community.

There is a small dose of irony in these 5 steps that lead to failure for a community. That irony is that by addressing these aspects, this will be the quickest way for communities to turn the tide and build a strong foundation for growth, resilience, and a high quality of life for all residents. There is no better time than now to start that journey!

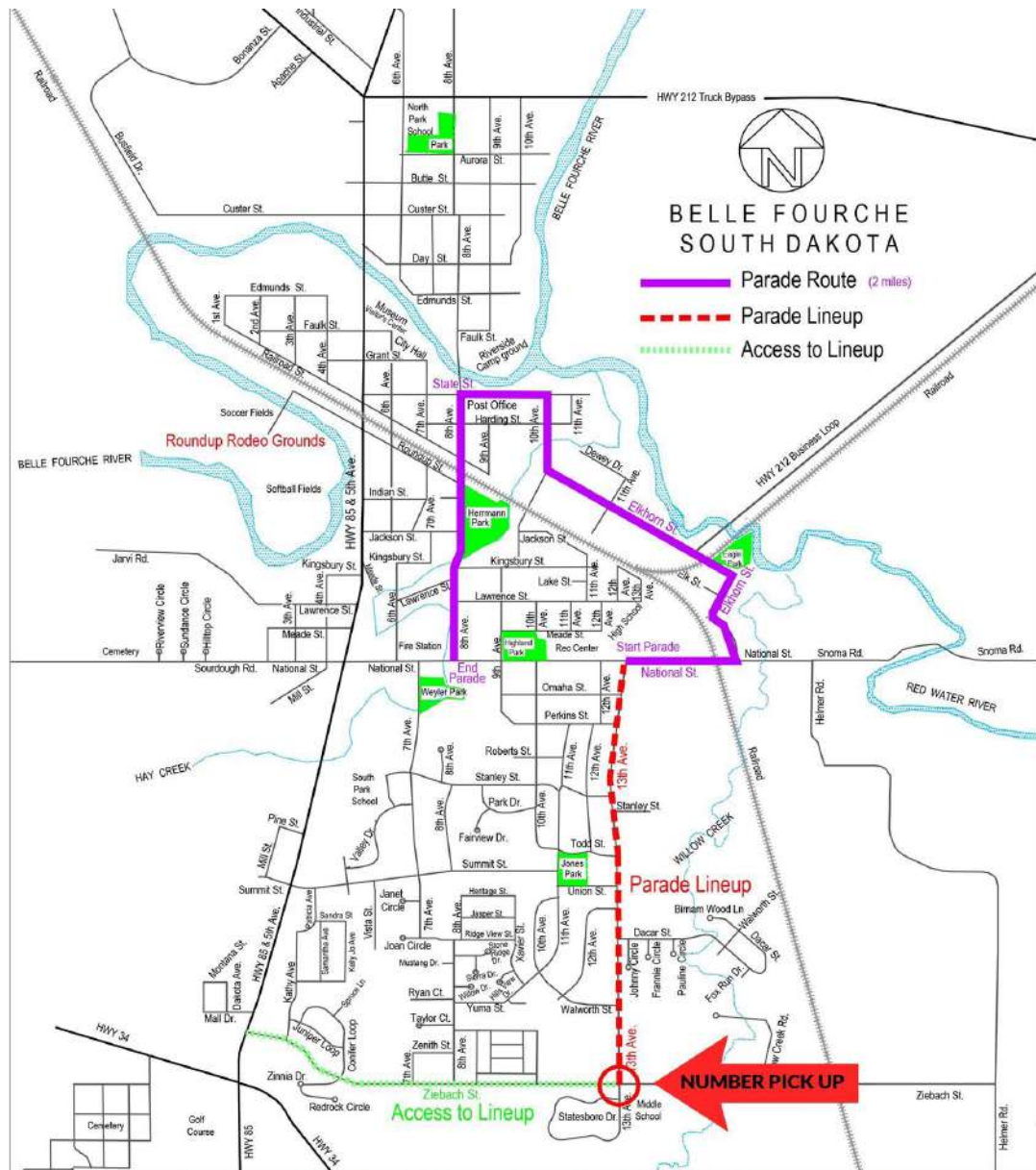
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# Butte/Lawrence County Extension News: Heating Up with July Activities

Meg English news@bellefourchebeacon.com

July is a traditional time for county fairs in South Dakota. From July 29 through August 3 the tradition continues at the Butte/Lawrence County Fairgrounds in Nisland, SD. This year's fair theme is: "Sew it, Grow it, Show it!". There's still time to enter as entries close on July 19th.

Meanwhile, many other events, activities and extension related activities are happening in July, including a hunting skills challenge on July 5th and 6th hosted by Northern Hills Shooting Sports and a fishing workshop on July 24th and 26th. See flyers for more information, or contact the Butte/Lawrence Extension office <https://buttesd.org/extension>

### July 2024

- July 5- ETHICS Class 3-5 PM
- July 5th and 6th Hunting Skills Challenge
- July 8-10 State 4-H Horse Show-Huron
- July 9-Butte & Lawrence Leaders Meet at 6:00 followed by Redwater @7 Ext. Off
- July 12- Butte County 4-H Rodeo- Black Hills Roundup Grounds
- July 15 Last Day to Register new SS members for Summer Program
- July 15 SS End of Match 4
- July 16 Scores for SS Match 4 due to John by 9:30 am (CST)
- July 19- Butte Lawrence County Fair Entries close
- July 19- ETHICS Class 3-5 PM
- July 24 and July 26 Fishing Workshop

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# Hunting Skills Challenge

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Hosted by Northern Hills Shooting Sports

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The Spearfish Rifle & Trap Club—Spearfish, SD

See Next Pages for further details of format, schedule & registration form

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From C1 Banff

moments with wildlife on Sunday. Looking around the corner for furry creatures, she said her heart rate shot up every time a bighorn sheep or bear popped out of nowhere.

"I was super nervous, and I also saw mountain [sheep] and ... I felt like they were going to jump on me," she said, with a laugh.

"I think the whole course was challenging just with the ups and downs, and I'm from Texas, so we don't have many hills, but overall, this has been the best marathon I've ran just because it was so adventurous."

Krendelshchikova added she was impressed by how well-organized the race was, particularly with how wildlife crews quickly came into action.

When it came to wildlife, Banff Marathon organizers and Parks Canada "planned for that extensively" and had procedures in place, checkpoints every few kilometres, and also educated about the possibility of, quite literally, running into bears.

"This isn't a typical marathon, we know this can happen so we were prepared for it," said race director Paul Regensburg.

Regensburg added there were no conflicts or dangerous encounters for runners or wildlife.

At one point, approximately 200 marathoners stopped all at once on Bow Valley Parkway to wait as a bear was nearby. It was an uncommonly large group size, noted Regensburg, who puts on the Banff Marathon and Melissa's Road Race.

"We've had stops before, that's not unusual for us, but it's usually like five to 20 people for five minutes to let a bear travel [through]."

This was some extensive stops just to make sure the bears cleared the area," said Regensburg.

Banff is home to grizzly and black bears.

The Outlook reached out to

Parks Canada for comment, but they were not immediately available.

Sunday's 10km and half marathon races weren't affected by the bear delays, but some participants got a good view of the large crowds waiting, such as Duncan Marsden of Canmore and Jesse Kitteridge of Banff.

"The lead cyclist was giving me updates the whole way, saying 'we might have to turn around early,' but it looks like Parks did their job and was scaring them off," said Marsden, who won the half marathon at a time of 1:16:36.

Recently, Marsden helped set a Guinness World Record in Calgary. He and 10 other Mito-Canada runners for the fastest half marathon as a linked team on May 26 at the Calgary Marathon. They finished at a time of 1:19:45, beating the previous record of 1:26:14 set in 2015.

Though no records were broken in Banff, the running-machine was at the top of his game.

"The course is quite tough and there is a few decent hills in there that keep me honest but the weather was fine. I didn't feel like it impacted me," said Marsden.

Coming back from an injury, Kitteridge, who came in second in the half marathon, said he achieved his goal of finishing in less than 80 minutes (1:19:36).

"One of these years, I would like to win this race and [Melissa's Road Race] in a year, so I was trying to set the stage but I won't be able to do it this year," said Kitteridge.

Aside from wildlife, trains travelling across walkways also delayed runners.

In the marathon, the top placing local male and female were Henry Ratcliff in 16th overall and Melissa Delgado in 142nd.

In the half marathon, the top finishing local female was Julita Bikulciute in 69th.

In the 10km, Harrison Enns was third overall and Kim Logan was 19th and were the top finishing local male and female.

Additional Photos on C-4

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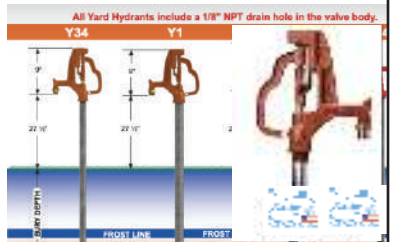
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Banff at back end of Lake Louise. Courtesy photo



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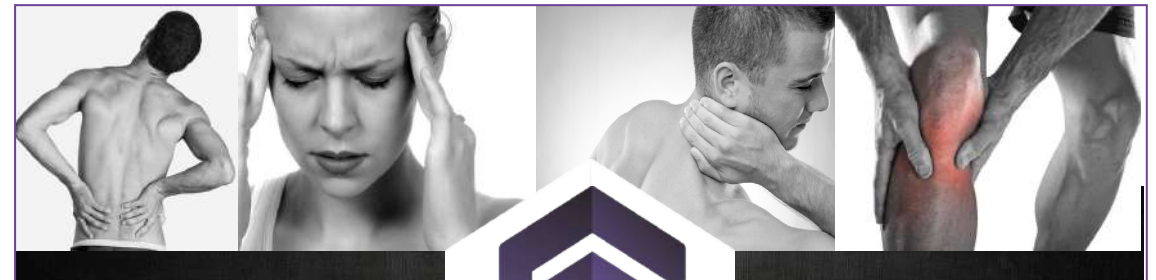
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Three hikers wading in Lake Louise Brrrrrrrrrr! Courtesy Photo



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

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		9	5					

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# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

**ACROSS**  
 1 Unidentified flying object (abbr.)  
 4 Green  
 8 Monsignor (abbr.)  
 12 Knight  
 13 Army of the Republic of Vietnam (abbr.)  
 14 Great Barrier island  
 15 Guido's note (2 words)  
 16 Electric catfish  
 17 Dead  
 18 Head lama  
 20 Grandson of Esau  
 22 United States Dept. of Agriculture (abbr.)  
 25 Finishing machine  
 28 Witness  
 31 Isle of Napoleon

**DOWN**  
 1 Accustomed  
 33 Woman; obs.  
 34 Time period  
 35 Finesse  
 36 Like (suf.)  
 37 Compass direction  
 38 Mitigate  
 39 Before (pref.)  
 40 Work  
 42 Buttocks  
 44 Brain layer  
 46 Plain moss  
 50 Northumberland river  
 52 Salient angle  
 55 Ambassador (abbr.)  
 56 Negatives  
 57 Idea (pref.)  
 58 Fr. business abbreviation  
 59 Noun-forming (suf.)  
 60 Munich's river  
 61 Limited (abbr.)

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

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**2** Threadlike parts: anat.  
**3** Of the mouth  
**4** Balinese spear dance  
**5** Irish Republican Army (abbr.)  
**6** Columbia Valley  
**7** Authority (abbr.)  
**8** Within (pref.)  
**9** Simple organism  
**10** Jade  
**11** Mortar beater  
**19** Bird  
**21** Repast  
**23** Ten (pref.)  
**24** Tipping  
**26** Vent  
**27** Counsel  
**28** Whimper  
**29** Indian buffalo  
**30** Lean  
**32** Blue (Fr.)  
**35** Dried up  
**39** Exclamations of delight  
**41** Corpulent  
**43** Cobbler  
**45** 92 (Rom. numeral)  
**47** Salt  
**48** Send out  
**49** Sleeping  
**50** Television channel  
**51** Pronoun  
**53** Classifieds  
**54** Nat'l Endowment for the Arts (abbr.)

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 IF." - GITKMO IHJHMRH

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## Final Meeting of the Fiscal Year

Betty Bruner  
news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL-The Newell School Board cleared up final business for the fiscal school year of 2023-2024. Business was taken care of fairly smoothly before the board went into executive session. Discussion was lengthy concerning funds from the classes of 2021, 2022, and 2023. Each class had funds that had been raised and had been sitting in the accounts and needed attention. Board Member Dean Johnson wanted to be sure the funds were used for what the students had decided while attending school. However, students from these classes had been notified and the use of the funds had been signed off for the school to use. A roll call vote with three Aye votes and one Nay vote passed the approval. Aye votes came from Sara Brunner, Tyrel Bonnet, and Todd Youngberg. Dean Johnson was the dissenting vote.

The second reading of the Student Handbook was done. Discussion included some of the changes and board members thought it would be beneficial if the new version of the handbook could be viewed online. Superintendent Dr. Pittman said that she would get the version ready to be put on the school website so that parents could see it before the final acceptance at the July 8 meeting.

Outdated IT equipment was approved for surplus. The equipment disposal will be handled by the IT Department.

Amy Williams and Hannah Hendrick were approved as bank signatures for the Custodial Accounts.

Discussion of concrete for extra handicap parking and football bleacher pad was tabled until the July meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Newell School Board is July 8 at 6 p.m.

### THANK YOU!

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## Raising the Flag



Raising the new flag on the new pole at the city offices by State Commander David Baumiller as VFW Post 5807 representative Nila Charles and her grandson Kade salute. Photo by Betty Bruner

## New Flag Flies

Betty Bruner

news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL-There's a new flag flying at Newell City offices. The flag and flag pole were donated by VFW Post 5807. The beautiful lamp post is adorned with a gold globe on top that is brightened by a circle of light. At night the flag will fly illuminated so that all can enjoy Old Glory even in the dark.

State VFW Commander David Baumiller explained that the resources were donated through funds received during the VFW convention. Nine

thousand dollars was donated to the local VFW Post 5807. At the same time a raffle had been held that raised over \$9,000 for Black Hills VA Homeless Vet Watch and \$3,000 to the SD Service Dogs for Veterans.

Baumiller encourages every business in Newell to fly the American flag. He said that it would inspire residents and visitors to see the legendary red, white, and blue.

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## Grand River Roundup



**Betty Olson**

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Another hot week with some rain and there was a heavy fog last Monday morning when the temperature reached 97 degrees later that day.

Anna Rose Woll, age 92, of Lodgepole, passed away on Sunday, June 23, at the CHI St. Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck. Her memorial services are pending with the Evanson Jensen Funeral Home.

Hugh Meier came back down from Morrilstown Monday morning to finish the last things to do after he laid the beautiful flooring in our living room last week. He caulked around the fireplace and helped Reub put down the covers over the thresholds of the doors that had flooring laid next to them. I sent a picture of the finished flooring to our daughter Teri Dee and Mike McNelis and they thought it looked really good too.

A day after submitting petitions to the Secretary of State

on Monday in support of overturning Senate Bill 201, South Dakota Property Rights and Local Control Alliance announced Tuesday it had turned roughly 10,000 more signatures than the 17,508 minimum required for initiated referendums. Thank you to all the people who got those petitions signed and sent in to try to take back our property rights when it goes on the ballot this fall.

Reub went up to our Horse Creek pasture to spray weeds Tuesday morning and while he was gone I baked eight loaves of bread, even though it was 94 degrees outside and the air conditioner couldn't keep up with the oven on. That made me remember what my Grandma Lydia Wilkinson had to do when my sister and I lived with her at the old Glendo store and post office after Mom had a heart attack and Dad was taking care of her at our house in Prairie City. Grandma didn't have running water, just a well up on the hill back of the house where

we pumped the water that we carried to the house in a bucket to drink and an outhouse we used up on the hill. Grandma also didn't have air conditioning and did all her cooking and baking in a wood stove in the hot kitchen. I was four years old and my sister Judy was two and half when we lived there. While Grandma was baking, my sister and I would go outside to play with Grandma's dog, White Fang, and pick pig weed out of the ditch in front of the house to eat for lunch. I have no idea what the real name of pig weed is, but that's what Grandma called it and I still love to eat it because it tastes better than any other greens. Those were the "good old days".

Speaking of the "good old days", we got an invitation inviting us to "Yesterday's Kids Camp" at Cedar Canyon Bible Camp near Maurine, SD on Monday, July 8th for all those 60 years old and older. The camp is located at 16299 Stomprud Road, Faith, SD and it starts at 9:30am with coffee and refreshments and ends with refreshments at 4:00pm. This year's theme is "Tractors and implements we once used". Shiloh Hewitt and crew will provide sing-a-long music and skits, Edna Smith will play favorite requests, Becky Paul and team will provide a delicious meal and other refresh-

ments, and Pastor Jake Julson will bring a message that will refresh your soul and bring you closer to God. They will laugh and reminisce over the "Museum for the Day", so be sure to bring along any farming or gardening tools or implements (or pictures thereof) along with your stories of how they were used. Register by calling Chastity Julson at (605) 754-6101, texting to (605)858-3107, or emailing at [jakeandchastity@gmail.com](mailto:jakeandchastity@gmail.com) and be sure to invite a friend.

Did you get that nasty storm Thursday evening? The wind was just howling here and we got just short of an inch of rain with some hail. Thankfully the hail didn't do any damage and we really needed the rain. Water was running everywhere, including inside our house when it came through the air conditioner, but it soaked in pretty fast and Olson Creek didn't even fill up! The wind was bad here, but not nearly as bad as it was in Buffalo with that 91mph wind! Hopefully it didn't do much damage.

Reub went back to our Horse Creek pasture to spray leafy spurge on Wednesday and again on Saturday, but that nasty weed just keeps coming up.

Pete and Donna Buer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Branding Iron Social Room in Belle Fourche Saturday afternoon but we weren't able to go down there to

help them celebrate because we didn't read about it in the Belle Fourche Beacon until Saturday afternoon. Congratulations to this really sweet couple!

We went down to Eric and Amanda Schuchard's Saturday evening for the graduation party for Jarett Schuchard and Will Mickelson, grandsons of Bev and Iver Heier. That was a really enjoyable evening.

There are lots of rodeos and fireworks coming up over the Independence Day celebrations this week.

I'll leave you with these 4th of July jokes:

\*The difference between a duck and George Washington is:

One has a bill on his face; the other has his face on a bill!

\*Why did Paul Revere ride his horse from Boston to Lexington?

Because the horse was too heavy to carry!

\*The Fourth of July weekend was approaching, and Miss Pelham, the nursery school teacher, took the opportunity to tell her class about patriotism. 'We live in a great country,' she announced. 'One of the things we should be happy is that, in this country, we are all free.'

Trevor, who was a little boy in her class, came walking up to her from the back of the room. He stood with his hands on his hips and said loudly, 'I'm not free. I'm four.'

## Then and Now in Newell

### "Looking Forward to our Past"

#### July 2, 1914

The Irrigator is indebted to Henry C. Wilson for a 5-pound pail of excellent honey. Mr. Wilson secured a ton and a half of honey from his bees last season and has disposed of all of it, except 50 pounds. There is no better honey made than that sold by Mr. Wilson. We understand he will sell hives complete for \$6.50. Everyone in this country should have a few swarms of bees.

Mr. Beals, from the Vale vicinity, was stung in the eye by a bee and was forced to secure medical attendance.

The directors of the Horse Creek School District No 9 met on Saturday to open Bids for their proposed new concrete school building. Only one bid was submitted and as the law requires at least 2, the Bid was returned unopened and the date for opening Bids was postponed until July 10th. The building of the Harmon School house on Willow Creek District No 9 was let to Jack Wickman.

danger; but boys are prone to take chances with a record of 3 boys drowned at the face of the dam in the past 12 months, it behooves parents to keep the youngsters away from the lake unless accompanied by grownups.

The Vale Farm Bureau is giving a free 4th of July picnic in the grove just north of Vale. The usual program of sports will take place. Everybody is invited to participate. There will be free lemon aid, but you must furnish your own firecrackers. Big dance in the evening at the Cal Woods barn.

#### June 28, 1934

Dr. O. H. Clark plans to leave on July 2nd, in company with 2 brothers, one from Wyoming and the other from Nebraska, for Chicago to visit a sister there and enjoy a family reunion. They expect to be away for a month. Dr. G. G. Robinson, of City Hospital, St Louis, will occupy Dr. Clark's office and residence during the

#### by Linda Velder

#### June 29, 1944

Mrs. John Moser, who recently sold her ranch near Hoover to Howard Sheridan and held a public sale of her property on Wednesday, left today for Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where she will spend some time with her sister, Mrs. Mike Kober.

PFC Palmer Albertson, who is now with the US Army forces in England, writes that he hasn't been around much since he arrived. No use going into town, as you can't buy anything in the line of food; so, if a soldier does go to town, he has to eat before he goes.

Mr. & Mrs. M. J. O'Brien were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Kirk Malcolm and sons. Jerry accompanied his grandfather George Malcolm to Sturgis on Monday afternoon and visited there until Wednesday morning when he returned home on the mail truck.

The Newell Post Office will advance to Second Class on July 1, 1944, according



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Skyroom of the Cove at 6:30 PM and all members or other interested parties are urged to attend.

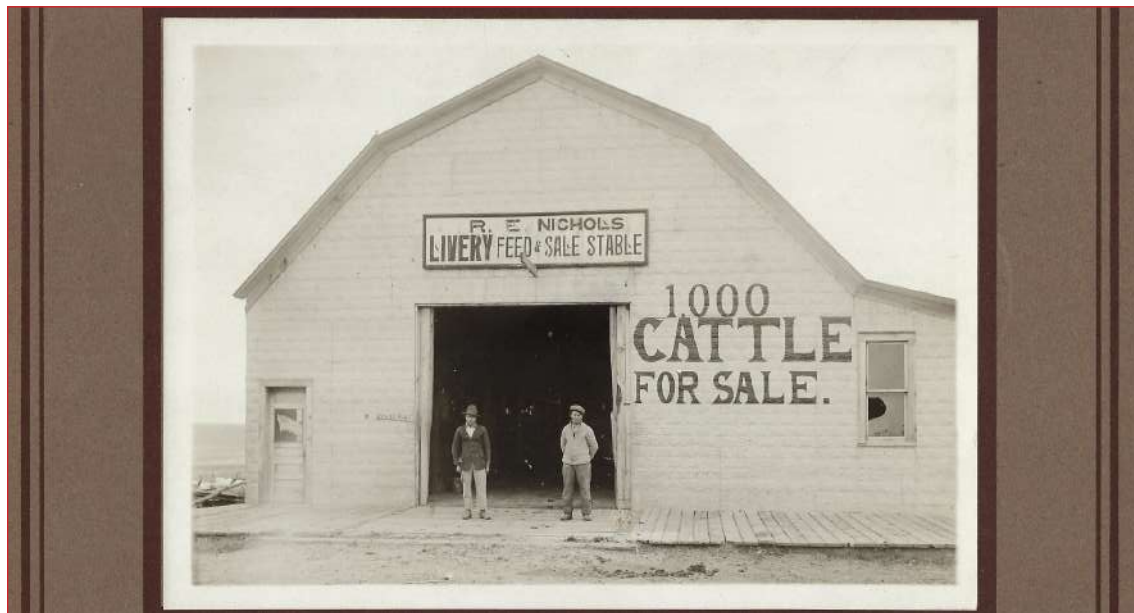
The first in a series of play days for children of the Newell Community will be held this Saturday, July 3 at the City Park under sponsorship of the Westerners Home Economics 4-H Club, leader Mildred Van derBoom announced. The hours for the supervised recreation have been set for from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and all children are welcome to join in the fun. The park is open for similar activities, on alternate days, according to Robert N. Price, Chairman of the Newell Community Club.

Mr. & Mrs. Tom DeGarlais and family moved over the weekend from an apartment in the Erdman Building to the Ireland residence which they recently purchased. Mr. & Mrs. Willim J. Clark have moved from the Lee Engle basement apartment to the apartment vacated by the DeGarlais family.

Janet Parson, daughter of Rev & Mrs. Horace Parsons of Placerville, has been dismissed from the Black Hills General Hospital in Rapid City where she had been suffering with an infection, the after-effects of the measles. David Parson is now a patient at the same Hospital. He also had the measles recently.

formation of such a group at a meeting with Attorney Harry Stephens of Belle Fourche at the Newell City Hall. Unanimously voted to incorporate for \$500,000 set for the construction of a building for an 8-lane bowling alley as its initial goal and elected as Chairman Lyn Gladstone and Secretary/Treasurer Bill Stoick as temporary officers. Ken Bernheise, Rapid City contractor also met with the group to give estimates on the cost of a modern block building sufficiently large enough for the alley with a coffee shop. The cost he estimated, would vary from \$30,000 to \$32,000, exclusive of the real estate.

A large one-story 25x70 foot building went through Newell yesterday morning, enroute to the Newell Municipal Golf Course, where it will be set on a foundation to become a new and additional attraction to the Newell Course. The former barracks building at Ellsworth Air force Base was purchased by the Golf Club from Loyal Barker, Sturgis, who moved it from that place and placed it on the foundation. The local club had already planned for the installation of plumbing and water to the building and expects to add heating, kitchen equipment and other improvements. With such improvements, the local club has more than doubled its membership so for this year.



R.E. Nichols Livery Stable. 1914. Pictured Rice Nichols on left and Harry Nichols on the right.

Newell Museum

#### June 25, 1924

The Stoneville vicinity was visited by a tornado on Friday, June 13th at 12:10 AM. The storm came from the northwest and while lasting but a few minutes did considerable damage. It blew down all the sheep sheds on the Van Sickle ranch, turning over their sheep wagon, etc. At the McConachie place it destroyed his blacksmith shop. On the next farm south, it tore up several large trees by the roots. The next place struck was the A. E. Jones ranch where it picked up a large barn, 32x36 feet and carried it off its foundation, smashing it into another building. The barn was a total loss.

The Reclamation Bureau has erected signs warning all persons to keep off the face of Orman Dam. This may help to deter some people from exposing themselves to the

month of July while the latter is away on a vacation.

Robbers broke into the J. E. Ireland Hardware Store at Sturgis Tuesday night and helped themselves to a stock of guns and rifled the safe of \$100 in cash, oil and government stocks, according to word reaching Newell. Entrance was made by breaking the glass in the front window.

Rice Edward Nichols, 62, a resident of Newell since 1910 passed away at his home here Saturday. In 1910, he and his family moved to Newell, where he started a livery barn which he conducted until 1920. He carried the Star Mail Route from Newell to Cedar Canyon and Newell to Stoneville from 1918 to 1922. In July 1922, he started a candy and soft drink parlor, which his sons, Harry and Roy, are still operating.

to notice received by Paul A. Wiest. The new Classification is a result of increased business during the past 5 years, has shown steady growth and the stamp sales amounting to \$9,522.84, which is the highest since 1930. There will be no change in the office personnel, C. M. Smith and Cora Anderson who will receive increases in salaries.

#### July 1, 1954

Fred McNally, meteorologist in charge of the Rapid City Federal Weather station, will be the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Newell Community Club next Tuesday evening. Secretary Art Jones announced this week, Mr. McNally will explain operation of the federal weather bureau and also answer questions relative to weather reports and forecasting. The meeting will be held in the



These are some of the first bee hives in Butte County. 1918. McIntire Honey Company, Fruitdale, SD

Newell Museum

#### June 25, 1964

Initial steps to further the progress of the Newell community were taken at a special meeting in Newell the past week, another meeting is set for Thursday evening July 2nd to perfect the organization of the proposed Newell Development Corporation. Approximately 20 persons are interested in the

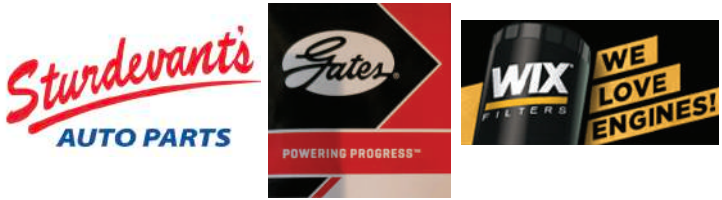
The Art Arpan's were Friday evening supper guests of Mr. & Mrs. Preston Turbiville and family. The Arpan's reciprocated and the Turbiville's were dinner guests the following Wednesday of the Arpan's and later they called at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Carl Hansen, and all enjoyed a good game of cards.

## Newell Service Center

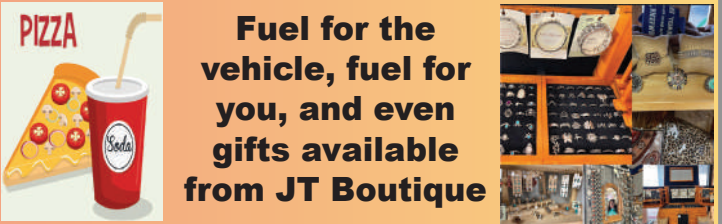
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## A Week of a Jungle Journey

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NEWELL-The Newell Christian Fellowship Church took a journey through the jungle as children from K-6 traveled from Genesis-the beginning to Revelation-the ending. Each day the children were introduced to a new "C"-Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and Consummation. The Bible was revealed in stories, colors, and animals.

The day began with songs and teachings on Missions and highlighting the animal of the day. The opening was followed by a story time and then it was off to games. Coming inside after the heat of outside was

welcome as the ladies of the church served refreshments and the Bible verse of the day was reviewed.

The final phase downstairs was craft time. Each craft highlighted the story and verse of the day.

Finally, everyone met upstairs to sing, dance, and learn more about missions.

On the final day, adults were invited to join in to see a special presentation by the children featuring what they had learned during the week. Nila Charles and Darla Dunn also gave a demonstration of folding the flag and the meaning behind every fold.

The morning ended with everyone singing "God Bless America".



Above: Hey! Hey! Hey! The kids at VBS this week had a great time singing songs. Photos by Betty Bruner  
Below: Nate, Harper, and Ava listen for the words.



July 4-Silly Scramble, Newell Golf Course, registration begins at 12:30 p.m.

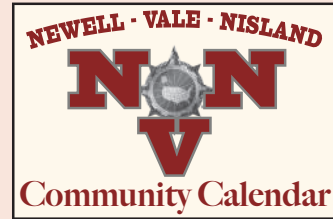
July 4, Fireworks-Newell Golf Course, beginning at Dusk

July 10, Newell Irrigator Booster Club, MPR Newell School, 7 p.m.

Story Time

1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 11-11:30 am Newell Library

NVN Food Bank Distribution-Feeding South Dakota-Every 2nd Thursday of each month at the corner of Girard and 2nd Street, at 1:30 p.m..



## Ready for Fireworks

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NEWELL-What could be better than enjoying great fireworks display close to home? The Newell Golf Course will have an outstanding display of fireworks beginning at dusk on July 4.

But fireworks will be the culmination of a day filled with fun and games with a Silly Scramble slated for the afternoon. Registration begins at 12:30 and tee off is set for 1 p.m. Manager Teresa Pittman invites everyone to join in. Indi-

viduals and teams can register. "We'll help put teams together if you aren't on one," she said.

The Newell Golf Course is

an enjoyable nine-hole course found west of Newell.

Join the crowd Thursday, July 4, and watch some spectacular fireworks! It'll be grand!



## High Plains Restaurant Holds Medical Benefit for Beloved "Miss Ruby"

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NEWELL—Last Wednesday, June 26, Newell's High Plains Restaurant & Bar called on the community to help support Ruby Oligmueller through her battle with cancer of the larynx. The restaurant hosted a medical benefit and silent auction for Ruby, whose unfortunate diagnosis was discovered less than one month ago. "Ruby's been working here for two years, and we came to love her. And we'll do anything to help her out," said Braidy

Nelson, who also works at the restaurant. "A lot of locals came. It's nice to know a lot of people love Ruby."

Donations for the silent auction were plentiful; Nelson said that she and Shelby Scheulke, who organized the event, expected to get two tables worth of items but ended up with four. Auction items ranged from intricate gift baskets to handmade goods and everything in between. Additionally, a free-will donation Goulash supper was served, and donations were accepted all day.

A social media poster describes Ruby as "a wonderful friend who has impacted so many just in the time she has blessed Newell with her friend-to-all demeanor and delicious treats." That is an apt description; despite her diagnosis, Ruby was all smiles with her grandchildren as they got ice cream during the supper.

As always, the NVN community showed up to support a fellow citizen in need. We will be thinking of Ruby and wish her the best as she undergoes treatment.



Ruby Oligmueller and her grandchildren, Stella and Finn, wait for ice cream as they attend the medical benefit fundraiser at the High Plains Restaurant & Bar on Wednesday. The event was hosted by the restaurant to help raise money for her cancer treatment. Heitz photo

# Jungle Journey Week

Photos by Betty Bruner



After she enjoyed her snack, Auryon recited her memory verse for the day and filled in her journal.

Below: Helpers Darla and Sue were on hand to fill plates and help with maps.



Above: Trying to build a tower of Babel with balloons. It wasn't as easy as it seemed. Below: Every day special crafts were made with the help of Annitta and Nila. Betty Bruner photo



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## Words of Wisdom from Dr. Pandi Pittman



The Science of Reading is an evidence-based approach to teaching reading that emphasizes the importance of understanding how the brain learns to read and how to apply this knowledge to reading instruction. Key principles of the Science of Reading include

phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, comprehension, explicit instruction, and structured literacy

Science of Reading provides a more effective and equitable approach to teaching reading, especially for struggling readers and students with dyslexia. Many educators and policymakers in South Dakota recognize the importance of the Science of Reading in literacy instruction, leading to changes in teacher preparation programs, curriculum development, and literacy initiatives in school districts.

During the 2024 South Dakota Legislative Session, six million dollars were allocated to provide training throughout the state to all educators. The goal in the allocation is to provide a strong basis in literacy to South Dakota students. Literacy is essential to motivate student success in school, work, and civic engagement. Scientifically based reading instruction can reduce reading failure to less than 1 in 10 students.

Newell staff are involved in the training opportunities South Dakota is providing for the implementation of Science of Reading. Fourteen staff attending the Regional Science of Reading training held in Rapid on April 12 and May 3, for an overall introduction. Staff will also take part in the training provided throughout the state that emphasizes specific grade levels.

Starting the school year with a reading assessment will be provided to elementary students that will allow staff to review needs and provide appropriate reading instruction. Student instruction and intervention will be determined according to skill needed and not grade level. Providing needed intervention will fill in the reading gaps that occur and develop consistent reading skills within each grade level.

Middle school students will receive reading interventions



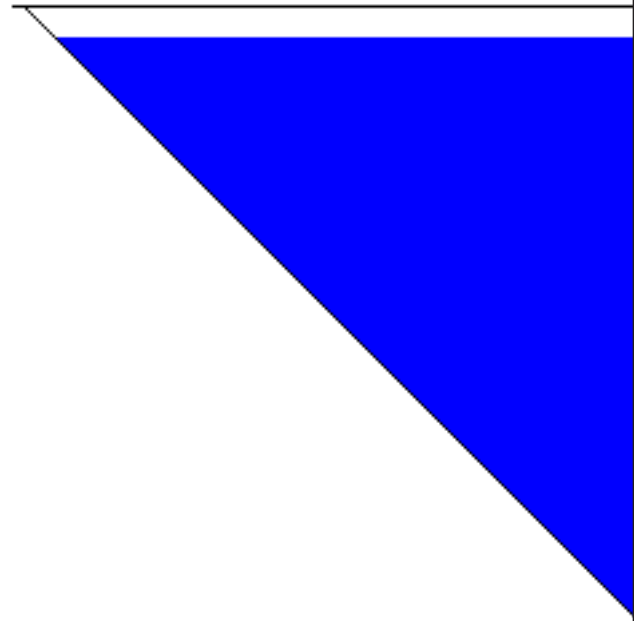
with a consistent reading block built into the schedule. Middle school students will take a reading assessment at the beginning of the school year just like elementary students. Students in grades 6-8 will be grouped according to reading needs, regardless of grade level.

Literacy is an important factor in the achievement of students as well as promoting a healthy educational environment. Students that are fluent readers have fewer behavior issues and more confidence in learning. Newell School District is dedicated to the advancement of student education and future learning opportunities.

## Current Data for Belle Fourche Reservoir

Flood	Active
2975.0	2975.0

FLOOD  
2975.0



**Daily Reservoir Data as of 06/28/2024**  
**Pool Elevation is 2972.8 Feet**  
**Reservoir Storage is 155461. Acre-Feet**  
**Reservoir Inflow is 248.1 CFS**  
**Reservoir Outflow is 480.0 CFS**  
**Reservoir is 89.9 % Full\***  
**Reservoir Flood Control Pool is filled 0.0 %**  
**Belle Fourche River Flow at State Line is 30.6 CFS**

## Storm Clouds Gather

